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This Weekend Senior Games Round 8

Lockyer Valley	vs	Goondiwindi
Highfields	vs	Tigers
Warwick	vs	Souths
University	vs	Dalby
Coolaroo-	Bye	
Reserves		
University	vs	Coolaroo

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Front Cover: .DD Girl Reps Isabelle Baldock, Marnie McGorm & Jade Loch entering AAMI Stadium



Allied Pickfords Cup Senior Game Results



Round 8		Seniors		19th May
Score	Home Team	Result	Away Team	Score
16.4-100	Souths	def.	Highfields	9.6-60
3.4-22	Goondiwindi	def. by	Warwick	27.13-175
28.17-185	Tigers	def.	Dalby	2.2-14
11.10-76	University	def. by	Coolaroo	14.12-96
Bye	Lockyer Valley			
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DD GIRLS PERFORM WELL IN ADELAIDE

After three months of travelling and training in Brisbane at AFL Queensland centre of excellence, DD girls Isabella Baldock, Marnie McGorm and Jade Loch have performed well and matched it with the Nations best at the 2012 Under18 Youth Girls National Championships in Adelaide. All three were originally identified through school AFL for St Ursula's College, as they progressed through the female talent pathway to reach the top of female AFL. Queensland finished 2nd at the championships, going down to powerhouse state Victoria in the Grand-Final at AAMI Stadium. This is the best result for any Youth Girls/Women's Queensland side and is a major step forward in Female footy for Queensland.

Summary of each player from the championships;

Isabelle Baldock - Played as the attacking half back flanker throughout the championships, was named in the best against Western Australia and South Australia in the round robin games. Was named in Queensland's best in the Grand-Final against Victoria at AAMI Stadium. Baldock was unlucky not to be named in the best against New South Wales, but Queensland's 89point win and dominance, meant Isabelle didn't see a lot of footy down back.

Marnie McGorm - McGorm's second selection in the maroon and white, after representing her state in 2011. McGorm played predominately as a wing throughout the campaign, was moved to the halfback/rover. Marnie was named in Queensland's best against Western Australia, New South Wales and South Australia. Marnie was unlucky to miss out on All-Australian selection.

Jade Loch - In her first year of AFL football, these championships were all about learning the key fundamentals of our great game. Loch was played as a defensive forward, as Jade finished with QLD's most pressure acts throughout the round robin stages and used as a small crumbing forward. Jade was able to chip in with a few handy goals. With two more years being available for selection, Jade will develop into an elite youth girl's footballer.

Invitations will be out shortly for the 2012 Under17 Southern Stars team which combines girls from the Darling Downs, Gold Coast and Northern Rivers. For more information you can contact Jeff Neumann at the AFL office on (07) 4632 2994. Open invitation, the Darling Downs trial day will be held during the June/July school holidays.

Senior Game Previews -



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Game of the Round Seniors -

Avoiding Redbacks Web On The Bombers Radar

Round 9 sees the conclusion of the first round of matches and will give each team a true representation of where they are in the 2012 competition.

The Warwick Redbacks have made their way back into the top four with two consecutive wins and are once again starting to look like the team which made the big day last year. Brendan Iles has once again hit top form after being named in the Qld Stockmen's Team after his representative team performance. Last weekend he emulated Jack Black in the Anchorman taking punts from all angles, although thankfully it wasn't Ron's dog Baxter taking a battering, it was the scoreboard as he slammed on 11. The ex-University player Thye Clarkson has also proved a welcomed introduction into the midfield and when combined with Matthew Sinkins, the forward line will be sure to get plenty of supply.

The South Toowoomba Bombers continued on their winning way last week, notching up victory number six over Highfields. Daniel McPhee was once again strong up forward for the Bombers kicking seven goals to take the lead in Souths goalkicking table with 22. The Bombers have been very slow starters in the past couple of weeks but have blown the opposition away in the second quarter. They will either need to look at their pre-game routine or look to get sponsorship from Ice Break (Real Coffee Ice Cold) to ensure they start the game a bit more switched on this week.

Both teams play hard contested footy with a focus on spreading from the contest and running in waves. The forwards at each end are used to quick supply so it will come down to the defence of each team to decide the contest. If your looking for a game to watch this week head down to Roddies Oval to catch a fantastic game of footy.

Other matchups see the also undefeated Tigers head up to Highfields in a match Highfields will be keen to win to push into the Top 4. University host Dalby in a danger game for the Cougars as Dalby are set to recall a number of Crows players for the match. Lockyer Valley host Goondiwindi in a clash both teams will have been looking forward to all season. Lockyer are yet to record a win since their return to the competition in 2010 and will desperately want to change that this week. Goondiwindi have struggled this year with low player numbers at away games and could field an under strength side in their away clash.

The round promises some exciting matchups with important games for all clubs. University also host Coolaroo in their second Reserves matchup in two weeks. The Roos will no doubt drop a couple of A Grade players back to the second division which will create a far closer contest than the 15 goals loss last week.



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Senior Ladder



Ladder After Round 8

POS	TEAM	P	W	L	D	FF	For	Agst	%	PTS
1	Tigers	6	6	0	0	0	821	204	402.45	24
2	South Toowoomba	6	6	0	0	0	758	249	304.42	24
3	Coolaroo	8	6	2	0	0	908	474	191.56	24
4	Warwick	6	3	3	0	1	576	369	156.10	16
5	Highfields	7	4	3	0	0	646	432	149.54	16
6	University	7	3	4	0	0	701	474	147.89	12
7	Dalby	7	2	5	0	0	513	736	69.70	8
8	Goondiwindi	7	0	7	0	0	243	1195	20.33	0
9	Lockyer Valley	6	0	6	0	0	135	1168	11.56	0

Reserves Ladder



Ladder After Round 4

POS	TEAM	P	W	L	D	FF	For	Agst	%	PTS
1	Souths	3	2	1	0	0	181	72	251.39	8
2	University	2	1	1	0	0	44	88	50.00	8
3	Coolaroo	3	0	1	0	0	28	93	30.11	8

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Junior Ladders



Ladder After Round 8

Under 12

POS	TEAM	P	W	L	D	B	FF	For	Agst	%	PTS
1	Dalby	7	7	0	0	0	1	961	43	2234.88	32
2	University	7	7	0	0	0	1	559	56	998.21	32
3	Highfields	6	4	2	0	0	1	385	109	353.21	20
4	South Toowoomba	7	5	2	0	0	0	456	195	233.85	20
5	Coolaroo	8	3	4	1	0	0	420	258	162.79	14
6	East Stingers	6	2	3	1	0	1	374	302	123.84	14
7	Warwick	6	2	4	0	0	1	228	381	59.84	12
8	Goondiwindi	7	0	7	0	0	1	81	804	10.07	4
9	Lockyer Valley	8	1	7	0	0	0	41	858	4.78	4
10	Pittsworth	2	0	2	0	0	0	24	523	4.59	0

Ladder After Round 8

Under 14

POS	TEAM	P	W	L	D	B	FF	For	Agst	%	PTS
1	Coolaroo	8	7	0	0	1	0	1099	134	820.15	32
2	Dalby	8	5	1	0	2	0	548	107	512.15	28
3	Highfields	7	4	2	0	1	0	638	163	391.41	20
4	University	8	3	3	0	2	0	369	452	81.64	20
5	Warwick	8	3	3	0	2	0	302	474	63.71	20
6	South Toowoomba	7	2	3	0	2	0	437	357	122.41	16
7	Lockyer Valley	8	0	6	0	2	0	118	820	14.39	8
8	Goondiwindi	8	0	6	0	2	0	42	1046	4.02	8

Ladder After Round 8

Under 16

POS	TEAM	P	W	L	D	B	FF	For	Agst	%	PTS
1	Dalby	6	4	1	0	1	2	729	154	473.38	28
2	University	7	5	1	0	1	1	709	214	331.31	28
3	Coolaroo	7	5	1	0	1	1	561	264	212.50	28
4	South Toowoomba	6	3	2	0	1	1	530	337	157.27	20
5	Warwick	7	3	3	0	1	0	435	464	93.75	16
6	Lockyer Valley	8	2	5	0	1	0	438	632	69.30	12
7	Goondiwindi	3	1	1	0	1	0	240	298	80.54	8
8	Highfields	5	0	5	0	0	1	238	586	40.61	4
9	Pittsworth	5	0	4	0	1	0	24	955	2.51	4

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Junior Game Results



Round 8		Under 12		19th May
Score	Home Team	Result	Away Team	Score
2.5-17	Pittsworth	def. by	Lockyer Valley	5.4-34
NRR	Souths	vs	Highfields	NRR
3.3-21	Goondiwindi	def. by	Warwick	6.3-39
2.4-16	East Stingers	def. by	Dalby	15.14-104
3.12-30	University	def	Coolaroo	4.2-26

Round 8		Under 14		19th May
Score	Home Team	Result	Away Team	Score
NRR	Souths	vs	Highfields	NRR
3.5-23	Goondiwindi	def by	Warwick	14.8-92
4.3-27	University	def. by	Coolaroo	25.10-160
Bye	Lockyer Valley	&.	Dalby	

Round 8		Under 16		19th May
Score	Home Team	Result	Away Team	Score
1.3-9	Pittsworth	def. by	Lockyer Valley	21.15-141
NRR	Souths	vs	Highfields	NRR
NRR	Goondiwindi	vs	Warwick	NRR
10.5-65	University	def.	Coolaroo	9.9-63
Bye	Dalby			

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50 Gamers

Congratulations to Coolaroo players Harry Copland (left) and Matt Schmitt (right) on reaching their 50 game milestones.



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JUNIOR PRESENTATION NIGHT

Date: 1 September 2012

Venue: All Seasons Function Centre

Pre-purchase tickets 9th July—19th August

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Junior Game Previews

Game of the Round Juniors -

Top spot up for grabs

Baker Street will host this week's junior game of the round, as the University Cougars host the powerhouse Dalby Swans for the first time this season.

In a rematch of last year's Grand-Final where the Swans won in the dying seconds of the game, the Cougars will be looking for redemption. Dalby will be fresh for this blockbuster, having the bye in round 8. On the other hand USQ are coming off a victory over Coolaroo last week.

Connor Pyke is the go to man for the Cougars booting 18 majors in just 4 games this year. Pyke has booted 5 goals in each of his last 3 games. Dalby defender Dean Buckley will more than likely get the job on the powerhouse forward.

Gaur and Easton have always been the Swans "danger players" but now the young Dalby side are sharing the footy more as Cook, Warford and Ebbage have stood up in the previous week's games.

Though both sides will be missing key players due to Under15 representative duties in Cairns and this is where team's true depths are shown. This time of year it starts to get harder to run out games of footy and the team that shares the footy the most will take this blockbuster out.

It will be a full day at Baker Street, as the Cougars and Swans under 8's, 10's, 12's and 14's also go head to head. In other Round 9 action;

Warwick will host South Toowoomba at Roddies Oval, with all junior age groups in action from 8:40am. Lockyer Valley under 12s will be in action at the Gatton Showgrounds against Goondiwindi. Pittsworth will be hoping to be too powerful for the mighty Roo's at Gold Park in the Under8's, 12's and 16's. Highfields will be looking to Roar and take the sting out of Easts at Kratzke Oval, as the Under 8's and 10's kick proceedings off before the Under 12 game gets under way at 9:45am.



USQ Cougar Luke Murphy in action
Against the Lockyer Valley Demons



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Under 14 South Country Championships 2012 - Results

The 2012 U14 South Country Championships took place last weekend at Highfields AFC with all teams winning 1 of their 2 games played in the round robin format.



The opening game was between hosts the Darling Downs and traditional rivals Wide Bay. The Downs jumped out of the box well leading at every break and by 3 quarter time had opened up a handy 19 point lead. But the Wide Bay found their rhythm in the last term kicking the opening 3 goals to level scores with 1 minute remaining on the clock. A late snap to Darling Downs small forward Kale Ross sealed the win for the demons in the opening game 8.3.51 to 7.3.45

The second game had the Downs boys backing up against a fresh and eager Northern Rivers outfit. The first quarter was a real shootout with the Rivers booting 3 goals straight to the Downs 2 but the local boys couldn't keep up with the run of the Northern Rivers who kicked away in the second term with 3 goals to nil opening up a 16 point lead at the half. While the DD boys tried harder than a Papa Giuseppe frozen pizza in the second half they couldn't reel in the fresh River. Final score Northern Rivers 8.3.51 Darling Downs 4.5.29.

The final round robin game matched the Rivers against a rested Wide Bay and while many had the Rivers as clear favourites for the game the Bay responded in stunning fashion by dominating the second half and running out 32 point winners 8.10.58 to 4.2.26 and in doing so opened up a percentage winning score to take the championships back to the Wide Bay for the second consecutive year.

Day 2 of the championships matched players against each other with all 3 teams being split in accordance of skill level. The opening game had Darling Downs representatives teaming up with the Dalby FC in a mixed game against the Northern Rivers / Wide Bay. While this game was a curtain raiser to the much anticipated possibles Vs probable's game it proved to be the game of the day with both teams showcasing their talent and trading goals throughout the game. In the end the Rivers / Wide Bay combination prevailed by 2 goals in what was a terrific battle.

While the main game was also suspected to be a close encounter this was not the case as Graham Gale's (Wide Bay coach) Probable's gave Paul Jago's (Northern Rivers coach) possibles a real football lesson in the opening half. The probable's went in at half time with a 50 point advantage and kept their opposition goalless throughout the first half. A fight back from the possibles looked about as likely as a sasquatch sighting early in the second half with the probable's booting the opening 2 goals of the third term but an inspiring speech from the possibles coaching staff at the last break kicked their team into gear as they outscored their opposition in the last quarter 3 goals to 2.

Overall the 2 day carnival was a great success and gave talent scouts from the Western Taipans, Gold Coast Stingrays and Sunshine Coast Power a great opportunity to observe the talent on display.

Congratulations to Wide Bay on taking out their 2nd consecutive championships and to all teams on their spirit in which all games were played.

A big thank you goes to the Highfields AFC who provided a magnificent venue for the 2 day carnival and supported the event tremendously especially given that their club teams also competed over the weekend.



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Team of the Week South Toowoomba AFC



Like most clubs on the Darling Downs the South Toowoomba Bombers are served by a small but tireless group of volunteers who donate their time to ensure our club continues to prosper. The efforts of these people don't usually get the recognition they deserve but without them our club would cease to exist. So to them we extend our sincere thanks and encourage others around the club to get involved, it is a truly rewarding experience.

We are also fortunate enough to have a great bunch of sponsors who donate vital funds to keep the club afloat. Darling Downs Express Transport, Petstock, Whaittaker's Electrical, Master Hire, The Mill St Tavern and Sowerby's Towing have supported us through thick and thin over the years and their support is greatly appreciated.

There are some exciting times ahead for our club. For years we have been based at Harristown Park which has served us well as we have grown, unfortunately we now find it necessary to seek an alternate home as we have become too big for our current facility. We have been in talks with Toowoomba Regional Council over the past few months as we explore our options moving forward and we hope to have a new home locked in prior to the end of the season, if so you can all look forward to improved facilities when you visit us next year.

On the field things are looking up for the Bombers, our Under 8's and 10's have great numbers and are being taught to enjoy their football under great coaches in Bert Ham and Jason Anderson. The Under 12's are also improving each week under the guidance of club playboy Mick Gilmore and his understudy Tommy Wainwright, Zac Smith has stepped up to take the reins of our Under 14's and is doing a stellar job while Andrew Smith once again imparts his football wisdom on our Under 16 lads. The seniors side has drawn the short straw and is being coached by a clown, Shaun Reardon, how he got the job is anyone's guess??

The senior's have one of the more "unique" team songs going around. For those of you that have heard the Jellyfish song belted out after a victory it probably leaves you wondering what the hell the South's boys are on?? When the club formed as the Central Bombers everything was thought of except what to sing after a victory. One of our players, Aaron Rowe, was a primary school teacher and he came up with the only song he could think of, Jellyfish. Very childish I know but it has become somewhat of an institution at the club and we hope to have a few more stirring renditions before season's end.



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Crows Corner

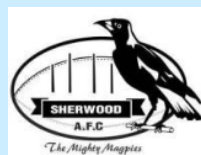


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Under 14



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Under 14 v Sherwood AFC Round 4

Rockville Oval, Toowoomba Sunday 27th May 12:30pm

Under 18



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Under 18 v UQ Bulldogs FC Round 6

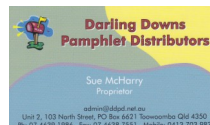
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RESULTS

May 20th Under 18 Crows 10.11-71 def Wynnum FC 8.6-54



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Dalby vs Coolaroo—Keith Neumann clears under the pump from the Dalby defence

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