



Message from the President

Nick Bourke

Welcome to Sportscover Arena for the finale of the VAFA season, the A and B Section Grand Finals. Finals

are what players live for and already this year we have seen some wonderful examples of what finals bring out in young men. In A Section, Collegians, following a somewhat shock loss to St Bedes/Mentone Tigers dug deep and overcame Old Xavs, who the previous week staged a magnificent come from behind win over Old Scotch. Will St Bedes/Mentone Tigers become the only club to win consecutive C, B & A Section flags?

In B Section, Old Essendon can finally see the view that is A Section but now must focus against a Marcellin outfit that relishes the underdog status. Two District Clubs in front of a huge crowd at Trevor Barker Oval went head to head in C Section, with Ormond signaling to all that they are on the march. Another District Club on the march is Bulleen Templestowe, who prevailed in a classic encounter over Old Geelong in the D1 decider. The D2, D3, and D4 titles all headed west with Werribee and Williamstown winning the Seniors and Reserves in D2 and D3 respectively and West Brunswick finished off their stellar season in D4 with victory over our newest club St Francis Xavier.

Our U19 Sections continue to grow with two new sides competing in 2008 bringing 50 the number of teams in our 5 sections. The VAFA is proud to announce that in 2009, an U18 Section will commence which we believe will assist both District Clubs and Catholic Colleges who play mid week, with a continuous run between juniors and school teams through to their Senior or Old Boys Club. Congratulations to St Bedes/Mentone Tigers (U19 Premier), Old Trinity (U19 North 1), Beaumaris (U19 South 1), Aquinas (U19 North 2) and De La Salle (U19 South 2) on their premiership victories. We look forward to seeing some of these young players competing in senior grand finals in the not too distant future.

Again we are being approached by numerous clubs in other competitions to participate in the VAFA and it's easy to see why. I've said this numerous times before but it is worthwhile reiterating especially in light of recent events both in and outside of the VAFA and on the streets of Melbourne. The main reason why cubs knock on our door

continually wanting to be part of our community is because of our 2 main points of difference:-

1. Our strict adherence to an Amateur code that encompass our young men to participate for pure recreation. For next season we'll again ask the key members of each club to swear affidavits to ensure these remain in place and is not compromised. Make no mistake we are under siege from other clubs who see our young elite as vulnerable to the dollar. On the field today there are a number of players who no doubt will receive overtures from District or Country Clubs outside our Association. Sometimes it can be difficult to make them understand that staying at your club and building up contacts and credibility will serve you far better going forward than will a few hundred each week at a club where you don't and never will feel 'at home'. It not easy but we must continue to strive to retain our better players to maintain the standing of our competition.
2. Our non-drinking policy, which as times goes by, serves us better and better. Unfortunately finals times see numerous newcomers to our games who don't know or fail to understand why such a rule is in place. Some well worded memos and editorials from our CEO in recent weeks has highlighted why it is so important to uphold this rule – again especially in light of recent events.

A well mooted move away from Elsternwick Park has been on the agenda for some time and it is no secret now that we are in discussions with the AFL and the MOPT to relocate to Olympic Park when the running track is transferred to South Melbourne and replaced by an AFL sized ground. This is an ongoing process that if successful will see us adopt this new ground as our marquee venue from 2011 onwards.

As we draw the curtain on our 107th finals series I'm confident under the Chairmanship of Bruno Conti and the day to day running of our association by Michael Sholly that we are moving forward in the right direction.

But it is you the clubs and the volunteers who are the backbone of our Association, the ones who must continue to find the strength and support to ensure you remain viable in a tough economic climate.

Congratulations to all 2008 Premiers and all the best to this weekend's Grand Finalists.

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A SECTION

by Jonathan Horne



UPSTARTS TAKE ON THE ARISTOCRATS

As the oldest and one of the most successful clubs in the amateurs, Collegians were seemingly on the skids not that long ago. The club was in C Section, the school team weren't worth a cracker and things were looking bleak. So how is it that they're running around today in an A Section grand final?

Perhaps more than anything, they had a core group of senior players in that C Section side who didn't jump ship, chase the coin, or simply give it away. Some of those guys, like Jono Dixon, Cam Unsworth, Brock Mooney and Shura Taft, are among the key players running around today. Most of them lead pretty busy lives where it must be hard to fit in commitments to the footy club but they have been consummate clubmen nonetheless.

Another key factor has been the acquisition of several key old boys from Wesley College who didn't quite nail a career in the AFL. Nick Ries, Nick Stone and Fergus Watts were all earmarked for long and lucrative careers and for various reasons, it didn't happen. Usually blokes like that finish up, maybe run around in the SANFL for a couple of years and then a local comp, before putting the queue in the rack in their late twenties. It says a lot about the Collegians footy club that they all came home and have dominated thus far in the amateurs.

If this is the first game you've seen this year and you've reading this, you could be thinking that they'll be nigh on unbeatable. Au contraire – the crosses

against the Lions are significant. The mighty St Bede's/Mentone Tigers have rolled them twice this year at league headquarters. One was on a rotten old Melbourne day, when it teemed with rain for four quarters and the players splashed around in a game that really showed that the Tigers love a scrap. And then in the second semi, unfancied by many, they played shrewd, calculated and passionate football to earn a grand final berth. Suffice to say, they will run out on Sunday with no fear of Collegians...even less so if they didn't venture to Sportscover Arena as spectators last Sunday, when Collegians clicked into gear against a Xaverian team which seemed to have a mortgage on this year's grand final.

If Collegians are the elder statesmen of amateur football, then St Bede's/Mentone are the Generation Y upstarts, determined to shake up the status quo and make their own history. Looking at the way their club is structured and has functioned over the past decade or so, it's impossible to envisage them not being an A Section powerhouse for years to come. Right from their Auskick program on, the club is remarkable for retaining players, attracting solid support and winning premierships. They enjoy the combined benefits of an old boys club (good networks, good facilities, good breeding ground) with those of a district club (good community involvement, social club and crowd numbers). They

lose remarkably few players to cash playing competitions and there is a sense of pride at the club virtually unmatched in the amateurs. They know that if they win this, their effort of three premierships, in three grades, in three years, will be one of the more extraordinary efforts in local football history.

Someone mentioned on vote count night (congratulations to Jack Watts, a very worthy winner) that if you were framing a market on this game, it'd be a 1.90 apiece, even-money ball game. Spot on. But if ever you'd have a crack at an even money pop, it'd be Collegians. On their day, they have proved themselves to be the premier team in the competition and anyone who saw them last Sunday would have been fishing for odds. The two most impressive performances I have seen this year were Collegians' win last Sunday and their thrashing of the Tigers earlier in the year. I made one monumental stuff up with grand final selections in 2005 but have hit the money in all the others. I'm pretty confident about this one – Collegians by four goals.

TODAY'S A SECTION MATCHES

A SECTION Grand Final

St Bedes/Mentone Tigers v Collegians
Sunday at 2.15pm Sportscover Arena

A SECTION RESERVE Grand Final

Uni Blues v Old Xaverians
Sunday at 11.30am Sportscover Arena

MILESTONES

200 games at Uni Blues

Uni Blues would like to congratulate **Tom Hutchins** on reaching the **200 game** milestone in this years C18 Grand Final. **Tom's** footy career with Blues commenced in 2002 in the U19s. He was a key player in Blues resurgence from B Grade in '94, and was full back in Blues '95 A Grade Grand final team.

Tom returned to Blues after 3 years overseas and was captain of Blues Reserves champion team in 2004. Tom has been on the committee at Blues since 2002, including 3years as Treasurer and 2 as Vice President, and has been a driving force behind evolution of the clubs major fundraiser. **Tom** is a life member of the MUFC. His five goal performances in the 2nd semi and Grand final were crucial to the C18 team's premiership and a fitting finale to a fantastic playing career. Everyone at Blues would like to congratulate **Tom** on a job well done.

LAST ROUND'S RESULTS – A

PRELIMINARY FINALS

A SECTION

COLLEGIANS	2.3	8.5	14.10	16.15 (111)
OLD XAVERIANS	2.4	4.7	6.11	7.12 (54)
COLLEGIANS: Goals: F. Watts 5, S. Taft 3, J. Dixon 2, D. Adkins 2, A. Baxter, C. Blumfield, A. Scott, K. Cevik. Best: J. Dixon, D. Adkins, N. Roach, J. Fry, A. Baxter, A. Stone				
OLD XAVS: Goals: T. Clarke 3, J. Arnold, M. Handley, A. Ryan, D. Lloyd. Best: A. Chatfield, T. Clarke, S. Johnston, J. Douglas, J. Scanlan, A. Ryan				
Umpires: Rebecca Brown Ben Connor Russell Davidson Clayton Evans Chris Kearney Cameron Nash				

A SECTION RESERVE






OLD XAVERIANS	4.2	8.4	11.6	15.12 (102)
OLD BRIGHTON	2.0	4.1	4.2	6.2 (38)
OLD XAVS: Goals: C. Smith 4, N. Corcoran 3, D. Rush 3, J. Glen 2, J. McDonnell 2, C. Larkins. Best: S. Distefano, C. Larkins, H. Murphy, L. Harry, R. Harbeck, C. Santalucia				
OLD BRIGHTON: Goals: M. Dewar 2, T. Zantuck 2, D. Jennings, J. Priestley. Best: J. Edge, R. Stewart, A. Vandendungen, M. Dewar, D. Jennings, A. Kennedy				
Umpires: Peter Cahill David Hindle Alistair Kyrkou Mervyn Monty William Stokes Thomas Wischer				







A SECTION TEAM OF THE YEAR 2008

B: Evan Byrne (OI)	Andrew Bowen (OX)	Richard Eva (Scotch)
HB: Nick Serafini (OX)	Nick Stone (Coll)	Andrew Baxter (Coll)
C: Sam Anstey (SBMT)	Damian Adkins (Coll)	Aaron Shields (DLS)
HF: Andrew McGuinness (OB)	Jack Watts (UB)	Tim Clarke (OX)
F: Adam Houlihan (OS)	Fergus Watts (Coll)	Luke Wintle (STMT)
Fol: Hayden Heta (OI)	Mark Patterson (UB)	Nick Ries (Coll)
Inter: Peter McGettigan (SBMT), David Lowe (DLS), Jono Dixon (Coll), Jon Perrett (OB)		



Fergus Watts

<div>  <div> A SECTION SENIORS GRAND FINAL ST BEDES/MENTONE TIGERS V COLLEGIANS </div>  </div>				
Coach: Luke Beveridge Asst Coach: Tim Lamb Runner: Steve Bregazzi		Coach: Andrew Kenneally Assist. Coach: Dennis Castaldi & Nick Hart		
	G	B		G B
1	P. Wintle		1	J. Dixon (V.C)
2	L. Wintle (C)		2	T. Bull
3	S. Anstey (VC)		3	B. Mooney
4	B. Phibbs		4	N. Ries
5	B. Collins		5	C. Robbins
6	J. Kane		6	D. Adkins
7	A. Scafidi		7	S. Taft
8	A. Scafidi		8	C. Unsworth
9	C. Richards		9	J. Fry
10	S. Richards		10	J. Jorgensen
11	S. Hecker		11	D. Strachan
12	P. Groves		12	T. Rutherford
14	M. Hazell		13	K. Cevik
15	D. Poynton		14	F. Watts (VC)
16	R. Power		15	C. Holst
17	N. Corda		16	A. Baxter
21	J. Tyquin		17	R. Hosking
22	J. Maddocks		18	T. Zimbachs
24	J. Hellier		19	S. Inglis
25	D. Porter		20	A. Fletcher
29	D. Waters		21	C. Harris
38	D. Kinsella		22	H.Apted
43	C. Mouritz		23	W. Tardif
54	M. Wintle		25	J.Kondarovskis
64	P. McGettigan		29	N. Stone
67	P. Nicholls		30	A. Scott
70	L. Terrell		31	N. Roach
			32	C. Blumfield (C)
			34	R. Reynolds
			35	M. Lynch
			40	J.Parsons
			42	S. Arnett
			43	E. Malone
			44	B. Robbins
			45	A. Stone
			52	M. Naylor
			53	S. Skurrie
<div> <div> Mortgage Results Batman Couriers Bendigo Bank Ifco Hlre Doyles Bridge Hotel Sciclunas Mentone </div> <div>   South Melbourne </div> <div>  Coynes Freight Management Group </div> </div>				
Sunday at 2.15pm Sportscover Arena				
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<div>  <div> A SECTION RESERVES GRAND FINAL UNI BLUES V OLD XAVERIANS </div>  </div>				
Coach: Damien Guengerich		Coach: Theo Vlahos		
	G	B		G B
1	M Maltmann		2	C. Santalucia
4	S Gilbertson		3	J. Pasceri
7	P O'Connell		4	J. A. McDonnell
10	E Wilkinson		5	D. Rush
14	A Henderson		16	C. Smith
18	B Mugavin		19	D. Walsh
22	B Millard		24	A. Jones
26	E Hamer		25	L. Harry
30	D Brady		26	C. Larkins
31	J Van de Pol		27	L. Ginnivan
37	M Kelly		28	J. P. McDonnell
38	D Carmody		32	O. Gidley
40	P Smith		33	A. Ryan
41	T Stainforth		35	S. Langdon
42	A Suvoltos		37	N. Dimmatina
43	B Merriman		38	M. Scanlan
44	J Wood		40	D. Higgins
45	T McCredie		42	N. Corcoran
53	A Dillon		44	H. Murphy
58	J Kiteley		45	J. Glen
60	B Laidlaw		46	S. Skidmore
61	J Ward		48	S. Distefano
64	W Sadler		49	T. Dynon
66	D Hayter		50	F. Patterson
67	N Hardie-Grant		52	T. Grigg
68	D Gregory		55	A. Ross
69	N Burchell		57	R. Harbeck
71	A Stewart		58	A. Torre
73	R Wilson		62	P. Myers
			63	T. O'Meara
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www.uniblues.com				
<div>  THE BUILDERS' CHOICE  HARRIS FREER TOYOTA </div>				
Sunday at 11.30am Sportscover Arena				
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UB				
OX				



St BEDES MENTONE TIGERS

1 Paul Wintle: Age 28, High marking, attacking CHB who is often used around the ground. Duel Premiership Player. 181 VAFA games. 172 goals.

2 Luke Wintle: Age 29, Duel Premiership Player in his eighth season as club captain. Plays ruck / forward. Strong overhead mark and a player who leads from the front. Teacher at St Bedes College. 206 VAFA games. 291 goals.

3 Sam Anstey: Age 27, Tigers leading vote winner in 2008. Joined from VFL club Frankston. State player 2007&8. Teacher at St Bedes College. Duel Premiership Player. 50 VAFA games. 35 goals.

4 Ben Phibbs: Age 27, Smart forward who kicked 70 goals in 2007 B Section Premiership season. Returned mid season from injury and is back to his best. 29 VAFA games. 78 goals.

5 Brett Collins: Age 19, Creative wingman / forward. 2006&8 VAFA U19 State player. Played 2006 C Section Premiership side before being rookie at Hawthorn. 36 VAFA games. 69 goals. 259 club games.

6 Jonathan Kane: Age 25, Outstanding defender who missed late 06 and most of 07 with injury. Now settle back into the side and has been rock solid in defence. 63 VAFA games. 31 goals. 183 club games.

7 Anthony Scafi: Age 27, Duel Premiership Player. Consistent, hard working defender who remains cool under pressure. 60 VAFA games. 18 goals.

8 Andrew Scafi: Age 25, Duel Premiership Player. Pocket rocket half forward / onballer. One of the most excitement machines from the Tiges. 116 VAFA games. 158 goals. 134 club games.

9 Chris Richards: Age 19, 2008 State U19 Player. Dynamic onballer who debuted in 2007 when not playing at Sandringham VFL. Has courage, pace and evasive skills to burn. 33 VAFA games. 26 goals.

10 Simon Richards: Age 19, Spent 2007 on the injury list at Sandringham VFL. Another dynamic onballer who also has the ability to play forward or back. 31 VAFA games. 25 goals.

11 Sam Hecker: Age 33, A strong marking key forward who kicked five in last year's B Section Grand Final win. 250 VAFA games. 369 goals.

12 Paul Groves: Age 27, VAFA State wingman. Dashing, goal kicking wingman. Duel Premiership Player. 74 VAFA games. 75 goals.

14 Michael Hazell: Age 34, Courageous, ball winning, utility player who joined the Tigers this year after an illustrious career with Old Melbournians and a coaching stint with St Marys Salesians. 13 club. 9 goals.

15 Daniel Poynton: Age 27, Spent the past three years in Qld after helping the club to 2002 C Section Grand Final and promotion. Named as QFL Fullback of The Year 2007. Strong bodied player who is good over head

and uses the ball well. 52 VAFA games. 42 goals.

16 Ryan Power: Age 26, Powerful full forward / ruckman who joined the club this season after a year overseas. Has been a focal 14 VAFA games. 14 goals.

17 Nicholas Corda: Age 27, Duel Premiership Player. Talented key position backline player who has the ability to play short or tall.. 102 VAFA games. 12 goals.

21 James Tyquin: Age 22, 2006 Premiership Player who spent 2007 in Qld working. Tenacious left footer utility who plays off half back or midfield. 89 VAFA games. 74 goals. 252 club games.

22 Jamie Maddocks: Age 23, VAFA State Player and 07 Premiership player. Awarded best afield in the this years U23 Rep game. Attacking Half Back Flanker. 74 VAFA games. 28 goals..

24 Jack Hellier: Age 20, 2008 VAFA State U19 Captain. 2007 Premiership Player. Half back/Utility with silky skills. 31 VAFA games. 18 goals.

25 Dean Porter: Age 22, Ruckman / defender who was a major part of the 2006 campaign before injury. Spent 2007 overseas and since has return has been a key player for the Tiges. 79 VAFA games. 42 goals. 159 club games.

29 Damien Waters: Age 23, 07 Premiership Player. Courageous rover with an electrifying burst of speed. 02 U19 Premiership captain. 119 VAFA games. 45 goals. 242 club games.

38 David Kinsella: Age 32, 2007 Premiership Player. A wily veteran who is plays a tough, uncompromising brand of football. 134 VAFA games. 80 goals.

43 Chris Mouritz: Age 20, 2007 VAFA U19 State Player Strong mark, hard at it 186cm forward. 2007 B Section Premiership player. 66 VAFA games. 61 goals. 127 club games.

54 Michael Wintle: Age 26, Won the 2006 Ritterman Medal in the premiership win before spending 07 / part 08 overseas. Returned mid season and added another running midfield player to the side. 136 VAFA games. 119 goals.

64 Peter McGettigan: Age 21, Played TAC and a handful of games in 06&07 for the Tiges as a 17 year old whilst playing Sandringham TAC and VFL. Key position forward who is often played as a utility by Luke Beveridge. 26 VAFA games. 63 goals.

67 Patrick Nicholls: Age 18, Started season in U19 Premier side this season. After 19 goals in a handful of matches Pat was promoted to the seniors and has had a number of outstanding performances. Plays forward. 19 VAFA games. 45 goals.

70 Luke Terrell: Age 25, Duel Premiership Player. Diminutive forward / onballer with a tremendous leap. Missed most of season with leg injury. 119 VAFA games. 261 goals.

COLLEGIANS PLAYER PENPICKS



JONO DIXON 1
Strong CHF who is a great mark, and runs all day

BROCK MOONEY 3
Ever reliable Backman who is rarely beat in one on one's

NICHOLAS RIES 4
Ex Hawthorn midfielder who gets the hardball and strong mark for his size

CRAIG ROBBINS 5
Strong, tough onballer who is at the bottom of packs, great tackler

DAMIAN ADKINS 6
Ex West Coast & Collingwood, fast midfielder with a penetrating long kick

SHURA TAFT 7
Dangerous lively forward who is an accurate kick at goal

CAM UNSWORTH 8
Strong onballer who loves a contest and great tackler

JAMES FRY 9
Running wingman, half back who always find space

JAMES JORGENSEN 10
Mobile ruckman who covers the ground well and marks well around the ground

DANIEL STRACHAN 11
Half back, wingman who uses the ball well to teams advantage

TRENT RUTHERFORD 12
Back up ruckman who can push forward and kick goals

KIVANC CEVIK 13
Fast dangerous small forward with good defensive skills

FERGUS WATTS 14
Ex Adelaide & St Kilda powerhouse full forward Competition leading goal kicker

CHARLIE HOLST 15
Tall marking backman who uses the ball well going forward

ANDREW BAXTER 16
Classy running half back who sets up play from the backline

RICHARD HOSKING 17
Ever reliable half backline player who sets up play well

ANDREW FLETCHER 20
Versatile player who can do a number of different jobs for the team

CLINT HARRIS 21
Courageous backman who always puts his body on the line for the team

HUGH APTED 22
Young fast winger who knows how to win the ball

JAMES KONDAROVSKIS 25
Young midfielder who can run all day

NICK STONE 29
Ex St Kilda, defender or onballer who reads the play well and is an on field general

ANDREW SCOTT 30
Strong running onballer, courageous,

NICHOLAS ROACH 31
Reliable backman who does great stopping jobs on opposition

CHRIS BLUMFIELD 32
Captain, great onballer who is a terrific mark for his size

MYLES LYNCH 35
Half Forward, midfielder who will always put his body on the line

JACK PARSONS 40
Young player will develop into good forward, midfielder

SIMON ARNOTT 42
Ex Sydney, Geelong forward, who always knows where the ball is and uses it well

ED MALONE 43
Strong tough defender who loves a contest

BEN ROBBINS 44
Ex Brisbane, Kangaroos onballer who handball sets up the play from the middle

ANDREW STONE 45
Great running player with the power to run with opposition players



B SECTION

by Matt Cosgriff



Grand Final Day. The ultimate time of the season when all that training in the pre season heat and the sub zero winter, months of exhaustion and physicality, injuries, hundreds of kilometres in travelling and sore Sunday mornings all of a sudden become worth it.

I made mention last week that Marcellin had made a goose out of me – make that a turkey! Congratulations to the Eagles, who are now on their way to A grade in 2009. Retaining and recruiting key players is vital to the competitiveness of the club next year, but before you can build an empire you need to lay a foundation which the club has achieved. With some very promising Marcellin players in the under 19's this season, the future looks very exciting ahead for the Eagles.

With an extremely strong wind blowing to one end in the preliminary final, Marcellin looked strong after winning the toss and using the advantage to lead by seven goals at the first change. St Bernard's could not register their first score until the second quarter as the Doggies had the wind, but Marcellin withheld them to only two goals and managed to score a goal themselves against the elements. From then on it was always going to be tough for St Bernard's to find the winning way to the match as Marcellin continued to control the match in the blustery conditions and by the last change the eight goal lead to the Eagles looked well and truly enough for victory. The double chance in the finals could not help St Bernard's and despite using the wind in the last quarter and outscoring Marcellin, the siren sounded and the Eagles were on their way to a Grand Final and A grade. **Jake Symes** who held **Callan Potter** to only one goal for the game was best afield as **Jonathan Bortolotto** was strong around the sticks for Marcellin. **Jesse Creasey** up from the reserves was the main goal kicker for St Bernard's whilst wingman **Tommy Caven** was exceptional in a losing side.

Meanwhile in the reserves preliminary final, in a bizarre set of circumstances St Bernard's won their first seventeen matches of the season in B reserve grade and then lost the following three matches to miss out on a Grand Final berth. Like the seniors, St Bernard's struggled to fire early as St Kevin's applied the pressure early on and maintained the superiority throughout the second quarter to lead by four goals at the main change. Only adding three behinds to their half time score, St Bernard's continued to fight back but at the last change they still needed to pull out a massive last quarter for victory. St Bernard's then amazingly kicked

a staggering four goals and thirteen behinds in the last quarter as St Kevin's were out of tickets but held on. Winning by just four points, St Kevin's advanced to the Grand Final.

GRAND FINAL RESERVES:

This is a fantastic game to kick off the day as the OEG football club look to secure the first leg of the Grand Final double. On both occasions this year St Kevin's have been unable to defeat OEG, but the last time they met in round thirteen OEG were only successful by a single goal. Both teams leading into this match have withstood late challengers from their opponents and St Kevin's get a chance to salvage something for the club in what has been a disappointing finish for the season with the senior group.

Anyway in a nut shell, I think that the OEG will get away from St Kevin's late in the third quarter and extend on that in the last quarter to win the reserves Grand Final by 26 points.

GRAND FINAL SENIORS:

And then there were two. Surprisingly both teams have not played each other since round ten three months ago and it is fair to say that there has been a lot of water under the bridge since then. From the OEG point of view, which has been the case for the majority of the season, they have been the victor in both times they have met by eleven points in round one and a convincing fifty nine points in round ten. Last week was proof that looking back on distant history is usually outdated, but the consistency of the number of goal kickers of the OEG unit and the scary scores they have posted throughout the year is one statistic that is not.

Nobody can deny the power of the OEG team, so how can Marcellin win this Grand Final? The first thought that comes to mind is the scoring power of OEG. Coming into this match all Eagle forwards must be ready to play the game of their lives and maintain current form to continue taking shots at the sticks as their opponent is extremely dominant in this department. Like last week when they jumped St Bernard's from the outset, they must repeat that again

here today as they need to continually to apply pressure to OEG. Tempo control is paramount for Marcellin as they need to ensure that they stabilize any OEG ascendancy, maximise on all forward ball movement and kick straight at the sticks. It has been the 'nothing to lose' attitude lately from Marcellin that has seen them get to this point. Once again today if Marcellin can throw the book at OEG early, combined with all of the above we might witness a surprise that nobody saw coming. Marcellin has proven me wrong that many times this season; could they do it one more time?

As for OEG there is nothing to comment except for the bleeding obvious that they are one impressive outfit that in the finals series have kicked sensational scores and proved far too good. **The Biggs** duo, classic Condos, unstoppable Skurrie, sensational Baddeley and continual match winners all over the park, they look to have every department in this game sown up on paper. Grand Finals throw rough results on the odd occasion, but I am tipping a big win coming up for the Old Essendon Grammarians Football Club to the tune of 64 points and take out the premiership double.

In closing for the year I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate the VAFA on another sensational season and to all clubs, players, coaches, officials, umpires, volunteers and supporters as you all deserve a massive round of applause. Answering the call from **Mike Sholly** to leave the Under 19's Premier Division and come to B grade has been my pleasure to make your afternoon twice as enjoyable - or twice as painful. Either way it has been an honour to help out the VAFA who taught me football from a young age, gave me a weekend past time growing up that kept me out of trouble and gave me the opportunity to play the great game of Aussie Rules. I encourage all past players to assist the VAFA in any way possible like umpiring, scribing, etc. in the future to keep this marvellous football association going for the next generation coming through.

Enjoy the Grand Final.

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TODAY'S B SECTION MATCHES	
B SECTION Grand Final	Old Essendon v Marcellin Saturday at 2.15pm Sportscover Arena
B SECTION RESERVE Grand Final	Old Essendon v St Kevins Saturday at 11.30am Sportscover Arena

LAST ROUND'S RESULTS – B

SECOND SEMI FINALS

B SECTION

ST BERNARDS	0.0	2.3	2.6	6.13 (49)
MARCELLIN	6.6	7.7	9.12	11.15 (81)
ST BERNARDS: Goals: J. Creasey 2, C. Mitchell, T. Overman, C. Potter, C. Spinella. Best: T. Caven, C. Spinella, J. Creasey, D. Blunt, A. Maggiore, T. Overman				
MARCELLIN: Goals: J. Bortolotto 2, J. Winstanley 2, S. Abrahams, M. Bortolotto, L. Considine, C. MacLaren, D. Marson, T. Montagna, J. Carlson. Best: J. Symes, M. Bortolotto, J. Carlson, S. Considine, S. Theisz, D. Jarred				
Umpires: Tim Sutcliffe James Scully Kevin Segota Ryan Morris Luke Holmes Bernie Hoare				




B SECTION RESERVE




ST BERNARDS	1.2	4.5	4.8	8.21 (69)
ST KEVINS	4.3	8.5	9.12	10.13 (73)
ST BERNARDS: Goals: C. Davis 2, M. Juricskay 2, P. Harris, P. Holland, J. Madden, S. Chattfield. Best: M. Juricskay, J. Madden, A. Matthews, T. Christie, S. Mitchell, M. Kavanagh				
ST KEVINS: Goals: M. Mazzarella 3, S. Conlan 2, P. Murray, S. O'Connor, J. O'Rourke, L. Griffiths, P. Glenane. Best: S. O'Connor, R. Caldwell, P. Glenane, K. McInerney, A. Grant, P. Aughton				
Umpires: Damien Anthony Nick Fennessy Nick Kenna Patrick Newson Frank Stokes Thomas Windlow				

M I MILESTONES E S

Marcellin Old Collegians Football Club would like to congratulate **Daryl Marson** (200 games) and **Matthew Bortolotto** (100 games) who both reach significant milestones with the club in the B Section Grand Final this weekend. 'Marso' epitomises the Eagle spirit, he is courageous and team focused and has had to overcome some horrific injuries over the years. A typical small forward, he doesn't mind the odd goal or two as well. He started at Marcellin in 1997 and in 1998 won the U19 Best & Fairest (as Captain) as well as playing in the Senior B Section premiership in the same season. He was a member of the club's inaugural A section premiership team in 2001. 'Bort's started with the Eagles in 2003. He has developed into one of the competition's elite defenders and can just as easily be moved into the midfield or up forward if required. Matty is a highly skilled courageous player and a terrific reader of the play. He sets a fine example on the field and he has enjoyed an outstanding season as Co-Captain of the senior side this year. The Marcellin committee, players and supporters would like to thank **Daryl** and **Matthew** for their contributions over the years and we wish him all the best for this Saturday and the future.

Old Essendon congratulates **Tom Wilson** who plays his 100th game this week. A strong tough straight ahead type player has been a key member of our backline for many years. A Premiership player with our U/19's in 2002 we look forward to the "Sculpture" playing many more games for the Grammar.

<div>  <div> B SECTION SENIORS GRAND FINAL OLD ESSENDON V MARCELLIN </div>  </div>				
Coach: Adam Edwards & Rodney Callaghan Res Coach: Nick Condos		Coach: Murray Browne Assist. Coaches: Damien Taylor, Glenn Cox		
G	B	G	B	
1 D. Biggs		1 M Bortolotto		
2 C. Goullet		2 J Carlson		
3 D. Forrest		3 C McLaren		
4 D. Ryan		4 P Augustin		
5 S. de Morton		5 S Considine		
6 A. Frazer		9 L Considine		
7 J. Leask		10 T Stafford		
8 L. Teal		11 T Montagna		
10 T. Biggs		12 P Spence		
11 H. Wilson		15 J Bortolotto		
12 J. Kavanagh		16 S Abrahams		
14 D. Cerantonio		18 D Gartner		
15 J. Rodgers		19 J Crapper		
16 C Day		22 D Marson		
17 S. Townner		23 D Fraser		
18 D. Cooper		24 T Carlson		
19 T. Wilson		25 J Winstanley		
20 R. Baddeley		26 S Connell		
21 B. Clifton		27 S Theisz		
22 J. Saville		33 J Symes		
23 T. Skurrie		34 D Jarred		
25 B. Jones		36 R Tabacchiera		
27 J. Condos		39 B Colville		
28 J. Williams		53 D Kayrooz		
31 T. Legudi		54 T Jones		
35 C. Sharp		57 D Cullinan		
38 S. Drysdale		99 G Romanin		
40 C. Classford				
42 N. Bartram				
43 J. Dazkiw				
				
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<div>  <div> B SECTION RESERVES GRAND FINAL OLD ESSENDON V ST KEVINS </div>  </div>				
Coach: Adam Edwards & Rodney Callaghan Res Coach: Nick Condos		Coach: John Le Grand		
G	B	G	B	
5 S. de Morton		2 M Mulgrew		
6 A. Frazer		8 B Hughes		
9 W. Kelly		17 S O'Conner		
10 M. Schappacher		18 J Liston		
12 J. Kavanagh		21 R Maguire		
13 R. Jones		22 S Mount		
14 D. Cerantonio		24 D Sullivan		
15 J. Rodgers		25 R Arnott		
17 J. Saunders		26 J O'Keefe		
18 S. Dawson		27 P Aughton		
20 L. Fitzgerald		28 W McCann		
21 S. Dale		29 D Gibbs		
22 M. Portia		30 S O'Conner		
23 S. Cail		32 J O'Rourke		
24 J. Dazkiw		33 M Maguire		
25 B. Jones		36 L Griffiths		
26 C. Ward		37 M Shannon		
27 A. McKenzie		38 M Mazzarella		
28 S. Drysdale		42 P Murray		
29 A. Bell		43 R Caldow		
30 C. Innes		44 S Sexton		
33 M. Williams		45 S Conlan		
34 D. Podger		47 T Dixon		
36 C. Oblubek		50 D Makohon		
38 T. Campbell		53 J Mullen		
40 T. Di Blasi		58 A Dole		
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45 D. Bryant		66 P Longmore		
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C SECTION: ORMOND v HAMPTON ROVERS





Barney's boys brilliant as Rovers fail to rally

Such a pulsating season of C section footy demanded a tense and tight climax, but sadly no-one sent the script through to the lads from the E.E. Gunn Reserve last Saturday. This was a grand occasion, in front of a pretty tidy crowd of roughly 2,500, which called for a grand performance. The Rovers had worked tirelessly to turn their form slump around, and one couldn't help but think they'd played their own grand final of sorts in knocking off Oakleigh the week before.

An easy win to the Ormond reserves was a precursor to the main attraction, and the Monders' lads sat down with their medals to enjoy the most delightful post-match they could have possibly imagined!! The weatherman chose to pump out a solid 35 knot gale from the Brighton Beach end, stream across to the yacht club (darling!). This meant the team who had first use of the breeze (which was the Rovers) needed to settle early and get cracking.

To their credit, it was the Monders who battled their butts off early, led by Brad Cromack (in an effective

shut-down job on Matty Lawrence) and the ever reliable Simon Keleher, who was doing a more than passable impression of Luke Hodge in marshalling the Monders' back half. Only a goal lead at the first change was scant reward for the Rovers, and the boys in brown and blue knew they had a great chance to take a stranglehold of the contest. With the Jones/McConville ruck duo giving good service to the onball brigade, Matty Robbins stood up (as you would expect in such an important game) and snagged 3 of the 4 goals for the quarter. If not for some trouble with conversion in the tricky wind, one couldn't help but think Ormond could've sewn things up at the main break. The young fella Tim Allan bobbed up out of the cornflakes and was everywhere for his side, whilst Luke Duthie enjoyed intercepting several Rover forays and running the ball back with much aplomb.



C SECTION PREMIERS ORMOND

The main break was a chance to take stock and, for the Rovers particularly, try to find a workable plan B, or even C. The problem for the Rovers was their lack of midfield drive, with only Jay Ting and Mark Devereaux seeming to have the measure of their opponents. Inside the Monders' sanctum, it was a case of trying to hold off the Rovers with the breeze, and then play smart footy to close out the game once the final term commenced.

The Rovers came out with renewed intensity and played as one would expect given what was at stake. Mark Terech started to present well in their forward line, and the Rovers started to play more direct, efficient footy. However, some lapses in concentration enabled Ormond to register 3 critical majors at the social club end, with Robbins once again in the thick of things (having now taken the honours in his battle with Stuart Burgraaf), and Richard Keane chiming in as well. Despite closing the gap at the final change to 11 points, the task ahead seemed nigh on insurmountable.

As most would have expected, the Monders were able to use their advantage well, and closed out the game within the first 10 minutes. Miller and Deledio kept nipping around the packs whilst the Monder crowd roared louder as the clock edged ever closer to a famous end to their season. Finally, Russell Barnes and his cohorts were able to claim the title, with Digger Keleher justifiably named the Michael Ritterman Medallist to cap off another stellar season.

To the vanquished, we must say congratulations on another fine season which has seen them jump 2 grades now in consecutive years. Not too much needs to be added to their talented list in order for them to be a force in B section. Anyhow, I'm sure Gary Sheldon will be starting to plot their course in the coming days.

On a personal note, I'd like to thank all correspondents for their assistance this year, without you guys, this column would be pure fiction – entertaining perhaps, but not factual. I hope everyone has a safe and fruitful summer season, and we can throw ourselves into

another hard slogging 2009 with renewed vim and vigour.



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LAST ROUND'S RESULTS – C

GRAND FINALS

	C SECTION			
ORMOND	2.1	6.8	9.8	15.12 (102)
HAMPTON ROVERS	3.1	3.2	7.9	9.10 (64)
ORMOND: Goals: M. Robbins 6, R. Keane 2, T. Allan 2, B. Deledio, M. Martinov, M. Miller, L. Russell, J. Hoggan. Best: S. Keleher, M. Robbins, L. Duthie, B. Cromack, T. Allan, R. Keane				
HAMPTON ROVERS: Goals: L. Dallas 2, M. Devereaux, M. Terech, J. Zampaglione, N. Lyall, J. Giasoumi, T. Curry, R. Alexander. Best: J. Ting, M. Devereaux, J. Zampaglione, G. Carr, S. Gravina, L. Dallas				
Umpires: Brent Woodhead Dominic Napoli Jordan Mayston David Mandelbaum Shane Mackintosh Ben Halfpenny				

C SECTION RESERVE

ORMOND	1.1	5.1	8.3	12.7 (79)
OAKLEIGH	1.6	2.7	4.11	4.11 (35)
ORMOND: Goals: D. Beckett 3, T. Naylor 3, S. Metz 2, D. Bailey, A. Clinch, A. Cook, J. Wardley. Best: A. Holman, A. Clinch, J. Toniolo, D. Tehennepe, J. Wardley, S. Metz				
OAKLEIGH: Goals: D. Lucas 2, J. Reynolds, C. Meyers. Best: W. Manning, D. Lucas, J. Derks-Revere, C. Groarke, C. Meyers, G. Roney				
Umpires: Lionel Katz Daniel Mason Jordan Rowe Clive Shipley Hugh Tevelein Graham Templar				

C SECTION TEAM OF THE YEAR 2008

N. Cunningham (WF)	J. Plummer (Rupo)	B. Mackenzie (Monash)
S. Keleher (Orm)	T. MacGeorge (Park)	B. Stafford (WF)
D. Chamberlain (Maz)	G. Blieden (AJAX)	J. Ting (HR)
P. Sullivan (Park)	M. Martinov (Orm)	J. Rutter (Oak)
M. Robbins (Orm)	D. Dunne (Maz)	J. Zampaglione (HR)
R. McIntyre (MHSOB)	L. Fletcher (HR)	J. Ritterman (AJAX)
L. Evans (MHSOB), E. Routman (AJAX), T. Edwards (Oak), A. Hickey (Monash)		
Coach: Russell Barnes		

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GRAND FINAL TIPS

Nick Bourke

A Section: Collegians by 23 pts

B Section: Marcellin by 2 pts

Bruno Conti

A Section: St Bedes Mentone Tigers

B Section: Old Essendon

Richard Evans

A Section: St Bedes 5 pts

B Section: Marcellin 3 pts

Ross Booth

A Section: Collegians by 15pts

B Section:

Davina Connors Calhaem

A Section: St Bedes Mentone by 24 pts

B Section: Old Essendon by 30 pts

Tom Brain

A Section: St Bedes Mentone Tigers by 11 pts

B Section: Old Essendon by 50 pts

Anthony Amad

A Section: Collegians by 42 points

B Section: Marcellin by 10 points

John Bell

A Section: Collegians by 30 points

B Section: Old Essendon by 50 points

Bruce Ivey

A Section: Collegians by 31 points

B Section: Old Essendon by 51 points

Bruce McTaggart

A Section: Collegians by 10 points

B Section: Old Essendon by 22 points

Tim Merrett

A Section: Collegians by 17 points

B Section: Marcellin by 1 points

Rick Sykes

A Section: Collegians - 18 pts

B Section: Old Essendon - 22 pts

George Voyage

A Section: Collegians by 17pts

B Section: Old Essendon by 78 points

Michael Sholly

A Section: Collegians by 45 pts

B Section: Old Essendon by 32 pts

Jeremy Bourke

A Section: St Bedes Mentone Tigers by 10 pts

B Section: Old Essendon by 35 pts

Sue Anderson

A Section: Collegians by 25 pts

B Section: Marcellin by 10 pts

Brian Goodman

A Section: Collegians by 15 pts

B Section: Old Essendon by 19 pts

Joe Morsello

A Section: St Bedes Mentone Tigers by 54 pts

B Section: Old Essendon by 70 pts

Olivia de Castres

A Section: Collegians by 18 pts

B Section: Marcellin 22 pts

RESULTS OF TRIBUNAL

September 16, 2008

Leon Desmond, Box Hill North (Reserves). Charging, 2 matches.

RESULTS OF INVESTIGATIONS

Results of Investigations held Wednesday,

September 10, 2008

De La Salle charged with conduct unbecoming in that during the fourth quarter of their under-19 match against Old Scotch on September 7 De La Salle supporters allegedly abused Old Scotch players by yelling loud obscenities through the whole quarter.

De La Salle pleaded guilty and fined \$300.

Eltham charged with conduct unbecoming in that during the whole match Eltham supporters allegedly used personal abusive language towards the umpires and then verbally abused the umpires after the match.

RESULTS OF INVESTIGATIONS

Eltham pleaded guilty and fined \$500 of which \$250 is a bond for 2009. The behaviour of playing coach J. Garrard was unsatisfactory and he (if appointed in 2009) is required to attend a meeting of the VAFA/AFCA and one umpire's training night prior to the first match of 2009. A letter of apology from club to VAFA and directed to the two umpires at the VAFAUA (Joel Morrison and Peter James). Failure to comply will be referred to the board.

Williamstown CYMS and Eltham charged with a major melee which allegedly occurred in their senior match played on Sunday September 7 at Coburg.

Both clubs accepted the prescribed penalty. Williamstown CYMS \$200 (first offence for a major melee over the previous two year period) and Eltham \$300 (second offence for a major melee over the previous two year period).



A SECTION	CLUB	LST WK	TOTAL
Watts, Fergus	COLLEGIANS	5	90
Clarke, Tim	OLD XAVERIANS	3	62
Toovey, Marcus	OLD IVANHOE	0	58
Doherty, Benjamin	OLD SCOTCH	0	55
Houlihan, Adam	OLD SCOTCH	0	54
Moore, Matthew	DE LA SALLE	0	52
Pask, Martin	UNI BLACKS	0	46

A SECTION RESERVE

Rush, Daniel	OLD XAVERIANS	3	47
O'Connell, Patrick	UNI BLUES	0	43
Larkins, Christopher	OLD XAVERIANS	1	34
Corcoran, Nick	OLD XAVERIANS	3	31
Cramer, Justin	UNI BLACKS	0	31
Zantuck, Trent	OLD BRIGHTON	2	30
March, Trevor	OLD BRIGHTON	0	27

B SECTION

MacLaren, Cameron	MARCELLIN	1	69
Skurrie, Trent	OLD ESSENDON	0	67
Potter, Callan	ST BERNARDS	1	58
Pearson, Tate	ST BERNARDS	0	55
Condos, James	OLD ESSENDON	0	51
Slevison, Andrew	CAULFIELD GRAM.	0	46
Loats, David	OLD CAMBERWELL	0	36

B SECTION RESERVE

Harris, Patrick	ST BERNARDS	1	51
Mazzarella, Mark	ST KEVINS	3	39
Bolger, Dominic	MARCELLIN	0	32
Murray, Peter	ST KEVINS	1	32
Poulter, Grant	CAULFIELD GRAM.	0	28
Chatfield, Simon	ST BERNARDS	1	25
Solomon, Marcus	MARCELLIN	0	25

C SECTION	CLUB	LST WK	TOTAL
Robbins, Matthew	ORMOND	6	76
Rochford, Darren	PARKDALE	0	67
Edwards, Tim	OAKLEIGH	0	61
Bromley, Trevor	OAKLEIGH	0	58
Martinov, Matthew	ORMOND	1	58
Dunne, Dominic	MAZENOD	0	45
Jayaaweera, Chamath	MAZENOD	0	44

C SECTION RESERVE

Beckett, David	ORMOND	0	64
Wills, Nathan	OAKLEIGH	0	47
Nissen, Bradley	AJAX	0	41
Raine, Cameron	MAZENOD	0	40
Bogar, Nicholas	MAZENOD	0	38
Perrin, David	PARKDALE	0	38
Pretty, Bernard	MHSOB	0	36

D4 SECTION

Horne, Craig	KEW	0	84
Spencer, Ben	ST FRANCIS XAVIER	1	82
Viola, David	ELEY PARK	0	80
Murnane, Brendan	ALBERT PARK	0	59
Whiting, Troy	RICHMOND CENTRAL	0	58
Fradkin, Timothy	BULLEEN COBRAS	0	57
Nuske, Nathan	RICHMOND CENTRAL	0	56

D4 SECTION RESERVE

Hoseason, James	KEW	1	64
Brown, Joshua	ELEY PARK	0	55
Olson, Bradley	BOX HILL NORTH	0	47
Matheson, James	RICHMOND CENTRAL	0	45
Stephenson, Brodie	WEST BRUNSWICK	0	35
Robinson, Chris	KEW	1	33
Shepherdson, Anthony	ST FRANCIS XAVIER	0	33

U19 PREMIER

Kovarik, Adam	DE LA SALLE	4	59
Fairbrother, Sam	DE LA SALLE	1	48
McDermott, Thomas	ST KEVINS	0	40
Perry, Hugo	OLD SCOTCH	0	40
Pryde, Thomas	UNIVERSITY BLUES	0	39
Tyquin, Patrick	ST BEDES/MENTONE TIGERS	4	39
O'Shea, Daniel	MARCELLIN	0	38



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• WATTS NIGHT AT WOODROW COUNT

It was certainly the Watts night on Monday Night at the VFA Presentation Night with Jack being awarded the Woodrow Medal and his Brother Fergus winning the Anderson Medal for the A Section Leading Goal-kicker. Jack, who has starred all year for Uni Blues, won the medal thanks to a Best on Ground performance against his Brother's side Collegians in the final match of the year. Jack was also presented with his touring kit for the upcoming Australian Amateur U23 tour of Ireland of which he is one of 5 Victorian players selected. The award winners on the night were:

A Section – Best and Fairest:

J. N. WOODROW MEDAL

Winner: Jack Watts (University Blues)

Goal Kicking: J. D. ANDERSON MEDAL

Winner: Fergus Watts (Collegians) – 81 Goals

B Section – Best and Fairest:

G. T. MOORE MEDAL

Winner: Anthony Brown (Old Haileybury)

Goal Kicking: G. T. JAMES MEDAL

Winner: Cameron McLaren (Marcellin) – 68 Goals

C Section – Best and Fairest:

L. S. ZACHARIAH MEDAL

Winner: Jason Ritterman (Ajax)

Goal Kicking: A. A. ACREMAN MEDAL

Winner: Matthew Robbins (Ormond) – 70 Goals

D1 Section – Best and Fairest:

L. S. PEPPER MEDAL

Winners: Paul Florance (Bulleen Templestowe) & Sebastian Mahoney (South Melbourne Districts)

Goal Kicking: L. W. BOYD-GERNY MEDAL

Winner: James Keem (Yarra Valley) – 72 Goals

D2 Section – Best and Fairest:

P. HUTCHISON MEDAL

Winner: Paul Baranello (Emmaus St Leos)

Goal Kicking:

S. W. CRAVEN MEDAL

Winner: Corey Bannister (Therry Penola) – 72 Goals

D3 Section – Best and Fairest:

J. FULLERTON MEDAL

Winner: Richard Ogge (Hawthorn)

Goal Kicking: D. A. WARNE-SMITH MEDAL

Winner: Richard Ogge (Hawthorn) – 83 Goals

D4 Section – Best and Fairest:

O. J. MEEHAN MEDAL

Winner: Bill Irving (West Brunswick)

Goal Kicking: T. C. WILSON MEDAL

Winner: Craig Horne (Kew) – 82 Goals

U19 Premier – Best and Fairest:

C. R. NEWBURY MEDAL

Winner: Gavin Brown (St Bedes/Mentone Tigers)

Goal Kicking: McKINNON SPORTS MEDAL

Winner: Adam Kovarik (De La Salle) – 53 Goals

U19 North (1) – Best and Fairest:

G. W. McTAGGART MEDAL

Winner: Jesse Dimond (Fitzroy Reds)

Goal Kicking: McKINNON SPORTS MEDAL

Winner: Alex Dunnachie (Banyule/Viewbank) – 55 Goals

U19 North (2) – Best and Fairest:

H. HARISIOU MEDAL

Winner: Matthew Aver (Aquinas)

Goal Kicking: McKINNON SPORTS MEDAL

Winner: Matthew Aver (Aquinas) – 72 Goals

U19 South (1) – Best and Fairest:

I. A. BROWN MEDAL

Winner: Nic Corp (Collegians)

Goal Kicking: McKINNON SPORTS MEDAL

Winner: Alexander Johnston (Old Haileybury) – 56 Goals

U19 South (2) – Best and Fairest: VAFA MEDAL

Winner: Ben Southam (Peninsula)

Goal Kicking: McKINNON SPORTS MEDAL

Winner: David Fayman (Ajax) – 58 Goals

Club XVIII (1) – Best and Fairest: VAFA MEDAL

Winner: Craig Berger (Pahran)

Goal Kicking: McKINNON SPORTS MEDAL

Winner: Luke Farrell (Pahran) – 27 Goals

Club XVIII (2) – Best and Fairest: VAFA MEDAL

Winner: Paul Coughlin (Monash Blues)

Goal Kicking: McKINNON SPORTS MEDAL

Winner: Oliver Close (University Blacks) – 37 Goals

Club XVIII (North) – Best and Fairest:

VAFA MEDAL

Winner: Ben Gale (Marcellin)

Goal Kicking: McKINNON SPORTS MEDAL

Winner: Garry Petroff (Marcellin) – 50 Goals

Club XVIII (South) – Best and Fairest:

VAFA MEDAL

Winner: Sean Payne (St Mary's/Salesian)

Goal Kicking: McKINNON SPORTS MEDAL

Winner: Sean Payne (St Mary's/Salesian) – 50 Goals

• RISING STAR TICKS OFF STELLAR YEAR

Werribee youngster Trent Lee has had a year he won't forget in a hurry. In only his second year of senior football Trent has represented the VFA (at U19 level), kicked 6 goals in Werribee's D2 premiership side, won the Tony Fellows medal for Best on Ground in the Grand Final, finished Runner-Up in the D2 Best and Fairest count on Monday Night was also crowned the 2008 Club Warehouse Rising Star at the same function. Not bad for a young player still eligible for U19s next season (although Werribee don't have an U19 side). Congratulations on your season Trent.

• BENNY HANGS UP CLIPBOARD

Contributed by Brad Beitzel, Leader Newspaper Journalist and ex-VFL umpire.

BRIAN "Benny" Goodman leaves the role of VFA Umpires Coach today to move into the full-time role of General Manager of Umpire Operations. Benny, who started five years ago under then CEO Phil Stevens, moves up having ticked all the boxes. Once there weren't enough to cover two field umpires in all of the Association's fixtures - now there are, and spares to boot.

Once abuse of umps was tolerated - now it is not. And once there were only veteran boundary umpires - now there are youthful athletes patrolling the long-white line. But these aren't what matter most. At last supporters know that the ball player will be get a chance to control the ball and the tackler has to stick his hold to be rewarded. You can predict most decisions. Old Scotch president Tim Shearer, a former VFA A Section and VFL umpire says Brian has lifted the standard. "He's given the young guys a go rather than selecting on reputation," Shearer said. That reflects Benny's recruitment efforts.

If you want to umpire at the AFL, the VFA is, more than ever, the place to do your apprenticeship.

• STATIONS JOIN FORCES FOR B SECTION DECIDER

98.9 North West FM will be joining forces with 96.5 Inner FM to broadcast the B section Grand Final on Saturday. Expert callers from Inner FM will be joined by North West FM's Glen Scarborough for special comments on the day. No doubt Glen would have preferred calling St

Bernards on the day but alas, it was not to be. Then on Sunday, the Inner FM crew turn their attention to the A Section decider with the team of Michael Crooks, Simon Petch, Ken Petrucco to be joined by Uni Blues Coach John Kanis giving his insights into the game. Whether at home or at the ground, make sure you tune in to the boys bringing you all the VFA exclusively on 96.5 on your FM dial.

• FINALS CROWDS OUT IN FORCE

The 2008 finals series, at this stage, looks like being one of the most successful ever in terms of crowd numbers. Support for VFA finals is up on last years record breaking numbers. Approx. crowd numbers for the senior finals so far have been –

C Section – Ormond v Oakleigh – 3,500

D1 Section – Bulleen Templestowe v

Old Geelong – 2,500

D2 Section – Werribee v Emmaus St Leos – 2,000

D3 Section – Williamstown CYMS v Eltham – 2,000

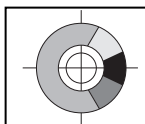
D4 Section – West Brunswick v

St Francis Xavier – 2,000

Some fresh faces in the A and B Section deciders are sure to attract large numbers through the gates provided Melbourne's fickle spring weather is kind.

• NEW YEAR, NEW BEGINNINGS

2009 brings some exciting times for the VFA. The off-season may spell some big announcements for the VFA in the way of relocations or redevelopments. Sportscover Arena's playing surface will also receive a facelift thanks to some warm season grass planting to commence in November. The VFA's new U18 section will get underway next year and the VFA has 5 representative games penciled in to give everybody the opportunity to pull on a Big V jumper. Thank you to all who have contributed to this column over the year, good luck to all teams competing this weekend and we'll see you all when the new season of VFA football kicks off in April 2009. Until then, oil up the cricket bat, dust off your best spring carnival suit and have yourselves an enjoyable summer (as best you can without football). Cheers.



... Retrospective

by Geoff Reilley



5 YEARS AGO - 2003

In **A Section**, the coach of **St Bernards**, **Peter Nicholson**, was confident that his team could again find a way to defeat the **Old Xaverians** and the majority of the VAFA dignitaries invited to lodge their tips agreed. **Michael Sholly**, coach of **Old Xaverians** expected his team's excellent second half in the preliminary final to hold his lads in good stead. **Peter James** and **Tim Sutcliffe** were the appointed field umpires with **Jamie Kivins** the emergency. **Old Xavs** were quickly into stride and established a good lead by quarter time, 5.5 to 0.1. Would it be a boil over? After a thrilling goal into the wind from the start of the second quarter by **Damien Orlando**, both teams missed a number of opportunities in the second but the **Xavs** looked to have clear control at half time, 9.10 to 3.9. **St Bernards** made no impact on the deficit in the third term and by three quarter time the game had indeed boiled over with the **Xavs** holding an unassailable lead, 15.17 to 6.11. The final quarter was really a non event as **Xavs** cruised to the premiership, 18.20 to 8.17 and to revenge for their loss to **St Bernards** the previous season. Best players – **Ockleshaw** (3), **Chatfield**, **Scanlon**, **Biddlecombe**, **J Bowen**, **Ford** (Old Xaverians) and **Ashton**, **Cooney**, **Day**, **T Wilkinson**, **Mount**, **Fielding** (St Bernards).

The premiership line-up was published as follows –

B:	S Johnston	C Ellis	A Brushfield
HB:	L Ford (Capt)	A Oswald	A Biddlecombe
C:	D Landrigan	C Beetham	J Scanlon
HF:	N Baker	J Bowen	J McDonnell
F:	J Pasceri	D Orlando	J Drake
Ruck:	R Carey	T Ockleshaw	A Chatfield
I/C:	A Bowen	S Mollard	D Walsh

The **B Section Grand Final** was set up for a great contest with **Whitefriars** and **De La Salle** both keen to display their prospects for **A Section** the following season and to secure another premiership pennant for their respective clubs. **Mark Gibson** and **Wayne Hinton** were the field umpires with **Dirk Kramer** the emergency. In a highly competitive first quarter **Whitefriars** scored 3.6 to the **D's** 4.3. **De La** made the most of every opportunity in the second term, holding the **Friars** to 1 behind while kicking 7.8 to take a strong hold on the game. **Whitefriars** bounced back strongly in the third term and were within striking distance but with the heavier scoring end at their disposal **De La Salle** broke away again to run our worthy winners, 18.18 to 10.15. Best players – **Mannix** (4), **S Hyland**, **J Moloney**, **L Harrison**, **O'Callaghan**, **Foon** (De La Salle) and **A Pawlik** (3), **Phan**, **Swain**, **Langford**, **L Eames**, **A Carbone** (Whitefriars).

10 YEARS AGO - 1998

A Section Grand Final Sunday heralded an opportunity for

the **Old Xaverians Amateur Football Club** to create what could be termed "The Year of the Old Xavs". With both **senior** and **reserve** teams featuring in their respective **Grand Finals**, victories in both would add to premierships already won for the season by their **U19** and **Club XVIII** teams. All four **Xavs'** teams had finished clear on top of their respective ladders. **Old Scotch**, coached by **Carlton legend Wayne Harnes**, had fought their way into the **Grand Final** after finishing fourth after round 18 but were only tipped by three "experts" out of sixteen to cause an upset. **Harnes** showed initiative with his selection of **U19** player, **Hugh Thomas**, for his first senior game. **Thomas** had experienced a couple of incredible weeks having kicked no less than 37 goals in two **U19** games. 21 against the struggling **Uni Blacks** may have been relatively easy but the 16 in the second semi-final against **Whitefriars** certainly warranted consideration at the higher level (thanks Paul for the info!). Umpired by **Steve McCarthy** and **James Van Beek**, the match was played in fine conditions and in an even first quarter (**Xavs** by 5 points), we looked forward to an good contest. The **Xavs** commenced their 'power' game late in the second quarter and led by almost 4 goals at half time. Going further ahead in the third term, **Scotch** faced an extremely difficult task and **Old Xaverians** raced away in the last quarter to win 21.13 to 11.12. The **Xavs'** reserves had completed their part of the bargain in the early game and the **Old Xaverians** had achieved the remarkable feat of four flags in a season to ensure an enormous celebration for their club. It was also **Xav's** fourth successive **A Section** senior premiership. **Old Scotch** were far from disgraced and were entitled to be proud of the season's efforts. Best players – **Wood**, **Blood**, **Cranage**, **Woodruff**, **Hede**, **Dann** (Old Xaverians) and **Wilson**, **Spiden**, **Pritchard**, **Price**, **Phillips**, **Laird** (Old Scotch). In an absolute thriller in **B Section**, **Marcellin Old Collegians** won by 1 point against **Old Ivanhoe**, 9.9 to 8.14. They had been the top two teams at the end of round 18 and both clubs were expected to consolidate in **A Section** in 1999. Best players – **Seabury**, **Cox**, **Slattery**, **M Boysen**, **S Boysen**, **Cronin** (Marcellin) and **Donaldson**, **Young**, **Tully**, **Veal**, **Mansfield**, **Russian** (Old Ivanhoe).

20 YEARS AGO - 1988

Old Xaverians faced up to **Ormond** in the **A Section Grand Final** for the second successive season. Many felt the **Xavs** had learnt their lessons and although **Ormond** won the second semi-final, there was strong support for **Old Xaverians**. With the wind, **Xavs** were quickly out of the blocks and although

Ormond scored a clever goal against the wind, **Xavs** could be satisfied with their 4.3. It did not prove enough lead however and the disciplined **Ormond** line-up rammed on 7.7 to 2 behinds to have a four goal plus lead at half time. Against the wind in the third term, **Ormond** almost match **Xavs'** score and were in a commanding position at three quarter time 10.12 to 7.8. The **Ormond** defence was outstanding and gave the opposition no chance in the final term with **Ormond** registering an outstanding victory 14.18 to 8.11. Best players – **Forsyth**, **D McDonald**, **Carboon** (3), **Cox**, **Kingston**, **Tobin** (Ormond) and **Atkins**, **J McKay**, **Grummet**, **Marks**, **D McKay**, **Greetham** (Old Xavs).

B Section had been dominated by **Kew** and **Parkside** for the whole season; **Kew** finishing "minor premiers" after round 18 with their only loss to date at the hands of **Parkside**. **Parkside** again defeated **Kew** in the second semi-final but **Kew** came back into the **Grand Final** after a thrilling, narrow win over **Therry** in the preliminary final. Each contest between **Kew** and **Parkside** had been fierce with no holds barred and the respective "strong men" didn't hold back! **Kew** certainly failed to make the most of their chances in the first term with shocking kicking for goal (1.10) and conversely, **Parkside** went forward and kicked three goals straight. **Parkside** had the better of the second quarter and were in reasonable control, 6.3 to 2.14. The 'Red Devils' went further ahead in the third quarter but their 9.6 to **Kew's** 3.16 by no means meant the game was over. After an initial rally by **Kew** early in the last quarter, **Parkside** again showed their superiority and with a final score of 15.8 to 5.18, **Parkside** earned promotion to **A Section** for the first time in 51 years. Best players – **Buckhorn**, **Williams** (3), **Rowe**, **Sherlock**, **Papas**, **Sansonetti** (Parkside) and **O'Kayli**, **S Lord**, **Bruno**, **Thornley**, **Schober**, **T Peric** (Kew). **Kew** received a consolation prize when their reserves defeated **Parkside**.

30 YEARS AGO - 1978

The A Section Grand Finalists line-up as follows - OLD SCOTCH

B:	Leatham	Cox	Kefford
HB:	Morgan	Drummond	Duffy
C:	Bowden	Duke	Kiel
HF:	Tallent	Sherwen	Meadows
F:	Sinclair	Mason	Marx
Rucks:	Bates	Anderson	Bubb
IC:	Bedford	Alexander	
Coach:	Laurie Aghan		

NORTH OLD BOYS

B:	Robertson	Horan	Weir
HB:	Welch	S Maguire	Leeack
C:	Sheales	Borcich	Butera
HF:	Hannaberry	O'Connor	R Conti
F:	Dillon	Anderson	Haratsis
Rucks:	D Maguire	Griffin	Wilson
IC:	Dolan	Ferguson	
Coach:	George Moloney		

Old Scotch had entered the **Grand Final** via the preliminary

final and came from being behind at each change to win narrowly in a thrilling last quarter, 16.16 to **NOBS** 16.11. It had been a magnificent game of amateur football. Best players – **Bates**, **Purnell**, **Marx**, **Sherwen**, **Bubb** (3), **Anderson** (Scotch) and **Hannaberry**, **Haratsis**, **S Maguire**, **Conti**, **Dillon** (4), **Wilson** (NOBS).

Old Melburnians were too strong for **Old Paradians** in the **B Section Grand Final**, 18.16 to 11.10. Best players – **Brown**, **Mumme**, **Mitchell** (3), **I Cordner**, **Knight**, **Morphet** (OM's) and **Considine**, **Hughes**, **McCormack**, **Roe**, **Johnson**, **Natoli** (OP's).

40 YEARS AGO - 1968

In **A Section** **Old Paradians** established control early in the game with 6.8 to **Caulfield Grammarians'** solitary 1 behind. With the wind in the second quarter **Caulfield** struggled to make up the difference and were laboring at half time with only 3.4 to **Paradians'** 6.11. **Paradians** blew the game apart in the third quarter and even some wayward shots for goal did not stop them taking a stranglehold after 30 minutes that produced 8.10 to the **Grammarians'** 1.1. The game petered out in the final term with **Paradians** securing their third successive **A Section** premiership 17.23 to 7.8.

Ormond won their way back into **A Section** for the ensuing year when they won a closely fought **B Section Grand Final** against **Monash University**. **Ormond's** 7.3 in the first quarter to **Monash Uni's** 5 behinds set up the win and the **Monds** held a three and a half goal lead at half time. **Ormond** pulled away again in the third quarter and although **Monash** fought back strongly in the final term, it was a much wanted **Blue** and **Brown** premiership. Final score 14.9 to 12.9.

50 YEARS AGO - 1958

Collegians and **Old Scotch** contested the **A Section Grand Final** with the weather far from perfect but the football that followed was both entertaining and exciting as the result was in doubt right up until the final minutes. When the siren sounded, **Collegians** were desperately keeping **Scotch** at bay; final score **Collegians** 9.6 to **Old Scotch** 8.6.

COLLEGIANS

B:	L Hibbins	Bennett	Scott
HB:	Hayes	Farrell	Rush
C:	Gellie	McDonald	Powell
HF:	Thompson	G Daff	Unkenstein
F:	Evans	R Daff	McKeown
Rucks:	Mansfield	G Hibbins	Sunderland
Reserves:	Hutchens & Sumner		

OLD SCOTCH

B:	Lodge	Green	Russell
HB:	Law	Maughan	McLellan
C:	Wilson	Eggleston	Patterson
HF:	Wood	Parry	C Melville
F:	R Morris	Moran	Barkway
Rucks:	A Morris	Gibbs	K Melville
Reserves:	Kidd & Roberts		



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**Trent Lee
Werribee**

Trent started at Werribee at Under 9 level and became a senior player last season whilst still eligible for Under 18's. A small forward who has been part of the mid field rotation at times, his pace and ability to break the lines make him an important part of the Werribee game plan.

Trent was selected in the VAFA U19 team to play in Brisbane over the Queen's Birthday weekend and received the best player for the VAFA by the AFLQ coaching staff. He gathered plenty of possessions, generally up forward, and had a hand in numerous goals.

Trent has bagged 54 goals this season including 6 in the Grand Final against Emmaus St Leos. He was also awarded the A R Fellowes Medal for Best on Ground in the Grand Final.

After receiving his award on Monday night, Trent paid tribute to his teammates and club "It has been a great year for the club winning the premiership and being promoted to D1"

Trent may look at playing in the VFL next year with Williamstown however "Werribee will always be my home club."



VAFA A & B GRAND FINALS 2008

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ADULTS

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CONCESSION

A & B SECTIONS - Grand Final \$7

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D4 SECTION

by Duncan Palmer



Last Monday night I had the pleasure of counting out the last few votes for D4 Section. It is often interesting to see how umpires views compare with spectators and coaches. There would be little doubt that all involved in D4 would say they certainly were on the mark with a much deserved winner in Bill Irving from West Brunswick. It would have been very easy for Bill to jump ship and ply his trade in A or B grade as he is easily capable, however he stuck by his mates and his team and has been rewarded with a premiership and a competition best and fairest. I am sure we all feel for Michael Rhodes who would have joined Bill except for an indiscretion during the year; however congratulate him too on a fine season.

The last day of the season saw minor premiers West Brunswick 'hosting' St Francis Xavier at Vermont. From day once the Magpies had been premiership favourites, however even early in preseason on there had been whisperings that the new boys were a danger. Now, 22 weeks after the season began, both were a reality. The Beaconsfield locals had all packed on buses for the trip and appeared to have the greater following, though there was plenty of black and white in the crowd. All were anxious to see what would transpire.

From the first bounce West Brunswick attempted to stamp their authority on the match. The Magpies midfield quickly

established ascendancy with Sam Thompson in particular showing both strength and skill as he regularly cleared the football to waiting forwards with pinpoint precision. Bill Irving was dominating on the ground and in the air, and across half-back Sam Pietsch was repelling Xmen forward forays. Chris Van Dam worked hard to keep the Xmen in the game and helped create an important goal for Ben Spencer to keep St Francis Xavier in the game.

In the second quarter the Magpies started to get their link play working as some nice teamwork created even more opportunities for the likes of Joel Barclay who was starting to find space in the forward line. Anthony Gibson's speed was starting to create problems even for the fleet footed Xmen, and despite another couple of dazzling goals from the Xmen, things looked ominous at half time with West Brunswick opening up a five goal break.

In the third St Francis Xavier seemed to lift their intensity, and the double D's David Dapiran and Dimitri Dimakopolous gave them some early hope of a comeback, but this was quickly snuffed out. West Brunswick had too many winners all over the ground, and with Ben Bainbridge and Sam Thomson continuing to win the clearances, the Xmen runners could not get their hands on the football.

In the last quarter St Francis Xavier kicked the first two to maybe breathe a little bit of life back into the contest. However this was short-lived as West Brunswick kicked the next, shutting the door on any hopes the Xmen had and prompted early celebrations from the Magpies faithful. I even think I noticed Joffa popping on a gold jacket on the eastern wing. At the final siren West Brunswick were victors by 45 points capping off a fantastic year for them. Sam Thomson was a highly deserved best on ground. It is also important to remember that West Brunswick also lost key players during the season in Andrew Gall and Jason Sudholz, making the achievement all the meritorious.

In the reserves Kew and West Brunswick fought out a thriller with scores virtually even at every break. Neither team ever really found ascendancy with great team efforts from both sides. Kew drew away in the last to reverse the result from two weeks previous and take home the premiership. In the end it was the ability of Matthew Glenn and Paul Rees to kick multiple goals that probably was the single biggest difference in the game with no Magpie kicking more than one goal.

Congratulations to all teams on a fantastic year of D4 football, and I look forward to a new competition with new teams, new recruits and hopefully a few surprises in 2009.

LAST ROUND'S RESULTS – D4

GRAND FINALS

D4 SECTION

WEST BRUNSWICK 3.4 8.8 11.14 14.19 (103)

ST FRANCIS XAVIER 1.0 3.2 4.5 8.10 (58)

WEST BRUNSWICK: Goals: J. Barclay 5, S. Dishon 3, J. Melican, H. Lewis, A. Gibson, S. Churchill, M. Layley, S. Thomson. Best: S. Thomson, A. Gibson, B. Irving, B. Bainbridge, S. Pietsch, W. Baker

ST FRANCIS XAVIER: Goals: T. Pearson, S. Greely, D. Dapiran, B. Spencer, K. Russo, E. McNally, D. Dimakopoulos, J. Mathers. Best: C. Van Dam, D. Dapiran, T. Pearson, S. Harvey, K. Russo, S. Van Dam

Umpires: John Robinson Robert Hamilton Sean Collins Graeme Booth Jonathan Auditore Peter Angelis

D4 SECTION RESERVE

WEST BRUNSWICK 2.2 5.5 6.8 9.10 (64)

KEW 2.4 4.6 7.10 12.13 (85)

WEST BRUNSWICK: Goals: G. Saisanas, B. Stephenson, S. Cleary, P. Walpole, B. Brown, L. Ritchie, W. Vagg, N. O'Brien, D. TWEEDIE. Best: M. Barron, W. Vagg, M. Dishon, B. Brown, J. Hughes, W. Ezy

KEW: Goals: M. Glenn 4, P. Rees 4, A. Carman, C. Robinson, J. Hoseason, B. McGrane. Best: A. Carman, L. King, P. Rees, D. Berry, J. Poxon, M. Glenn

Umpires: Philip Callil Cally Greene Toby Newton Dean Schwab Bruce Stephens Paul Whitehead



D4 SECTION PREMIERS WEST BRUNSWICK



D4 RESERVES PREMIERS KEW



THIS WEEKENDS A AND B SECTION FIELD UMPIRES WILL BE SELECTED FROM



Russell Davidson

Last year's A Section GF Umpire and 2006 Umpire of the Year has had another consistent season and was selected for the Senior Representative match in June

Luke Holmes

Has continued to work his way up the rankings through solid performances and an excellent work ethic, culminating in being awarded the 2008 Umpire of the Year Award.

Cameron Nash

Returned to VAFA after 9 years with the VFL and was rewarded for his efforts this year with selection in the U23 Representative match and he will feature strongly this weekend.

Tim Sutcliffe

Last years A Section GF Umpire and 2007 Umpire of the year. Tim's consistency, hard work and enjoyment of his trade has seen him continue to sustain top performances throughout 2008 and to umpire the representative match against the VCFL.



OTHER APPOINTMENTS



Emergency Field: Shane Mackintosh (A) Brent Woodhead (B)

A Section Boundary: Ben Connor & James Scully

B Section Boundary: Rebecca Brown & Ryan Morris

A Section Goal: Clayton Evans & Kevin Segota

B Section Goal: Bernie Hoare & Chris Kearney

A Section Reserves:

Field: Nick Fennessy & Tom Windlow

Boundary: Damien Anthony & Tom Wischer

Goal: Nick Kenna & Alister Kyrkov

B Section Reserves:

Field: Peter Cahill & Merv Monty

Boundary: Frank Stokes & Will Stokes

Goal: David Hindle & Patrick Newson



UMPIRES CORNER

by Steve McCarthy & Leah Gallagher



Finally - the last week

Well, all that hard work has come down to this weekend, the last football we will see until next year. To the last four senior and reserve umpires in each discipline we wish you all the best; as for this year you have produced your best to be our top four. The other big event is the top eight playing off in the final poker game for the year, thank God that group is finished.

New Gear

This year we as umpires have updated the training gear to look more professional on the track including t-shirts with our name or nickname on them, and many have taken advantage of the VAFA sponsorship of 2XU compression shorts and pants. It's a shame Mark Gibson did not buy the gear but instead ran out in a good old fashioned pair of black long johns, no conformation on whether the Y front was stitched up. However being a barrister you'd think he could at least afford a pair of 2XU or Skins, but no, Gibbo is still looking for a cheap pair of tights and was last seen at Big W.

Border Security

One umpire who is missing this week is **Patrick Coulthard**. **Paddy**, due to work commitments has been posted to Darwin to protect our borders from illegal fisherman and immigrants. To catch Paddy's work stay tuned to the next episode of Border Security he could be the one with the pixeled out face.

What the ???

Boundary umpire Jayde Daly just continues to astound us each week! This time it was due to her attendance at training. Nothing unusual with that, but last week **Jayde** decided to bring her pet to Elsternwick. Not just your typical house pet but a recently-hatched duck! This duck whose name is **Winston** enjoyed waddling around on the vast wings of Elsternwick and at times seemed to run quicker than **Jayde**.

A few thanks

First of all to **Anthony Damen** and the continued sponsorship support of **Personal Mortgage Managers**.

To **Tim Sutcliffe** for the great work he does with our website at www.vafaua.asn.au and especially for the

occasional article we plagiarise from him. Keep your eyes on the website during the off-season to keep track of any happenings within the VAFAUA.

To **Benny** and all the coaches who without their work we wouldn't be out there on the weekend.

To the **VAFA**, especially Olivia for her patience with us each Tuesday.

And to our biggest supporters of the year in **Cheryl** and **Susan** thanks for putting up with us. Put in a big-pre-season and we'll see you in 2009!

Vote count

Last Monday night saw the **VAFA Vote Count** held at the Telstra Dome. Congratulations to all winners for the Best and Fairest awards and hope that in your acceptance speech you thanked the umpires that voted for you.

Also awarded that night was the **Most Promising Umpire & Umpire of the Year awards**: congratulations to:

Umpire of the year: Luke Holmes

Most Promising Umpire of the Year: Danny Lawlor



Luke Holmes (left) and Danny Lawlor

RESPECT THE UMPIRE – RESPECT THE GAME!!



U19 SECTION

by Ross Mitchell (U19's Premier),



Ross Mitchell

Those who took the trip down to Trevor Barker Oval last Sunday were treated to a fantastic U19 Premier Grand Final between St Bedes Mentone Tigers and De La Salle.

It was predicted early in the season that these two sides would be the dualists on the last Sunday in the season, St Bedes, with their hard running; play on style against the more traditional tall forward approach of De La Salle showcased all that is great about the best U19 comp in the land.

With the on shore breeze blowing across the ground at Sandy it was De La Salle who jumped out of the blocks in the opening minutes. The Dee's midfield dominating the centre clearances through great tap work from Brad Lewis. With Luke Semmel, Sam Williams and Olmo Salvatore getting plenty of the pill opportunities were coming thick and fast for the De La forwards. While Barnhoorn Kane and Bastion were able to spoil Kovarik and co The Tigers could not contain crumbing forward Joel Phillips. Things were not looking good for St Bedes who were being comprehensively smashed in the middle of the ground and with a 7 - 0 clearance count this was an area of concern for The Tiger's coach. Falling behind in the tackle count and spilling important marking opportunities St Bedes were fortunate not to fall too far behind after a couple of goals from Adam Jones.

Stewart Gray had his boys fired up at the start of the second term as they continued their midfield dominance and when Adam Kovarik started slotting goals from long range you got the sense that the De La Salle floodgates were about to open. Edward Murphy was getting his game going while Salvatore just kept winning the ball around the stoppages and with the lead bulging to 32 points disaster struck for St Bedes Mentone with Alex Kane going down with a broken ankle. With one of their defensive guns now done for the day one would have been excused for thinking the Mentone boys would drop their bundle. After a lengthy delay the restart saw the Mentone boys come out breathing fire as they turned on the pressure and began to chip away at the De La lead. Michael Meehan began to dominate moving up the ground and holding contested mark after contested mark in a performance that was telling as the Tigers took the momentum into the sheds at half time although still down by around four goals.

The third quarter was as entertaining as you'd ever hope to see, the stoppages had now turned into a full on arm wrestle, sometimes it was Gavin Brown who was on top, then it was Semmel or Olmo, then Pat Liston would swing the advantage back to his side only to see Zac Dickinson win a loose ball all two. Tim Mavric was getting very dangerous across half back and with Meehan grabbing everything coming his way the Tiges now had a reliable avenue to set up forward thrusts. With the pressure building on the Dee's back 6 Chad Ryan exploded and slotted a couple of tricky chances and with Pat Tyquin now also firing up it was St Bedes again who took the momentum to the huddle after completing a five goal to three third term.

De La Salle were far from done though and once again started the quarter with the ascendancy. Williams, Semmel, Hayes, Lewis and Phillips all getting the job done and when the missus claimed at the 10 minute mark that I had picked the wrong side to win in last weeks article I thought she was right and while De La couldn't land the knock out blow hitting the post twice I felt they were in control and on their way to the flag. From this point of the game 3 passages of play stand out for me as the game breakers and shows how desperate the Tigers were in those final minutes of season 2008.

The Daniel Chick game saver - At the 20 minute mark a man in Blue and Gold gathered a loose ball and hit the gas crossing the chalk at the front of the centre square and eyeing the big sticks, with one last desperate lunge Justin Swayne manage to stick a tackle that knocked the ball free that was then cleared and danger averted.

The first, second and third effort - Pat Tyquin's second half on Sunday was magnificent and is best summed up with this passage that occurred with a maybe 5 minutes to go. Pat won the pill and handballed, the receiving player then bombed long to the SBMT half forward line where the ball spilled only to be crumbed by Pat who dished off then received the ball back and goaled. WOW! His run started on the half back flank and finished in the goal square.

Smother of the year - Tim Mavric was still cursing himself, with time in the forward pocket he blazed and put the ball out of bounds on the full leaving the Tigers up by 2 points but with the ball in the hands of the De La defence and a minute or two to go. With his team mates scrambling to man up, Mick Meehan stood tall and smothered the free kick. In the mayhem to gather the loose ball I couldn't tell who slotted the sealer, Ryan or Tyquin I'm not sure and it doesn't matter, St Bedes Mentone Tigers by 8 points in an absolute cracker.

Congratulations to Patrick Liston, judged best on ground.

LAST ROUND'S RESULTS

GRAND FINAL

U19 PREMIER

ST BED/MEN TIG	4.4	8.6	13.11	18.14 (122)
DE LA SALLE	6.1	12.2	15.5	17.12 (114)

ST BEDES MENTONE TIG: Goals: C. Ryan 5, P. Tyquin 4, A. JONES 2, M. Meehan 2, P. Kean 2, T. Smith 2, T. Mavric. Best: M. Meehan, P. Liston, D. Zagami, C. Ryan, P. Kean, M. Barnhoorn

DE LA SALLE: Goals: A. Kovarik 4, J. Phillips 4, P. Monaghan 3, S. Dillon 2, J. Harris, S. Fairbrother, M. Collins, O. Salvatore. Best: O. Salvatore, J. Phillips, S. Williams, E. Murphy, K. Ellis, B. Lewis

Umpires: Damien Zuch Andrew Scotford Alec MacLachlan Joe Draffen Darren Dalgleish Jack Cooper

U19 NORTH 1 PREMIERS : OLD TRINITY



U19 NORTH 2 PREMIERS : AQUINAS



U19 NORTH 1 : OLD TRINITY v OLD IVANHOE



U19 NORTH 2 : AQUINAS v IVANHOE AFC



2008 AWARD WINNERS



Above L-R: Tony Brown Old Haileybury B B&F, Fergus & Jack Watts A LGK (Fergus) & B&F (Jack), James Keem Yarra Valley D1 LGK.

Below L-R: Paul Florance Bulleen Temp D1 B&F, Matthew Robbins Ormond C LGK, Cameron McLaren Marcellin B LGK



2008 AWARD WINNERS



Above L-R: Paul Baranello Emmaus St Leos D2 B&F, Corey Bannister Therry Penola D2 LGK, Richard Ogge Hawthorn LGK & B&F D3 **Below L-R:** Bill Irving West Brunswick D4 B&F, Ben Southam Peninsula B&F U19 S2, Matthew Aver Aquinas LGK & B&F U19 N2.



2008 AWARD WINNERS



Above L-R: Jesse Dimond Fitzroy Reds B&F U19 N1, Gavin Brown St Bedes Mentone U19 Premier B&F, Adam Kovarik De La Salle U19 Premier LGK.

Below L-R: Alex Dunnachie Banyule U19 N1 LGK, Al Johnson Old Haileybury LGK U19 S1, Nick Corp Collegians U19 S1 B&F.



2008 AWARD WINNERS



Above L-R: Ben Gale Marcellin - C18 North Best & Fairest. **Right:** Oliver Close Uni Blacks C18 2 Leading Goal Kicker. Craig Berger Prahran C18 1 B&F.

Below L-R: Luke Farrell Prahran C18 1 LGK, Garry Petroff Marcellin LGK C18 North, Paul Coughlan Monash Blues C18 2 B&F.



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to be enthusiastic leaders

who have excellent communication skills.

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Applications in writing to:

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Senior Coach

Based in Glen Iris and well resourced, we seek a successful person that can develop and lead our football club. The successful applicant will be an experienced and enthusiastic leader with excellent communication and interpersonal skills.

Under 19's Coach

Following a successful merger between the St Mary's and Salesian Amateur Football Clubs in season 2008, we will develop a new Under 19's team for Season 2009. The successful applicant will have a passion for coaching and mentoring juniors with the view to developing players into senior footballers in the years to come.

Please provide a covering letter to address your specific plans for our club if you were appointed.

Please direct applications and enquiries to

david@camberwellectrics.com.au

Or contact

David Malcolm – Football Manager (0409 311 553) or

Matthew Ellis – Secretary (0437 377 712)

Applications close 30th September



Ajax Amateur Football Club

Invites Applications For The Following
Coaching Positions In 2009:

**Seniors
Reserves
Under 19
Club 18**

Please Send Application To:
To The Secretary, 54 Sycamore Street,
South Caulfield 3162 Or Email
Pkagan@Bigpond.Net.Au

Applications Close 30th September



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Or email to brian@vafa.com.au



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COACHES REQUIRED FOR SEASON 2009

**SENIORS
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UNDER 19's**

**RENUMERATION FOR ALL POSITIONS
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Applications in writing should be addressed to
The President

Caulfield Grammarians' Football Club
C/- PO Box 1470
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Or via email to
matthew_scholten@godfreyepembroke.com.au

Applications close 30th September, 2008



BOX HILL NORTH FOOTBALL CLUB (D4 Section)

Invites applications for the positions of non-playing senior coach, assistant coaches and reserves coach for season 2009

This is your opportunity to be part of a close-knit club with GoodSports level 3 accreditation that is moving forward both on and off the field.

Applications/enquiries to:

Box Hill North Football Club, 55 Townview
Close Wantirna South Vic 3152 or
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Remuneration negotiable.

**Applications close
Monday 22 September.**



NOBLE PARK FOOTBALL CLUB INC Eastern Football League Division One

Due to work commitments our senior & reserves coaches have announced their retirement.

Applications are invited for the following
Positions in Season 2009.

Coach Seniors & Reserves (Playing or non playing)
Colts Coach
Head Trainer Required

Mail confidential applications with details of previous experience and football history to: The President. P.O. Box 855 Noble Park 3174 or Email to kfwright@bigpond.net.au

Closing date is Friday 26th September 2008.

Also new players and Training staff welcome for season 2009

The successful applicants will have excellent playing, training and social facilities at their disposal including an experience playing list along with some very exciting young players with enormous potential.

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Kew Football Club

is seeking applications from suitably accredited **Senior & Reserve Coaches** for the **2009** season.

Playing and non-playing appointments will be considered.

Applications should be addressed to:

The President
Kew Football Club
PO Box 609
Kew Vic. 3101

All enquiries regarding these positions should be directed to Mr. Brian Cullen on
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**Applications close
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D4 SECTION

	P	W	L	D	For	Agst	Pts	PC
WEST BRUNSWICK	18	16	2	0	2438	935	64	260.75
KEW	18	15	3	0	2017	1433	60	140.75
ST FRANCIS XAVIER	18	13	4	1	2029	1293	54	156.92
MT LILYDALE	18	13	5	0	1808	1448	52	124.86
ALBERT PARK	18	12	6	0	1733	1370	48	126.50
ELEY PARK	18	8	10	0	1643	1804	32	91.08
RICHMOND CENTRAL	18	7	10	1	1618	1858	30	87.08
BOX HILL NORTH	18	7	11	0	1389	1744	28	79.64
BULLEEN COBRAS	18	6	12	0	1343	1820	24	73.79
NORTH MORNINGTON	18	6	12	0	1446	2161	24	66.91
SOUTH BRUNSWICK	18	3	15	0	1038	1896	12	54.75
SYNDAL TALLY HO	18	1	17	0	1052	1792	4	58.71

D4 RESERVE

	P	W	L	D	For	Agst	Pts	PC
WEST BRUNSWICK	18	16	2	0	2001	559	64	357.96
KEW	18	15	3	0	2012	871	60	231.00
ST FRANCIS XAVIER	18	13	5	0	1359	1093	52	124.34
BOX HILL NORTH	18	12	6	0	1491	1326	48	112.44
RICHMOND CENTRAL	18	10	7	1	1291	1166	42	110.72
ALBERT PARK	18	10	8	0	1280	1205	40	106.22
NORTH BRUNSWICK	18	9	9	0	1150	1329	36	86.53
ELEY PARK	18	6	11	1	1254	1366	26	91.80
MT LILYDALE	18	6	12	0	1031	1340	24	76.94
SOUTH MORNINGTON	18	6	12	0	1063	1924	24	55.25
SYNDAL TALLY HO	18	3	15	0	905	1580	12	57.28
BULLEEN COBRAS	18	1	17	0	644	1834	4	35.11

U19 PREMIER

	P	W	L	D	For	Agst	Pts	PC
ST BEDES/MENTONE	18	17	1	0	1876	1001	68	187.41
DE LA SALLE	18	16	2	0	1893	1226	64	154.40
MARCELLIN	18	12	6	0	1589	1471	48	108.02
OLD SCOTCH	18	10	8	0	1632	1481	40	110.20
UNIVERSITY BLACKS	18	10	8	0	1444	1406	40	102.70
UNIVERSITY BLUES	18	8	10	0	1530	1708	32	89.58
OLD XAVERIANS	18	5	13	0	1296	1454	20	89.13
RUPERTSWOOD	18	4	14	0	1278	1692	16	75.53
ST KEVINS	18	4	14	0	1226	1661	16	73.81
ST BERNARDS	18	4	14	0	1145	1809	16	63.29

U19 NORTH (1)

	P	W	L	D	For	Agst	Pts	PC
OLD IVANHOE	18	16	2	0	2038	802	64	254.11
OLD TRINITY	18	15	2	1	1829	969	62	188.75
FITZROY REDS	18	12	6	0	1663	1163	48	142.99
BANYULE/VIEWBANK	18	11	5	2	1804	1297	48	139.09
BULLEEN TEMP.	18	10	8	0	1397	1344	40	103.94
OLD CAMBERWELL	18	9	9	0	1386	1438	36	96.38
MANNINGHAM SHARKS	18	5	12	1	1170	1644	22	71.17
OLD CAREY	18	5	13	0	1273	1920	20	66.30
OLD ESSENDON	18	4	14	0	1289	1976	16	65.23
OLD PAR/ST DAMIENS	18	1	17	0	854	2150	4	39.72

U19 NORTH (2)

	P	W	L	D	For	Agst	Pts	PC
AQUINAS OC	18	17	1	0	1965	863	68	227.69
IVANHOE AFC	18	12	5	1	1628	1075	50	151.44
OLD XAVERIANS	18	12	5	1	1561	1213	50	128.69
THERY PENOLA	18	10	8	0	1329	1205	40	110.29
RUPERTSWOOD AFC	18	10	8	0	1332	1342	40	99.25
NOBS/St Pats	18	9	9	0	1211	1310	36	92.44
OLD GEELONG	18	7	11	0	1166	1318	28	88.47
ST BERNARDS	18	6	11	1	1246	1509	26	82.57
EMMAUS ST LEOS	18	4	13	1	1150	1536	18	74.87
FITZROY REDS	18	1	17	0	782	2097	4	37.29

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U19 SOUTH (1)

	P	W	L	D	For	Agst	Pts	PC
OLD MELBURNIANS	18	15	3	0	2183	938	60	232.73
CAULFIELD	18	15	3	0	1803	1106	60	163.02
ORMOND	18	13	5	0	2185	1141	52	191.50
BEAUMARIS	18	12	6	0	1729	1317	48	131.28
OLD BRIGHTON	18	11	7	0	1867	1322	44	141.23
COLLEGIANS	18	11	7	0	1960	1458	44	134.43
MAZENOD	18	6	12	0	1622	1962	24	82.67
OLD MENTIONIANS	18	4	14	0	1181	2218	16	53.25
OLD HAILEYBURY	18	2	16	0	1219	2408	8	50.62
OAKLEIGH	18	1	17	0	837	2807	4	29.82

U19 SOUTH (2)

	P	W	L	D	For	Agst	Pts	PC
MONASH BLUES	18	18	0	0	1812	842	72	215.20
AJAX AFC	18	15	3	0	2008	1062	60	189.08
HAMPTON ROVERS AFC	18	13	5	0	2024	1264	52	160.13
DE LA SALLE OC	18	12	6	0	1802	1134	48	158.91
BENTLEIGH	18	10	8	0	1695	1414	40	119.87
PARKDALE VULTURES	18	6	12	0	1230	1965	24	62.60
ST BEDES / MT	18	6	12	0	1056	1769	24	59.69
MHSOB	18	5	13	0	1243	1947	20	63.84
PRAHRAN/CAULFIELD	18	3	15	0	1256	1872	12	67.09
PENINSULA OB	18	2	16	0	1025	1882	8	54.46

CLUB XVIII (1)

	P	W	L	D	For	Agst	Pts	PC
COLLEGIANS	15	13	2	0	1161	569	52	204.04
UNI BLUES	15	12	3	0	1250	617	48	202.59
PRAHRAN	15	12	3	0	1139	746	48	152.68
OLD XAVERIANS	15	10	5	0	1225	733	40	167.12
DE LA SALLE	15	9	6	0	1034	901	36	114.76
OLD XAVS (2)	15	7	8	0	932	907	28	102.76
OLD MELBURNIANS	15	7	8	0	969	1021	28	94.91
OLD SCOTCH	15	3	12	0	723	1457	12	49.62
ST KEVINS	15	2	13	0	637	1345	8	47.36
MAZENOD	15	0	15	0	599	1373	0	43.63

CLUB XVIII (2)

	P	W	L	D	For	Agst	Pts	PC
MONASH BLUES	15	13	1	1	1404	602	54	233.22
ST BERNARDS	15	13	1	1	1486	680	54	218.53
UNI BLACKS	15	11	3	1	1389	691	46	201.01
WHITEFRIARS	15	8	5	2	1141	915	36	124.70
BOX HILL NORTH	15	7	7	1	955	813	30	117.47
OLD BRIGHTON	15	7	8	0	882	1095	28	80.55
OLD TRINITY	15	4	11	0	887	1260	16	70.40
FITZROY REDS	15	4	11	0	723	1086	16	66.57
OLD SCOTCH	15	4	11	0	830	1266	16	65.56
CAULFIELD	15	1	14	0	449	1793	4	25.04

CLUB XVIII (SOUTH)

	P	W	L	D	For	Agst	Pts	PC
OLD CAMBERWELL	15	13	2	0	1377	580	52	237.41
ORMOND	15	11	4	0	1064	819	44	129.91
ST MARY'S SALESIAN	15	11	4	0	1189	929	44	127.99
ST BEDES/MENTONE	15	10	5	0	1086	794	40	136.78
OAKLEIGH	15	5	10	0	973	1195	20	81.42
OLD GEELONG	15	5	10	0	852	1146	20	74.35
BEAUMARIS	15	3	12	0	747	1357	12	55.05
EMMAUS ST LEOS	15	2	13	0	806	1274	8	63.27

CLUB XVIII (NORTH)

	P	W	L	D	For	Agst	Pts	PC
MARCELLIN	15	15	0	0	1763	400	60	440.75
NTH OLD BOYS/ST PATS	15	11	4	0	1184	668	44	177.25
KEW	15	10	5	0	1117	756	40	147.75
OLD CAREY	15	9	6	0	999	920	36	108.59
BULLEEN TEMP.	15	7	8	0	822	872	28	94.27
OLD WESTBOURNE	15	3	11	1	551	1152	14	47.83
BOX HILL NORTH	15	2	12	1	395	1344	10	29.39
THERY PENOLA	15	2	13	0	495	1234	8	40.11

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A SECTION

	P	W	L	D	For	Agst	Pts	PC
COLLEGIANS	18	13	5	0	1775	1320	52	134.47
ST BEDES/MENTONE	18	12	6	0	1949	1657	48	117.62
OLD XAVERIANS	18	12	6	0	1944	1695	48	114.69
OLD SCOTCH	18	11	6	1	1661	1660	46	100.06
OLD BRIGHTON	18	11	7	0	1712	1446	44	118.40
OLD IVANHOE	18	11	7	0	1598	1561	44	102.37
UNI BLUES	18	8	10	0	1727	1660	32	104.04
DE LA SALLE	18	6	12	0	1546	1736	24	89.06
OLD TRINITY	18	3	15	0	1391	1976	12	70.39
UNI BLACKS	18	2	15	1	1279	1871	10	68.36

A RESERVE

	P	W	L	D	For	Agst	Pts	PC
UNI BLUES	18	17	1	0	1710	767	68	222.95
OLD XAVERIANS	18	17	1	0	1583	727	68	217.74
OLD BRIGHTON	18	11	7	0	1348	1065	44	126.57
UNI BLACKS	18	10	8	0	1190	1070	40	111.21
OLD IVANHOE	18	10	8	0	968	1164	40	83.16
DE LA SALLE	18	9	9	0	1227	1092	36	112.36
COLLEGIANS	18	4	13	1	1103	1440	18	76.60
OLD SCOTCH	18	4	13	1	1059	1473	18	71.89
ST BEDES/MENTONE	18	4	14	0	916	1562	16	58.64
OLD TRINITY	18	3	15	0	846	1590	12	53.21

B SECTION

	P	W	L	D	For	Agst	Pts	PC
OLD ESSENDON	18	16	2	0	2115	1246	64	169.74
ST BERNARDS	18	13	5	0	1881	1512	52	124.40
MARCELLIN	18	12	6	0	1598	1258	48	127.03
OLD HAILEYBURY	18	12	6	0	1672	1419	48	117.83
OLD CAREY	18	9	9	0	1429	1393	36	102.58
ST KEVINS	18	7	11	0	1486	1516	28	98.02
OLD CAMBERWELL	18	7	11	0	1590	1758	28	90.44
OLD MELBURNIANS	18	7	11	0	1391	1591	28	87.43
BEAUMARIS	18	4	14	0	1216	1870	16	65.03
CAULFIELD GRAM.	18	3	15	0	1300	2115	12	61.47

B RESERVE

	P	W	L	D	For	Agst	Pts	PC
ST BERNARDS	18	17	1	0	1830	688	68	265.99
OLD ESSENDON	18	14	4	0	1482	967	56	153.26
ST KEVINS	18	13	5	0	1599	955	52	167.43
OLD CAMBERWELL	18	11	7	0	1295	1374	44	94.25
MARCELLIN	18	10	8	0	1276	1142	40	111.73
OLD HAILEYBURY	18	7	11	0	1137	1414	28	80.41
OLD MELBURNIANS	18	6	12	0	1051	1134	24	92.68
OLD CAREY	18	5	13	0	1021	1464	20	69.74
BEAUMARIS	18	4	14	0	796	1778	16	44.77
CAULFIELD GRAM.	18	3	15	0	986	1557	12	63.33

C SECTION

	P	W	L	D	For	Agst	Pts	PC
HAMPTON ROVERS	18	13	5	0	2010	1507	52	133.38
ORMOND	18	12	6	0	2026	1626	48	124.60
AJAX	18	12	6	0	1867	1527	48	122.27
OAKLEIGH	18	11	7	0	1892	1598	44	118.40
MAZENOD	18	9	9	0	1644	1471	36	111.76
PARKDALE	18	8	10	0	1775	1854	32	95.74
MONASH BLUES	18	8	10	0	1522	1853	32	82.14
MHSOB	18	7	10	1	1742	1795	30	97.05
RUPERTSWOOD	18	5	12	1	1558	2107	22	73.94
WHITEFRIARS	18	4	14	0	1292	1990	16	64.92

C RESERVE

	P	W	L	D	For	Agst	Pts	PC
ORMOND	18	17	1	0	1793	783	68	228.99
OAKLEIGH	18	16	2	0	1829	778	64	235.09
MAZENOD	18	14	4	0	1588	974	56	163.04
AJAX	18	13	5	0	1663	844	52	197.04
HAMPTON ROVERS	18	8	10	0	1070	1344	32	79.61
PARKDALE	18	7	11	0	1102	1234	28	89.30
WHITEFRIARS	18	5	13	0	932	1515	20	61.52
MHSOB	18	5	13	0	852	1645	20	51.79
RUPERTSWOOD	18	3	15	0	847	1767	12	47.93
MONASH BLUES	18	2	16	0	804	1653	8	48.64

D1 SECTION

	P	W	L	D	For	Agst	Pts	PC
BULLEEN TEMP	18	14	4	0	1890	1358	56	139.18
NOBS/ST PATS	18	13	5	0	1882	1562	52	120.49
OLD MENTIONIANS	18	13	5	0	1764	1576	52	111.93
OLD GEELONG	18	12	6	0	1917	1526	48	125.62
FITZROY REDS	18	11	7	0	1400	1293	44	108.28
PENINSULA	18	8	10	0	1535	1703	32	90.14
STH MELB DIST.	18	7	11	0	1802	1900	28	94.84
AQUINAS	18	5	13	0	1520	1840	20	82.61
PRAHRAN	18	5	13	0	1430	1780	20	80.34
YARRA VALLEY	18	2	16	0	1401	2003	8	69.95

D1 RESERVE

	P	W	L	D	For	Agst	Pts	PC
OLD GEELONG	18	15	3	0	1810	938	60	192.96
NTH OLD BOYS/ST PATS	18	14	4	0	1533	937	56	163.61
FITZROY REDS	18	13	5	0	1682	957	52	175.76
OLD MENTIONIANS	18	12	6	0	1736	1179	48	147.24
PRAHRAN	18	10	8	0	1266	1163	40	108.86
BULLEEN TEMP.	18	9	9	0	1396	1312	36	106.40
AQUINAS	18	7	11	0	1214	1369	28	88.68
PENINSULA	18	5	13	0	1127	1595	20	70.66
YARRA VALLEY	18	4	14	0	823	1810	16	45.47
STH MELBOURNE DIST.	18	1	17	0	780	2107	4	37.02

D2 SECTION

	P	W	L	D	For	Agst	Pts	PC
WERRIBEE	18	17	1	0	2300	1266	68	181.67
EMMAUS ST LEOS	18	16	2	0	2097	1409	64	148.83
BANYULE	18	14	4	0	2033	1360	56	149.49
IVANHOE	18	11	7	0	1849	1792	44	103.18
OLD WESTBOURNE	18	8	10	0	1654	1713	32	96.56
GLEN EIRA	18	7	11	0	1623	1983	28	81.85
OLD PARADIANS	18	6	12	0	1561	1832	24	85.21
THERRY PENOLA	18	5	13	0	1526	1979	20	77.11
BENTLEIGH	18	4	14	0	1712	2309	16	74.14
ST MARYS/SALESIAN	18	2	16	0	1414	2126	8	66.51

D2 RESERVE

	P	W	L	D	For	Agst	Pts	PC
WERRIBEE	18	18	0	0	2614	559	72	467.62
THERRY PENOLA	18	13	5	0	1599	1053	52	151.85
BANYULE	18	13	5	0	1429	1137	52	125.68
EMMAUS ST LEOS	18	12	6	0	1365	1267	48	107.73
OLD WESTBOURNE	18	10	8	0	1392	1219	40	114.19
OLD PARADIANS	18	10	8	0	1244	1225	40	101.55
ST MARYS/SALESIAN	18	5	13	0	1163	1563	20	74.41
GLEN EIRA	18	4	14	0	900	1982	16	45.41
IVANHOE	18	3	15	0	923	1756	12	52.56
BENTLEIGH	18	2	16	0	842	1710	8	49.24

D3 SECTION

	P	W	L	D	For	Agst	Pts	PC
WILLIAMSTOWN CYMS	18	16	2	0	2165	1341	64	161.45
HAWTHORN	18	15	3	0	2188	1567	60	139.63
POWER HOUSE	18	12	6	0	1482	1301	48	113.91
ELTHAM	18	11	7	0	1714	1531	44	111.95
MONASH GRYPHONS	18	9	9	0	1638	1558	36	105.13
ELSTERNWICK	18	8	10	0	1753	1819	32	96.37
ST JOHNS	18	8	10	0	1583	1802	32	87.85
UHS-VU	18	7	11	0	1554	1686	28	92.17
LA TROBE UNI.	18	3	15	0	1260	1847	12	68.22
SWINBURNE UNI.	18	1	17	0	1157	2042	4	56.66

D3 RESERVE

	P	W	L	D	For	Agst	Pts	PC
WILLIAMSTOWN CYMS	18	16	2	0	2400	753	64	318.73
ELTHAM	18	15	3	0	1367	968	60	141.22
UHS-VU	18	12	5	1	1471	1101	50	133.61
POWER HOUSE	18	11	7	0	1308	1127	44	116.06
MONASH GRYPHONS	18	10	8	0	1246	1164	40	107.04
HAWTHORN	18	8	9	1	1335	1391	34	95.97
ELSTERNWICK	18	6	12	0	1113	1346	24	82.69
LA TROBE UNIVERSITY	18	5	13	0	1003	1656	20	60.57
SWINBURNE UNIVERSITY	18	3	15	0	909	1833	12	49.59
ST JOHNS	18	3	15	0	794	1730	12	45.90