



# Knights News



2011 Weekly Newsletter

Issue No 5

## Presidents Report

Welcome to EMJFC Presidents report after round 4. As a club we have been very lucky over the past week and looking into the next few weeks with access to a number of AFL players from 3 different AFL clubs. Last Monday night we were fortunate to have in attendance at training 3 Collingwood footballers including Premiership players Dale Thomas and Steele Sidebottom. This was well received from all in attendance and the players were very responsive to the large numbers that turned up on a non training night for us.



A similar opportunity has been afforded to the club on June 1<sup>st</sup> where North Melbourne players will be in attendance at training to assist with our Under 14 and above age group including Youth Girls. Please show these players plenty of support by ensuring players get to training on this date.

On May 29<sup>th</sup> we will be having our first club night for 2011. If you have been checking our web site you will see that we have been very fortunate that Paul Connors has been able to secure Marc Murphy to attend on this night. We were lucky enough to have Marc at the club a few years ago and he was fantastic guest. I am sure Marc will be prepared to answer questions, sign autographs and present our player of the month awards. Given the expected large turn out we are going to host this event at the East Malvern RSL. Please note the change of venue and make a big effort to attend this night and support the club and our sponsors

As discussed last week the MSJFL have completed the grading process for the 2011 season. Unlike in previous years the process was more rigorous and clubs whilst consulted about team changes were

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not given an option re their regarding. The independence of this process is what we have been looking for over the last few years. Whilst as a club we did not get every change we were hoping for, the opportunity for further changes is now behind us and we can now get on a play football without any distractions. In my view the MSJFL should be congratulated with the improvements we have seen to the competition in 2011. With the new Board and executive in place the future looks considerably brighter.

The final piece of good news is the introduction of a more comprehensive player movement policy for the remainder of the 2011 season in Under 15 and above where a club fields more than 1 team in an age group. This is something we have been passionate about for a number of years, especially in the age groups where we grade to ensure players can be given opportunity throughout the year to play in the higher graded side, and alleviate player shortages. If this trial is successful it is our expectation that these rules will be applied to Under 14's in 2012 and possibly to Under 13's.

Please remember to keep up the good work on and off the ground, support and encourage umpires and players and enjoy your participation in the EMJFC.

Go Knights

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Lewis Bearman, President



## Collingwood's Dale Thomas, Steele Sidebottom & recently drafted Alex Fasolo visit the Knights



"Last Monday we were very fortunate to have Collingwood superstars Dale Thomas and Steele Sidebottom as well as up and coming youngster and the recently drafted Alex Fasolo down at DW Lucas for a very special training night.

The Collingwood players took about 100 "Mighty Knights" from U9 to U13 through some training drills, answered some very probing questions and signed autographs on footballs, jumpers, footy cards and even the odd arm!

The night finished with a rousing rendition of our Club song as all the Knights and Pies formed a huge circle. Dale Thomas was very popular with the mums when he said that "if you want to play in the AFL you must eat healthily with plenty of fruit and vegetables". He also said "to always keep practicing your skills, like kicking with your non-preferred foot, at any chance you get". Great advice and a great night and we hope to see them back next year. A very special thank-you also to our coaches who came down and ran this special training night."

Roy Fish  
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### Club Night | Sunday 29 May 2011

Please ensure you attend our forthcoming Club Night on Sunday 29 May as we have a very special guest. Thanks again to Club Stalwart Paul Connors, Marc Murphy from the Carlton Football Club will be in attendance.



### Night of Knights | Friday 17 June 2011

Please lock Friday 17 June away in your diary as its the Club's fund raising event of the year, Night of Knights.

The Night of Knights is the Club's sole fund raising night which goes a long way in funding all the equipment our kids get to use & enjoy every week.



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### Presidents Annual Dinner | Wednesday 27 July 2011

For all Carlton supporters & footy fans alike, lock in Wednesday 27 July which is our Club's Annual Presidents Dinner. In his final year as President, Lewis Bearman has called on the big guns with his old friend & AFL legend, David Parkin confirmed as guest speaker. More details will follow for a night not to be missed.





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### Canteen

We are very keen to have the canteen operating in 2011. If anyone has an interest in undertaking this for season 2011 or knows of anyone who would be interested in doing this please contact me directly. The club is more than willing to negotiate a suitable financial outcome for someone willing to do this for season 2011. Until this is resolved coffee vans will be at our home grounds.

### Harrison Mills | 100 Games

**Name:** Harrison Mills nickname Hazz

**Team at the Knights:** U16's

**How long have you been at the Knights:** I have played for the Knights since U9's 2004

**What's been your most memorable moment while playing for the Knights:** To have played my 100 games with the same club

**Favourite AFL Team:** Carlton

**Where will they finish:** 4th

**Favourite Player:** Chris Judd

**What do you love most about the Knights:** That I am still playing with some of my Malvern Primary friends even though we are at different secondary schools

**If you could be Prime Minister for a day, what would you do:** Make AFL the only football code

**Most famous person you've ever met:** Ian Thorpe

**Who do you most admire:** My Mum and Dad, they have taught me to train hard, play to my best but respect my opposition



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Lachie Fish & Fergus Smith | 50 games





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## St Roch's v St Mary's dad's footy match Saturday 7 May 2011



Match report by David Kelly  
Photos by Greg Miller

After a massive build up, the big day for the inaugural clash of traditional rivals had arrived, that first Saturday in May, and the annual footy grudge match between the St Roch "s v St Mary "s dads. The St Roch "s boys had been training hard and working on their structures and were ready to tear the opposition apart. After months of careful list management by Richard Lewis, the team looked very good on paper.

The boys gathered in the change rooms amidst a smell that was a curious mixture of lineament and mould. Old football boots that had not seen the light of day for some years were being prepared for battle. During the umpires inspection, one player was told, "Mate, metal studs have been banned for 20 years" The player, who cannot be named, replied "Yeah, nah, sorry „bout that ump. That was the last time I played" and proceeded to swap boots with a player who had come down with a mystery illness and was omitted.

After a rousing speech by Ben Crowe, the boys were fired up. They had all come to play football!

As they ran onto the ground, they caught a sniff of white line fever and, ignoring promises made to their loved ones to play the game in the spirit of a social occasion, gritted their mouth-guards

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between their teeth and prepared for some hard footy.

### 1st Quarter

St Roch "s dominated from the start with Duggan tapping it down to Elliott who stormed out of the middle then measured his kick to the presenting forward. This resulted in a handy point which gave St Roch "s the early lead. The boys were on a roll.

St Mary "s fought back but were stopped by a strong mark by Swan on St Roch "s last line of defense. There was no holding back with Tslamandris laying a crash tackle on his opponent at centre half back that could be heard loud and clear in the grandstand - Ouch, that would have hurt. The ball spilled out and was cleared by the well structured St Roch "s defense. The ball was swept deep into the forward line where Elliott ran off his opponent into space to take an easy chest mark and hammered it home for an early goal. Nice work Grant.

Back at the centre bounce, Duggan won another tapout to Crowe who handballed to Jaensch who kicked to 22. A display of silky skills that belied their years. Later, Crowe burst through the pack shrugging off three would be tacklers. Later still, with St Mary "s bombing it long into the forward line, Lewis made a great spoil at full back, gathered the loose ball then kicked a booming spiral torpedo 70m into the St Roch "s forward half. Oh yeah!

Also in the first quarter, Calvert took a strong pack mark on the half back line and showed the crowd a bit of foot candy as he passed it down the wing. Later, Jaensch took a screamer in the St Roch "s goal square then slotted it through the big sticks. He knows where the goals are. Champagne football!

At quarter time, St Mary "s were feeling the scoreboard pressure

St Mary "s 2 4 16

St Roch "s 3 2 20

### 2nd Quarter

After the short break, 22 made a courageous spoil, tapping it down to O "Brien the crumbing forward. 22 then backed up with a second effort to receive the handball back from O "Brien. Sturge thumped the ball long into the forward pocket where Ventura took a strong pack mark. 58 also took a strong contested mark late in the quarter. Calvert showed courage and commitment with a great smother on the wing and Crowe made a desperate lunge to get a hand on a ball that was bouncing through the goals.

At the next hitout, Harley set up a great passage of play when he tapped it down to Swan who kicked it gun barrel straight to 48, the presenting forward, who marked and kicked a point. A lovely passage of play that deserved a better result.

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Crowe intercepted a kick out of defense by St Mary "s with a clean mark in the centre then bombed it into the forward pocket with a 70m torpedo. He then grabbed his leg. Arrgh, he "s done has hammy. Crowe may never play again.

Kehoe got a fist on the ball for an effective spoil which turned the ball over to St Roch "s and propelled the ball 30m forward. Duggan showed commitment by chasing his man down the wing showing pace and agility that proved his best playing days are not over. Rennell took a strong mark in defense which made the crowd pay attention. Out on the wing Slattery knocked his opponent off balance then Commins moved in for the kill and brought down the St Mary "s player with a tackle that resembled a pack of lions bringing down an antelope. The crowd yelled "Ball!!!" Commins gets the free kick.

Tslamandris gathered the ball cleanly off the ground at half back and cleared the ball with a lightening handball to a team mate which set up a nice passage of play. Gray went hard into the pack then came off the ground with a twisted knee. He was back on 10 minutes later after some spray from the magic can.

At full back, Lewis got well off the ground to make an effective spoil, gathered the loose ball and banged it long into the St Roch "s forward half. Later, Commins burst through the pack with the help of a couple of "don "t argues" to clear the ball from defense.

Out on the half forward flank, Reid, in a flash of white boots, did a scissor kick reminiscent of Wayne Rooney. O "Brien made a silky pickup in the centre to clear the ball. Reid then gathered the ball and side stepped his opponent to kick it forward to Coonan who moved the ball deep into attack.

After St Mary "s kicked a goal, the crowd was treated to a great passage of play when Harley tapped it down to Kehoe who handballed to Jaensch who kicked a dagger-like, centimeter-perfect, stab pass to Dempsey, directly in front of goal. Dempsey stopped, propped, then, off one step, booted it through for 6 points. It was beautiful to watch.

St Mary "s won the second quarter and at half time the scores were.

St Mary "s 6 4 40

St Roch "s 5 4 34

### 3rd Quarter

After rousing half time speeches by Lewis and Crowe, the boys were determined to not leave anything out there and came out fighting.

Harley won the first hitout and set up the next push forward. Later, Harley kicked to Gray who was under pressure. He received a late hit and was awarded a 50m penalty for a shot at goal. Later, Kehoe gathered cleanly and kicked it forward and Reid laid a tackle on Scalzo causing the ball to spill out.



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Commins stood under the ball at full back long enough to reflect on whether his ambulance insurance was paid up. He stood his ground and took a courageous overhead mark under pressure.

Elliott burst through the centre with a tidy "don't argue" before kicking long into the forward line where Calvert gathered nicely and sent the ball forward.

In another beautiful passage of play, Harley tapped it down to Elliott who handballed to Swan who kicked it to Duggan who marked in the forward pocket. Duggan then lined up from an impossible angle to steer a banana kick just past the wrong side of the point post - unlucky.

The St Mary "s full back then kicked a nice pass to Bowden in the pocket who played on quickly. With blistering pace, Bowdo took three bounces down the wing as he sold the dummy to two opponents and shrugged off three others before kicking it long to Scalzo who marked, played on quickly, and from a tight angle in the forward pocket kicked it through for a goal to St Mary "s. We need to arrange a transfer for those two.

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On the halfback flank, on the grandstand side, Commins gathered the loose ball, and passed it to Jaensch who, cat-like, stepped around his opponent before firing a look-away handball back to Commins who passed it to Swan then back to Commins who kicked it, from the wing, deep into the forward pocket. The crowd went wild.

At three quarter time, St Mary "s had taken advantage of their deep bench to push ahead

St Mary "s 8 7 55

St Roch "s 5 4 34

### 4th Quarter

With St Roch "s under the pump, the boys came back after the three-quarter time break determined to get the two kicks that would put them in touch. Gray crashed through the pack to get the momentum started and kicked it to Condon who moved the ball forward.

Then, out of nowhere, at centre half back, Hayes is up and about taking a courageous hanger which set the crowd on fire. Mark of the year. I hope his back is OK - he "ll feel that tomorrow.

Jaensch also took a crowd pleaser on the wing and later followed up with a goal. Reid won his own ball out on the wing and handballed to Sturge who kicked it forward. Walpole-Walsh did some nice work on the backline.

Condon got smashed after taking a solid mark which lead to the St Mary "s player being red carded. That "s one for the match review panel. He could be in a bit of strife. Condon got a well earned 50m penalty to have a shot at goal.

Later, while kicking out from goal, Lewis beat the St Mary "s zone defense with a pinpoint kick to

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Duggan. Nice work boys.

On the backline Kehoe was fearless as he gathered a loose ball then ran into a brick wall - Ouch, he "ll be sore for a week.

At full time the score was:

St Mary "s 9 11 65

St Roch "s 6 8 44

Well played to both sides. Football was the real winner on the day. Special thanks to Paul Diviny who umpired the game, demonstrated his wisdom and knowledge of the game, was fair to both sides and kept the game flowing. Excellent work.

Special thanks also to Andrew Close and Ben Crowe who came up with the idea for the game and made it happen as well as their teams of helpers and everyone else who contributed to the event - you know who you are. Finally, special thanks, to the alumni dads who came back to play for the old school. See you next year.

After the game, St Roch "s Rich Lewis said to the crowd "A bit of shussh please, a bit of shussh. Yeah, nah, the St Mary "s boys played well today. They were the better side on the day and we will be back next year stronger and fitter to take The Cup from them. Their victory today will just make us more determined to turn the tables next year. Our boys gutst it out today, they left nothing in reserve, they all gave 110%. They stuck to the game plan and held the structures. They gave it everything they had. Well done to our boys for a great effort and congratulation to St Mary "s"

St Mary "s captain Andrew Close said in reply "Yeah, nah, thanks Rich, thanks to the boys from St Roch "s for a hard fought game. Our boys put their bodies on the line today and did what they had to do to get the chocolates. We "re just taking it one year at a time and we "re just keeping the lid on it. Thanks to the St Roch "s boys and well done to our boys". Closey held The Cup up high and yelled out "St Mary "s!!"



St Rochs dads



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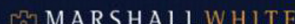
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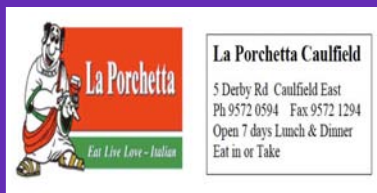
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Final Scores from Round 4				
Home Score	Home Team		Away Team	Away Score
lost	U9 Green	Vs	Beaumaris Black Tails	won
9.9-63	East Sandringham	Vs	U13 Blue	3.8-26
won	U11 White	Vs	lost	1.2-8
won	St Pauls 2	Vs	U9 Brown	lost
lost	Ajax Comets	Vs	U9 Black	won
3.2-20	East Brighton	Vs	U9 White	13.7-85
lost	U9 Red	Vs	Ajax Jets	won
	U10 Red		BYE	
2.1-13	U12 Red	Vs	Ajax Jets	9.3-57
2.7-19	Ormond	Vs	U12 White	3.4-22
4.6-30	Prahran Red	Vs	U11 Red	6.1-37
lost	U9 Blue	Vs	East Sandringham	won
4.5-29	U13 Gold	Vs	Ajax Jets	7.9-51
12.14-86	Ormond	Vs	U14 Blue	1.2-8
lost	U10 White	Vs	Prahran Red	won
16.13-109	East Sandringham	Vs	U11 Blue	0.0-0
6.6-42	East Brighton Vampires	Vs	U14 Gold	11.12-78
13.10-88	U15 Blue	Vs	East Brighton	6.9-45
won	U10 Blue	Vs	Ormond	lost
1.3-9	St KildaCity U15	Vs	U15 Gold	20.22-142
9.16-70	U16 East Malvern / Murrumbeena	Vs	Ajax	5.3-33
2.3-15	East Sandringham	Vs	U12 Blue	8.6-54



## This weeks Games

8:45	GARDINER PARK (Under 9 Green 2011)	East Malvern Green	Vs	St Peters Red
8:45	WIDDOP CRESCENT RESERVE (Under 9 South 2011)	East Sandringham	Vs	East Malvern Black
8:45	DW LUCAS OVAL - DUNLOP RESERVE (Under 14 Div 4 2011)	East Malvern Blue	Vs	Oakleigh
8:45	STANLEY GROSE RESERVE (Under 9 Gold 2011)	East Malvern Brown	Vs	St Kilda City White
8:45	CENTENARY PARK - Oval 2 (Under 9 East 2011)	St Peters	Vs	East Malvern Red
9:30	W.A. SCAMMELL RESERVE (Under 11 West 2011)	Oakleigh	Vs	East Malvern White
10:00	DW LUCAS OVAL - DUNLOP RESERVE (Under 14 Div 1 2011)	East Malvern Gold	Vs	Caulfield
10:00	STANLEY GROSE RESERVE (Under 9 West 2011)	East Malvern White	Vs	Highbett
10:00	MURRUMBEENA PARK - OVAL 2 (Under 10 East 2011)	Murrumbeena U10 Gold	Vs	East Malvern Blue
10:00	GARDINER PARK (Under 9 North 2011)	East Malvern Blue	Vs	East Sandringham Colts
11:15	GARDINER PARK (Under 10 West 2011)	East Malvern White	Vs	Highbett
11:15	STANLEY GROSE RESERVE (Under 10 South 2011)	East Malvern Red	Vs	Brighton Beach
12:00	E.E. GUNN RESERVE - Oval 1 (Under 16 Div 1 2011)	Ormond	Vs	East Malvern / Murrumbeena
12:30	GARDINER PARK (Under 11 South 2011)	East Malvern Blue	Vs	Prahran Red
12:30	STANLEY GROSE RESERVE (Under 11 South 2011)	East Malvern Red	Vs	Beaumaris Yellow
12:45	WELLINGTON RESERVE (Under 15 Div 3 2011)	Northvale	Vs	East Malvern Blue

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12:45	DW LUCAS OVAL - DUNLOP RESERVE (Under 15 Div 1 2011)	East Malvern Gold	Vs	Beaumaris Sharks
12:45	DARLING PARK - BASIL RESERVE (Under 12 East 2011)	East Malvern Blue	Vs	East Malvern White
13:45	MOORLEIGH RESERVE (Under 12 South 2011)	East Sandringham	Vs	East Malvern Red
14:30	CHISHOLM RESERVE (Under 13 East 2011)	East Sandringham	Vs	East Malvern Gold
14:45	DW LUCAS OVAL - DUNLOP RESERVE (Under 13 South 2011)	East Malvern Blue	Vs	Cheltenham Black

## Round 2 Match Reports

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#### March Report

#### East Brighton Vampires Vs East Malvern Knights "Under 9 White Knights"

##### 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter:

The signs weren't good early for the Knights, with a goal to the Vampires within the first 90 seconds of the game. We were kicking uphill and against a slight breeze, and before we knew it, it was 2 goals the Vampires - 0 goals the Knights.

The turnaround luckily came very quickly for us, with our senior boys, the likes of the Hume brother's, Hacker Manton, Snapper Fish and Jake Labrooy not panicking, leading by example and now setting the standard for the younger boys with a relentless attack on the ball. A freakish 5 minutes of play by Maxy Holmes saw him have 4 shots on goal booting 2 major's and unluckily also hitting the post not once but twice. A classy long goal from Tommy Hume and another from the trusty left boot of Tommy Fish right on the siren saw East Malvern go into quarter time with their confidence high.

East Malvern Knights 4.2. 26      East Brighton Vampires 2.1. 13

Goals for quarter:      M. Holmes 2, T. Hume, T. Fish

##### 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter:

Coach Chaffa's instructions for the 2<sup>nd</sup> term were to "Bomb it long and let the big boys do their stuff". Stacking the forward line with the tall timber of Cumberlidge, Powell, Andriske, Lyons and Bomber Hume was the plan. The Knights dominated possession for most of the term without it particularly showing through on the scoreboard. The Vampires were getting numbers back, stacking their backline and

making it very hard to score. Our backline players in particular Teddy Rosengren, Huggy Steedman and the gutsy Jack Poulos (who copped a nasty blow to the head) were like a brick wall, allowing nothing to penetrate. Repeated thrusts forward by Mitch Hart, Harry Carter and Woody Pick resulted in a couple of awesome running goals by the Knights, to finish the quarter strongly.

East Malvern Knights 6.4. 40      East Brighton Vampires 2.1. 13

Goals for quarter:      S. Hume, M. Holmes

##### 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter:

A good team goal early in the 3<sup>rd</sup> term to East Brighton seemed to briefly fire up the Vampires. Being held scoreless for 1 and a half quarters prior, the opposition had become frustrated and began pushing some of our smaller players around. The Mighty Knights responded well with the likes of Ben Salmon and Liam Duncan concentrating their focus squarely on being first to the ball and not going the man.

One of the many highlights for the quarter was the "discussion with the umpire" by Jimmy Andriske. (Wasn't it umpires appreciation week Ando ??) Spurred into action, minutes later Ando snagged an inspirational 6 pointer and celebrated with fist pumping excitement. The 'team play of the day' came from Harry Kirkwood. Taking a ripper mark, Hazza showed great poise and vision, switching play and hitting Cooper Chaffey on the chest with a bullet pass and eventually finished with another sausage roll to Bomber Hume. Two strong defensive and goal saving marks to Lachie Peel, enabled the Knights to then open the flood gates and we poured on another 3 majors for the rest of the term.

East Malvern Knights 11.5. 71      East Brighton Vampires 3.2. 20



Goals for quarter: T. Hume 2, M. Holmes 2, J. Andriske

#### 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter:

Coach Chaffey left his big moves until the start of the final quarter. Placing his "Twin Tower" bookends' of Jake "Plugger" Labrooy at full forward and Ned "Jezza" Lyons at full back, paid immediate dividends. Scarey snagged a goal within the first minute of play and Neddy took a contested, 2 bite, overhead "Mars mark of the day" to save a certain goal by the Vampires. Appropriately, Maxy snagged his record equalling 6<sup>th</sup> goal of the day, to finish out the scoring for the Mighty Knights.

A 65 point thrashing was a deserved reward for effort. As Chaff says "With hard work - comes the result"

Final Scores: East Malvern Knights 13.7. 85  
Defeated East Brighton Vampires 3.2. 20

Goals for quarter: J. Labrooy,  
M. Holmes

Most Valuable Players: Hugo

Steedman and Max Holmes

Intensity Awards: Edward Pick  
and Mitch Hart

Mark of the day: Ned Lyons

Team play of the day: Harry  
Kirkwood

Smart play of the day: Jack Poulos

Captain for the day: Sam Hume

Goal Kickers: Max

Holmes 6, Tom Hume 3, Tom Fish 1, Sam Hume 1,  
James Andriske 1, Jake Labrooy 1.



## Match Report

### U9 East Malvern Knights Green v Beaumaris Black Tails

15<sup>th</sup> May 2011

Home

First Quarter 1.0 v 2.0

An impressive training session from the boys on Friday night - almost a full contingent in frosty and wet conditions. No one could accuse our boys of being soft and it stood them in good stead for their clash against the Black Tails on Sunday morning. It was a cool 10 degrees and Coach Theodore was obviously channeling Tom 'T shirt' Hafey. The Black Tails got the ball out of the middle but were thwarted by Apples who booted the ball out of defence. Chilli was terrier like in defence and Lachie Kerr executed a great smother but to no avail, the Black Tails scored the first goal. The ball travelled up into our forward line with a big kick towards goal by Godders. The Black Tails defended and the ball was sent back towards the middle only to be stopped by the boot of Feddo who promptly kicked it long. Ben Theodore showed his pace and burnt off all to reach the ball first. Apples executed another great kick towards goal which was picked up by Rocky who kicked long. Lachie Kerr took a great mark and kicked to Ben Theodore. The ball moved up and down the field. Highlights were a great dive in the mud by Macca, a huge kick by Feddo to Rocky, Wilbur stealing the ball from the opposition and an awesome mark by Apples. It was all rewarded when Ben Theodore passed to Wilbur who kicked our

first goal and the Green Machine was finally on the board. Some scrappy play followed with a few highlights being a great mark from Macca and a big kick out of defence from Rooey. The Black Tails managed another goal. The quarter ended with a nice kick out of the middle by Rocky whilst being grabbed. Ben Theodore got around a few and kicked toward goal, but to no avail. The siren sounded with no further addition to the Knight's score.

#### Second Quarter 2.0 v 3.0

The quarter started with a quick goal to the Black Tails. The ball moved up and down the field for most of the quarter. Highlights included Chopper following up his own kick, a great mark by Macca and DJ denying a Shark's shot a goal with a great mark in the square. Stinger saved another and Rooey had a big kick forward on the tag to Harry Retschko. Harry followed up with a goal and we knew we had a game on our hands.

#### Third Quarter 2.1 v 4.2

Coach Theodore's half time address praised the boys for getting numbers to the ball. He reminded them to hunt in packs, use their voices and get on their knees if they had to. The ball came out of the middle with Chopper shaking a tackle and kicking forward. Kyer took a great mark and had good vision on the kick. Chopper took a mark and Godders did some great work in the water. A couple of minor scores to the Black Tails followed, one touched and one off line. With the ball in our possession, DJ shook the tackle and kicked forward to Wilbur. Macca kicked into the forward line and Feddo dodged and weaved and kicked for a minor score. Wilbur gets the footy and kicks with a great mark taken by Apples. The ball returns to the middle and DJ took a great mark and kicked to Ben Theodore who took another great mark and was awarded the U9 equivalent of a 50m penalty for a Shark indiscretion. Some great work up forward with Apples stealing the ball from the opposition, running his full measure (and then some) then kicking forward. The ball changed

hands and a minor score followed for the Black Tails and then another goal. Highlights for us were a great tap out by Godders and Apples shaking the tackle and showing good vision to find Wilbur.

#### Fourth Quarter 4.1 v 5.5

We had a bit of work to do in the final quarter but were still in it. A big kick forward by Ben Theodore started the quarter for the Green Machine and Charlie Giles had a kick toward goal. There was a big offensive build up from the Knights which was rewarded by another goal from Wilbur. The ball came out of the middle and Godders pounced on the ball passing to DJ who turned well and kicked forward. Macca picked it out of the mud and Godders earned a free kick. Macca kicked it over the shoulder to Chopper and Wilbur snapped another goal putting the Green Machine within a sniff. Chilly E took an awesome mark but the Black Tails gained possession resulting in a minor score for them. Our kick out returned the ball to the Black Tails and they took another shot at goal. The boundary umpire kept their goal umpire honest citing a touch for a minor score. Highlights for our boys included some huge kicking by Macca and Chopper, Sam Glasser picking up his work rate with a good kick forward and a great second effort by Harrison Retschko. Despite some tough work by the boys another Black Tails goal followed and the win was just out of our reach. A great effort by the boys in tough conditions.

#### Scores

East Malvern	Beaumaris
1.0	2.0
2.0	3.0
2.1	4.2
4.1	5.5

#### Goal scorers:

Will Bowen 3, Harry Retschko 1.



## Match Report

### Round 4: East Malvern Under 9 Blues v East Sandringham

**Date:** Sunday 15th May

**Time:** 11.15 am

**Ground:** Stanley Grose Reserve

#### FIRST QUARTER

Score: 1 - 0 - 6 to 3 - 3 - 21

Following training on Friday night, it was expected that the Knight's Round 4 clash against East Sandringham was going to be on a wet and heavy track - and Sunday certainly delivered the Knight's first game in the wet at home. With dual Captains, Bear and Slacky, completing the pre match formalities for the week's "Umpires Round", it was **GAME ON!!**

Off the back of last weeks first win for the season, the Knights were fast out of the blocks with the short lived dry boots of Milsy, Tumo and Bear putting the Knights into attack and picking up where they left off last week. The forward pressure in the early stages of the quarter was inspirational with the half forward efforts of Armers, Redman and O-Mac finally delivering possession to Rozzo in the pocket to score the Blue's first goal after a selfless shepard from Lo.

#### SECOND QUARTER

Score: 2 - 0 - 12 to 5 - 5 - 35

The start of the second quarter saw East Sandringham change tatics in response to the

Blue's widely reported run and carry, which caught them off guard in the first quarter. The Knights backline was immediately under pressure with Duck Duck and Mini-Max using all their defensive skill and pace to rebound the barrage off the half backline. But towards the end of the quarter, Foxy's tap from the centre bounce found The Axe and Seany team brilliantly to clear the ball to Red on the wing, who with pace cleared his opponent and kicked deep into the forward line where courageous shepards from Max Axe and Macca allowed Slamming Sam to clear a handball to Fast Eddie who ran into an open goal and the Knights second for the match.

#### THIRD QUARTER

Score: 2 - 0 - 12 to 9 - 11 - 65

While Coach Yoges half time address focused on everyone's second and third efforts (including those of the Assistant Coaches), the third quarter saw increased pressure on the Knights backline, as East Sandringham's bigger bodies started to have a significant impact on the score line.

#### FOURTH QUARTER

Score: 2 - 0 - 12 to 15 - 14 - 104

The last quarter saw some desperate half forward efforts from Slacky and Wheels to effect some scoreboard pressure, but it was not to be. While Willa's strength in the centre and down back was Coach Yoges last move to turn the match around, the heavy ground and surface water had taken its toll on the Knight's leg speed (and concentration). Although the final siren saw a significant losing margin, the efforts of the Knights, given the conditions and opposition, was incredible. Indeed, everyone was left wondering of what may have been if the conditions were better suited to the Knights who are now regarded as one of the fastest sides in the competition.



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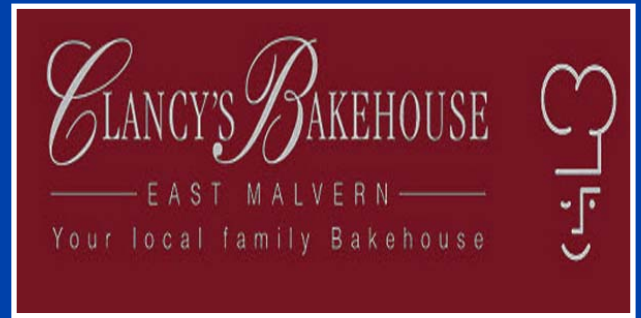
Final Scores Awards

East Malvern 2 - 0 - 12 lost to East Sandringham  
15 - 14 - 104

Player of the Week Jack 'Duck Duck' Allen

La Porchetta Pizza Award Edward 'Fast Eddie' Feehan

La Porchetta Pizza Award Fraser 'Rozzo' Rosman  
Goal Kickers - Fraser Rosman 1, Edward Feehan 1



## Youth Girls

**Seville Ranges 6:7:43 defeated East Malvern 3:5:23**

Singing in the rain ...playing in the mud....Stanley Grose had it all .. Thanks to Graeme for attempting to do the impossible - mark the ground - thanks to the parents and players for helping to set up and pack down for the game.

Umpire Awareness Round - with Callum, our friendly MSJFL Umpire back for his second game with us.

We started the game with plenty of attack with Sarah B in the ruck and our mid field lively. Katie ONeill tackling hard, Mimi running hard and tackling, and Mikaela being everywhere working with Tilly, allowed us to post 2 goals for the quarter whilst holding Seville to 1 point. The wet goal square and creek side of the ground made playing conditions difficult, with the ball often landing and staying stuck in the mud. Elyce and Chauntelle worked hard and seized the opportunities to post our goals, with Victoria unlucky not to post another.

Little Kate was again filling the hole waiting for the rebound, with three terrific shepherds in a row to hold the ball and move it forward.

However, after quarter time, our intensity at the ball dropped off - with players chasing kicks and not attacking the ball when in their



zone. Failure to transition once again saw us conceded goals from turnovers, with Seville posting 2 quick goals to level the scores. Great marking by Victoria, smothering by Mikaela, chasing by Josie and Bianca saw us move the ball forward, however we could not convert our opportunities. Holly and Amber were strong across half back, working with Katie to move the ball forward.

A knock to the ribs late in the second quarter saw Katie on the bench for the third quarter. Although we worked hard and both teams had three scoring shots, Seville scored 2:1 to our 1:2, taking the three quarter time lead.

With 9 players on the bench, Seville were able to rotate fresh players onto the ground and we were unable to keep pace with them in the final quarter being held scoreless while Seville scored 2 goals 5 points. Unfortunately for us, Mimi suffered an injury with only a few minute remaining, and it looks like she will be joining Mia on the sidelines for some time.

Next week, Chirnside Park at the new time of **10.30am at Chirnside Park.**

**GO KNIGHTS**

Goals: Elyce ,Chauntelle, Little Kate 1



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### Match report Under 11 Reds vs Prahran Reds at Toorak Park

Team Captain for the day:

Cold Rock Award: Chris Vukic

Intencity Award: Max Di Cinto

La Porchetta Award: Lachie Ward

#### East Malvern Knights Versus Prahran Red

Scores	G	P	T	G	P	T
Q1	1		6	1	3	9
Q2	1		12	1	1	16
Q3			12	1	2	24
Q4	4	1	37	1		30

#### 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter

Prahran won the toss and decided to kick with the slightest of breezes. The Knights got off to a solid start to the match, contesting the footy well and driving the ball into Prahran territory but Prahran counter attacked. Fraser "Fev" Morrisby was solid in defence taking a strong mark to relieve some pressure. Alexander Natoli marked strongly in the midfield. Jack Potter freed the ball well to Alexander "Panda" Procopiou who kicked the goal to put the Knights in front.

Prahran slowly began working their way back into the match, dominating possession. They eventually kicked a goal and quickly followed that up with 2 behinds. The Knights were forced to make tackle after tackle. Chris "Bull" Anthill made a great smother. Thomas Miller marked from Fraser and then kicked to Jack Potter to spark a fast break which Prahran denied. Max Di Cintio took a great mark in defence on the siren to end the quarter with the Knights trailing by 3.

Goals: Alexander Procopiou

Best for the quarter: Alexander Procopiou, Fraser Morrisby, Lachie Ward, Alexander Natoli.

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter

The Coach told the boys to get their hands on the footy first and that's what they did. Josh Davis got the Knights go forward in the ruck and Lackie Ward started to dominate, gathering possessions and being rewarded with a goal. Nic Wainwright made an impact on the quarter, clearing the ball well from the Knights defensive 50 and flying high for some great ruck work. Ethan Duane showed a strong pair of hands with a fantastic mark. Prahran kicked another goal and a point and threatened to further extend their lead but defensive efforts from Mitchell Rebecchi who made a great bump and followed that up with a tackle, and Campbell McCallum who laid a strong tackle as well as picking up some key possessions, ensured that Prahran did not score again for the rest of the quarter.

Goals Lachie Ward

Best for the quarter: Lachie Ward, Nic Wainwright, Jack Potter, Max Di Cinto

## 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter

The Knights had to dig deep in the third quarter as they found themselves down on the scoreboard as Prahran kicked out to a 24 to 12 lead. James McCormack worked tirelessly in defence making a great bump just like he practised at training on Friday night and taking an important defensive mark. Alexander Feola also worked hard gathering important possessions and relieving pressure for the Knights, along with /

Nic Johns who gave the Knights important run in the middle. Matthew Vukic worked hard and locked the ball in to stop Prahran from breaking away and supported Al Richards whose work rate was sensational for the quarter (as if he had not

been there in the first half) and who picked up four tackles for the quarter!

Goals

Best for the quarter: Al Richards, Fraser Morrisby, Campbell McCullum, James McCormack, Nic Johns.

## 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter

The Knights started the final quarter with intensity and it wasn't long before Fraser Morrisby lined up and kicked the first goal for the quarter. Shortly afterwards Josh Wilson snapped from wide in the pocket with a sensational kick to level the scores! Prahran kicked a goal to again take the lead but the Knights kept their heads and kept on applying pressure and as instructed by the Coach at quarter time, Chris Vukic stepped up and kicked a goooaaaall! Knights in front! Lachie Ward kicked another goal after Jack Potter unselfishly kicked a great pass and Fraser Morrisby sealed the win with a behind.

Goals Fraser Morrisby, Josh Wilson, Chris Vukic, Lachie Ward

Best for the quarter Jack Potter, Chris Vukic, Josh Wilson.





**SPONSOR NEEDED****Match Report**

**Under 15 East Malvern Gold v St. Kilda**  
**Sunday May 15, 3.00 pm**

**Away: Peanut Farm Reserve**

**1<sup>st</sup> Qtr 5.7. 37 - 0.0.0**

We started the game kicking with a slight breeze and commenced attacking immediately. After three strong performances the teams confidence was high and the teamwork clearly improving. Deep voices could be heard booming from the ground with players calling loudly for the ball. Even in the early stages of the game, the umpires favourite free kick was being paid for 'incorrect disposal' which was rewarding those prepared to chase and tackle but perhaps a little tough on those prepared to go in and get the ball. East Malvern were markedly better at both and attacked the goals continuously.

The coaching staff have been making a concerted effort to educate the boys how to keep the forward line open and provide space for our talented key forwards to lead into, and the players obviously learning quickly with Ed kicking three majors for the quarter and Corey having several shots on goal but failing to convert.

St. Kilda never managed to get past our half back line in the first quarter with strong work by the backs, including Tom Fuller and Mitch Horne repelling any of their forward thrusts and our on-ballers running hard and carrying the ball down the ground.

Goals: Ed 3, Bevan, Daggain

**2<sup>nd</sup> Qtr 10.13.73 - 0.0.0**

At the break the coach asked for some more shepherding to help support our player with the ball and although happy with the forward line

asked the forward winggers to push down really hard once the ball had been delivered to the key forwards.

A slow start to the quarter scoring wise, but once the goals were found, the strong and consistent work of all the players was rewarded on the scoreboard and only inaccurate kicking prevented an avalanche of goals. The breeze was a little stronger than first thought.

Late in the quarter there were a few errors and the coach could be heard threatening from the sidelines to start swapping players who were sloppy with their work.

Goals: 2 Corey, Ed, Borthwick, Kenyon,

**3<sup>rd</sup> Qtr 16.18.114 - 0.0.0**

St. Kilda came out after half time and to their credit tried hard to push the ball forward, but with players contributing all over the ground east Malvern were able to continually repel any St. Kilda attacks and provide scoring opportunities for the forwards. Once again, only poor kicking saved St. Kilda from a greater margin. With Carter dominating in the ruck, the on-ballers were clearing the centre on every occasion. There was some very good passing to position and un-selfish handball that allowed us to maintain possession and find players who were in better position to dispose with an accurate kick.

Goals: 2 Ed, 2 Fletcher, Corey, Stephens

**4<sup>th</sup> Qtr 20.22.142 - 1.3.9**

The coach rested a number of players in the last and swapped the team around considerably to give those who had been in the backline or on the interchange an opportunity to be involved more in the play. The depth we have in the team was shown with scoring opportunities being provided consistently.

Despite being well beaten in most contests, St Kilda continued to try and scored their first major half way through the last quarter and had several near misses.

A really good win with a few standout performances and strong contributions from every team member. A desire by all the players to be involved in this team maintains a constant pressure on all to work hard and perform their role within the team.

Goals: Daggain, Paine, Boal, Gauci

Totals for the game:

6 Ed Vickers- Willis

3 Corey Bruinstroop

2 Luke Daggain

2 Blake Fletcher

Mitch Bevan

Will Paine

Gus Borthwick

Max Kenyon

Harry Stephens

James Boal

Daniel Gauci

Best: Ed, Daggain, Carter, Borthwick, Fletcher, M Horne



## Match Report

### U10 Whites 1.1.7 lost to Prahran Reds 9.8.62

With the boys training their backsides off on Friday night, to prepare them for the might of our nemesis - Prahran - Sunday afternoon could not come around quick enough. With the ground resembling something of a quagmire from the late 70s, it was clear our usual game of fast running and ball carrying was not going to work today.

After a brilliant 1st quarter which saw Prahran unable to withstand our tightness around the ball, the game opened up after quarter time and whilst the boys battled out as best they could, scoring goals and stopping Prahran was tough.

All credit to the boys, but at the end of the day, we just weren't good enough - on this occasion. Fingers crossed we get another chance where we can revert to our usual game plan of fast running and ball carrying.

**First quarter Whites 1 Goals 1 Behinds 7  
Prahran 0 Goals 3 Behinds 3**

Captained by Batters, the team slugged



through the dense mud to their positions. The game started well with George in the ruck. Ando was everywhere and eventually earned a free for a high tackle at centre half forward. He kicked for goal but sadly it sprayed to the side for one behind only. It was not long before Ando scored another free closer to goals. He kicked long only to have the ball drop short in the square. Quick thinking from Slav saw him pick the ball off the ground to score our one and only goals for the day. It was not long before Prahran started to adapt to wet weather conditions but great defensive work by Haz throughout the quarter saw Prahran held to just 3 points for the quarter. Great work, Haz, and noted this was Prahran "s lowest score of the season thus far.

**Second quarter Whites 1Goals 1 Behinds 7  
Prahran 4 Goals 4 Behinds 28**

Roo began the second quarter in the ruck. Special K kicked out of the centre to Batters who kicked long to Ando- "stacks on" - this was the continual theme throughout the day. The defence worked overtime as the reigning premiers Prahran started to assert their authority on the game. Bill kicked well out from full back and you guessed it "stacks on" again. A good attempt at tackling in the wet conditions from Red, with Rusty and Millsy brilliant at the bottom of the packs.

Special K in defence dropped the wet ball but followed up with a sensational dive on the ball which earned him a free kick. Another certain goal saved by Burty who threw his body on top of the ball in the last line of defence.

**Third quarter Whites 1 Goals 1 Behinds 7  
Prahran 6 Goals 6 Behinds 42**

After a stirring half time speech from Coach Julian the hungry boys strutted out for another hard slog. (With Batters Captain this week, it seems his father (Coach Julian) unforgivably forgot to hand out the oranges at half time which surely was not a game plan??).

Ando started in the ruck and tapped it to Ollie

who picked up the ball like it was dry. Great skills, Ollie. Efforts by Juz and Millsy kept the ball in tight. Sadly Prahran took another fine mark in the square which resulted in another goal. Some great passages of play by Ando in the ruck, to Roo and Slav, showed great wet weather skills. The backline which included Special K and Bill were a lot tighter and applied more pressure.

Play of the day saw Special K kick out to Slav who kicked on to Rusty who skilfully executed a perfect handball back to the running Slav. Nice work, boys, and unfortunate not to have resulted in a goal.

The star of the third quarter was George. His sensational marking made it difficult for the Prahran side to get past him. Three quarter time and the boys had a long road ahead of them.

**Fourth quarter Whites 1 Goal 1 Behind 7  
Prahran 9 Goals 8 Behinds 62**

The final quarter and the boys looked spent but continued to plough through the muddy conditions. Great stoppages by Juz and more sensational marking by George in defence. Great courage and skills were shown from Burty in the centre after taking a ripper mark.

Sadly this was not enough to deter the reigning premiers who continued to find the goals.

By the time the final siren sounded, the boys trod off the ground suffering a 55 point loss. Great work, though, keeping Prahran to their lowest score for the season.

While the skills and talent of Prahran were obvious, the boys can hold their heads high and learn from this encounter. There "s nothing pretty about wet weather football. Let "s hope next week brings sunshine and firm grounds. Well done, boys...Eat „em alive

Goals: Slav (1)

**Better Players:** Juz, Big V, Haz, Billy, Ollie,  
We look forward to training on Friday where we will focus practising our 3 golden rules:

1. Move the ball quickly
2. Don "t kick to the opposition
3. Run hard with the ball

Go the Mighty Whites!

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## Match Report for Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> May 2011

**Under 11, Round 4 at Lucas Oval**

**Malvern Knights Whites Vs  
Murrumbeena**

**"Intensity Wins The Day"**

An early start coupled with an overcast sky, as the boys stood side-by-side facing off against Murrumbeena to recognise the efforts and contribution of umpires on this, the Umpires Recognition Day.

The symbolic strength and solidarity as they stood there, with a laser-like focus on their opponents, had the hairs standing up on the back of the neck, the anticipation building rapidly - the imposing backdrop of the world's largest power lines simply added to the pressure Murrumbeena was feeling.

Alas, there was no minute of silence and no Last Post as we see on Anzac Day, nor an all-standing, heart-pounding rendition of Advance Australia Fair one expects in September - but it didn't stop the throng of siblings, parents and friends climbing to a pre-game frenzy that would kick start the 60 minutes to glory and another four points for the Mighty Knights!

### First Quarter

A scrappy affair that would set the scene for the remainder of the day, saw Berry create plenty of run off the backline and at the other end, Stopper played true to his name showing one and all, the true meaning of forward pressure.

Baz gave us first option every time as well as plenty of run - Crowey played in the same vain.

Brycey was an early contender for Mars Mark of the Day while DC showed everyone the importance and value in keeping your feet, particularly on a day like today!

Loco's gazelle-like run out of the back line was inspirational: hard at it, ignoring the tackles, he swooped on the ball one-handed without dropping stride, to clear the ball and offer our forward an opportunity - a show of class exhibited by few.

Ozzie kept position providing plenty of drive when he got it - his team-mates more focussed on hugging the other boundary meant he didn't end up with 20 touches for the quarter, nor the Knights with at least 5 goals.

Late in the quarter, with a Pies-like forward pressure, Busta dribbled one through and the Knights took the lead.

#### **$\frac{1}{4}$ Time Scores:**

Malvern Knights 1.2.8 to Murrumbeena 0.1.1

### **Second Quarter**

Clean possession still evaded the game - but the pressure applied by the Knights at every stoppage, indeed at every opportunity, was unrelenting. With bottlenecks everywhere, Coach Condon made his first BIG move: "Busta to Centre Half Forward, ASAP!"

Hoppo starting hitting his stride - his precision passing a real stand out for the day. The forward pressure was again our strong point - Hynesy at the bottom of packs, Berry creating a rebound across our half forward line and TV's tackle showed us all the value of those 1 percenters.

Raffa supported by presenting himself at every opportunity, bringing it to ground and giving our runners access.

Ozzie presented as does Dane Swan and Crowey's shepherd was a 'Class Act'.

In what would be a scoreless, hard fought quarter, Hoppo was at his peak and Berry was a stand out.

#### **$\frac{1}{2}$ Time Scores**

Malvern Knights 1.2.8 to Murrumbeena 0.1.1

### **Third Quarter**

The third quarter saw Stopper have a brief rest and while he did, but the remainder of the team did not.....

Berry was again in everything while both Lewie and Spider were unbeaten in their respective man-on-man defence - inspiring stuff!

Strong too was Lenny, saving certain goals in the last line of defence.

Brycey gave us plenty of run as did Loco - although he copped one a bit high, which would have slowed down any other mortal, yet he sucked it up and ran on.

That drew even more determination from our boys and while we continued to fight for the disputed ball, Baz managed to break free and put leather to boot - the bounce kept the crowd hushed, breathless for almost 50 metres - and we had our second goal.

Snowy proved beyond doubt that "the bigger they are, the harder they fall"! The Twistie Tackle of the Day saw him confront his worst nightmare and win: the big man was stopped dead in his tracks and Snowy turned it over in our favour to provide our first real run of the day:

Baz's bullet pass to Ozzie on the run, who in turn put it laces out and chest high to Busta, was reminiscent of a training run - Busta then fired it to the top of the square and raced to follow up, receiving it again in an awesome second effort, to deliver our third and his second goal!

And when Stopper returned to the field, he continued where he left off ensuring we kept our lead.



Three goals up would prove to be enough - but the Knights weren't to know this and there was plenty of footy to play!

### $\frac{3}{4}$ Time Scores:

Malvern Knights 3.2.20 to Murrumbeena 0.1.1

### Fourth Quarter

The intensity from the first bounce hadn't let up....

Maxy led us out of the centre and the Mars Mark of the Day was taken by Spider - inspiring stuff running head-on into a pack!

DC broke through packs and avoided tackles like only Daisy Thomas can and Tom Lyons' forward pressure was Leon Davis-like!

Crowey looked like Didak in the forward line and was just a touch unlucky not to snag Goal of the Day.

Berry was unbeatable in 1-on-1 contests and Brycey showed he can play anywhere!

The intensity continued.....

The ball spent almost 10 minutes in the defensive goal area, but the Knights were relentless - TV's goal square pressure was heroic!

The boys are spent - the pressure required seems only to build - and Murrumbeena finally break through for their first goal.

The ball returns to the Umpire in the centre and in a fitting ending, the siren sounds - the Umpire in control and the Knights with the chocolates!

Intensity wins the day - a real team effort - and with the hair on the back of the neck on the rise again, the team comes together arm in arm, side by side, to let rip with "We are the Mighty Knights....."

The toughest job in football is only half complete however.....now the trek home, head spinning, to write up this report - the intensity never quits!

### Full Time Scores

Malvern Knights 3.4.22 to Murrumbeena 1.2.8

**Team Captain for the day:** TV

**Twistie Tackle:** Snowy

**Mars Mark of the day:** Spider

**White Knight of the week:** TV

**Player's of the Week:** Stopper & Hoppo

### Malvern Knights White v Murrumbeena

Scores	G	P	T	G	P	T
Q1	1	2	8	0	1	1
Q2	1	2	8	0	1	1
Q3	3	2	20	0	1	1
Q4	3	4	22	1	2	8



## Match report

**Under 9 Reds vs Ajax Jets**  
**Sunday May 15th, 2011 10am**

Venue: Stanley Grose Oval, East Malvern

Team Captains for the day: Anthony Wilks, Hudson Mayer-Brown, Max Pendlebury

Cold Rock Award (Best on Ground): Sadi Nergiz

Intencity Award (Most Improved): Bailey Cronin

La Porchetta Award (Best Listener): Anthony Wilks

**East Malvern Knights**  
**Ajax Jets**

**V e r s u s**

Score	G	P	T	G	P	T
Q1	0	0	0	3	3	21
Q2	2	3	15	4	3	27
Q3	2	6	18	5	4	34
Q4	2	6	18	6	6	42

The previously undefeated Under 9 Reds put in a good performance but were beaten by 24 points by Ajax Jets. The strong Ajax outfit got a 3 goal jump on the Reds early, were strongly challenged then maintained and extended the margin in a quagmire at Stanley Grose Wetlands. The Reds showed plenty of skill and spirit but their running game was quelled by the wet conditions and aerial dominance of the Jets.

1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Ajax won the early clearances to pump the ball into their forward line. Rhysie Boy was kept busy kicking in as Ajax kicked 3 quick points before converting the forward pressure into 3 goals. The full-backline of Harvs and Pendles battled hard and others who dropped back to help out were Fred, Slav, Tower and Ozzie. In a quarter that largely decided the match, the Reds struggled to push past the centreline. The quarter-time break was a chance to regroup.

Goals Ajax, Ajax, Ajax

2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Ajax kicked an early goal before the Reds started to get into the contest. Fantastic desire to win the football and good ball use swung the momentum the Reds' way. Pietschy controlled the ruck and the half-back line of Screamer, Shards and Stig gave plenty of drive. Nicko ran hard to kick our first goal. Slav followed up with another that reduced the margin to 2 goals. On a roll, everyone had lifted but the Reds could not convert any more chances before half-time.

Goals Ajax, Nicko, Slav



3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarter	The third quarter was an epic struggle. It was a contest befitting this top of the table clash. The running power of the Reds' players including Bails, Chris and Jamo was finely balanced against the Ajax kicking and marking game plan. All our players right across the park performed with fantastic endeavour. Greg, Marcel, Huddo and Shards continued to get under the packs and push the ball forward. Unfortunately Nicko was denied a goal in a dangerous 2 on 1 forward move and then Ajax goaled soon after to make a comeback difficult. During the quarter, Bails injured his ankle and Jim came off hurt leaving The General with an empty bench.
Goals	Ajax

4 <sup>th</sup> Quarter	Short on memorable quotes this week but not short on words of encouragement for his players, The General's 3 quarter-time address convinced the group to believe in themselves. The last quarter was another great effort from the boys: low scoring, plenty of contests and many highlights. There was Jim's gather and dash out of defence, Pietschy's leap, Wilksy's spin and no-look handball over his head on the wing, Shard's awesome mark at half forward and Fred's run and kick that left him flat on his back in the muddy centre circle! Ajax attacked the goals relentlessly in the final minutes and kicked one more to finish with a four-goal win.
Goals	Ajax

While disappointed, the Reds had given a good performance on the day against the top team in the competition. The General reassured the Reds they had justified their position as a top team and there was plenty of improvement to

come. Parents were left to take mud splattered boys home to be hosed off or showered.

Round 5 has the Reds travelling to Castlefield Reserve to play another good team - Hampton on May 22nd.







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### Match report

## East Malvern Under 12 Reds vs Ajax Under 12

Team Captains for the day: Godfrey

Cold Rock Award (Best on Ground): Flynn Adaway

Intencity Award (Most Improved): Charlie Bidgood

La Porchetta Award (Best Listener): Jack Morley

### East Malvern Knights Versus

Score	G	P	T	G	P	T
Q1				2		12
Q2				5	1	31
Q3	1	1	7	7	2	44
Q4	2	1	13	9	3	57

**1<sup>st</sup> Quarter**  
The Reds kicked with the breeze favouring the left hand forward pocket but for the first 12 minutes it was shoot out in the midfield. Neither team could gain the advantage, with the Reds tackling fiercely around the stoppage. Close was the catalyst as the opposition tried to take him on, yet he continually pinned them, with no fear of size. Bidgood defended stoutly and belted the ball out of bounds in one contest that may have resulted in a goal the opposition. Godfrey held up well in defence, along with Ralph and Fish who was going well in his 50th. The game was mainly a stalemate but unfortunately Ajax managed to get a couple of cheap late goals before the siren sounded.

#### Goals

**Best for the quarter**  
Close, Styles, Godfrey, Bidgood

**2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter**  
The Reds were under siege in defence with the opposition stepping up the heat notch. In spite of conceding three goals for the quarter, the Reds tried hard and continued with the same tackling pressure and were prepared to play on at all costs. Down back Hocking was everything and took a huge mark to save a certain score. Adaway was showing plenty of spirit and dash and Close continued with his relentless pressure. Styles was putting his stamp on the game bringing other players into it. To sum up, Coach Dan was pleased with the intensity of the team, and the scoreboard was not a true reflection of the effort the team was giving.

#### Goals

**Best for the quarter**  
Close, Adaway, Bidgood, Styles, Hocking

3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter The Reds bounced out of the blocks, with the ball spending most of the time in their forward half for little reward. McCabe was doing well and Ede got going for some hard work in shepherding for his team, assisting the ball carriers. Turner was responsible for a number clearing kicks to the forward line from the wing, and won a few free kicks when in and under. Larke continued his run and carry form from last week and teamed up well with Godfrey to clear the ball a few times. McIntyre's pace on the big ground was starting to tell with Adaway in everything, and finally Harvey, who had run tirelessly all game, snapped a clever goal just prior to three quarter time

Goals Harvey

Best for the quarter Larke, Godfrey, Adaway, McIntyre, Styles, Turner, Harvey

4<sup>th</sup> Quarter Coach Dan implored the team to hang in there and hit the ball hard, and also specifically asked Walters to up the tackling pressure in the middle, and he wasn't disappointed. The opposition, despite being on top on the scoreboard, knew they were in a serious game. In one section of play, Morley typified the way the Reds went about it, chasing a loose ball for a good fifty or so metres, when outnumbered in close by the opposition, to hold the ball in the forward line to give the Reds a chance at scoring. Butcher was ably assisting Styles around the stoppages, and it was fitting that Smith playing his 50th, slotted through a deserved goal for the Reds in the closing minutes of the game. One of the best efforts of the Reds seen by the writer, against a tall, quality opposition, despite what the scoreboard says.

Goals Smith

Best for the quarter Styles, Harvey, Butcher, Morley, Smith, Walters

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