



# AFL VICTORIA

VFL & TAC CUP WEEK 4  
GRAND FINALS  
SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 22, 2013

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**PETER JACKSON VFL GRAND FINAL  
GEELONG CATS  
VS  
BOX HILL HAWKS**



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**TAC CUP GRAND FINAL  
EASTERN RANGES  
VS  
DANDENONG STINGRAYS**

## Slow down this season.

**Speed hurts.**

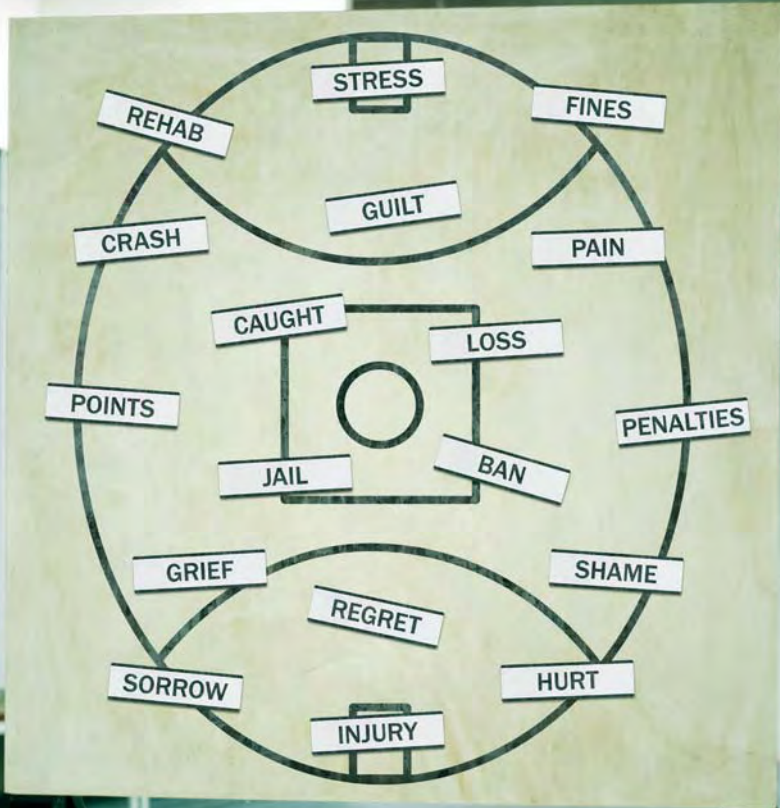


**Geelong Cats 24.16-160 d Williamstown 11.12-78**





**Box Hill Hawks 22.12-144 d Werribee Tigers 14.8-92**



If you speed, you're in  
for a tough game.

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# Farewell to season 2013

**WELCOME to the final day of State League football in Victoria for 2013 as AFL Victoria celebrates the end of the season with the Peter Jackson VFL and TAC Cup Grand Finals.**

It's an opportunity for followers right across the State to join in the footy feast offered by the respective teams that have won their way to the Grand Finals.

Certainly, the twin-billing at Etihad Stadium promises to produce a couple of enthralling high quality games.

Reigning VFL premiers Geelong, riding a season and club-high 13 game winning streak, go head-to-head with Box Hill Hawks, which makes its first Grand Final appearance since 2003.

Former Richmond great and Essendon coach Matthew Knights is eyeing off two premierships in as many years at Geelong while Damian Carroll, a three-time premierships hero with Springvale as a VFL player, is hoping to savor his first flag as a coach.

And, Dandenong Southern Stingrays, consigned to runners-up four times, must overcome Eastern Ranges, playing in its first Grand Final since 2004, to win its first ever TAC Cup premiership.

Graeme Yeats, the longest current serving coach in the TAC Cup competition, has taken the Stingrays to three Grand Finals in the past nine years, while this is the first Grand Final for Ranges coach, former Essendon great Darren Bewick.

These two tantalizing Grand Finals have eventuated from a season littered with highlights in the respective competitions where numerous players have performed so well and are likely to attract the attention of AFL recruiters in the upcoming drafts.

And, it's been an historic season in more ways than one.

First, there was a triple dead-heat in the J.J. Liston Trophy, the highest individual honour in the Peter Jackson VFL with North Ballarat's Stephen Clifton, Box Hill Hawks' Mitch

Hallahan and Geelong's Jordan Schroder sharing the Liston.

Not to be outdone, the Morrish Medal, for the best player in the TAC Cup, produced a four-way tie!

Geelong Falcons George Cameron, Eastern Ranges' Ben Cavarra, Bendigo Pioneer's Jacob Chisari and Gippsland Power's Josh Scott all took home a Morrish Medal.

During the season we witnessed North Ballarat coach Gerard FitzGerald enter rarefied territory when he joined Bill Faul as just the second VFL/VFA coach to coach 300 games. What an extraordinary achievement and one we certainly congratulate 'Fitzy' on.

While both the Peter Jackson VFL and TAC Cup have no shortage of recognised stars, it would be remiss not to acknowledge the behind the scenes 'stars' – the band of tireless, hard-working volunteers who are the heart-beat of their clubs.

AFL Victoria is also very fortunate to have so many valued partners who have supported the respective competitions.

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Enjoy what shapes as a memorable day on the Victorian football calendar.

Grant Williams

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**Cover photo:** VFL: Box Hill Hawks coach Damian Carroll with Geelong coach Matthew Knights

TAC Cup: Eastern Ranges coach Darren Bewick with Dandenong Stingrays coach Graeme Yeats

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Sunday September 22: Eastern Ranges vs Dandenong Stingrays

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# GRAND FINAL PREVIEW: Geelong vs Box Hill Hawks

**It has been over a decade since Box Hill Hawks' last premiership win, and they face a tough challenge in trying to stop flag favourite Geelong winning back to back flags.**

**We preview the 2013 Peter Jackson VFL Legendary Grand Final.**

DAMIAN Carroll is no stranger to Grand Final day.

The Box Hill Hawks coach played in three premierships with Springvale when it was a powerhouse of the competition back in the late 1990s.

It would have been four, but a broken jaw suffered weeks earlier stopped him.

One of the many things that characterized Carroll during his marvelous 233 game career was that he relished a challenge.

He is certain to encounter one heck of a fight today.

Carroll returns to a VFL Grand Final for the first time as coach with the enormity of the challenge facing his players not lost on him as they face a rampaging reigning premier in Geelong.

Many believe Geelong is a far more formidable team than the one that defeated Port Melbourne after an engrossing duel at Etihad Stadium last September.

Geelong enters today's Peter Jackson VFL Legendary Grand Final as an overwhelming favorite on the back not only of a winning streak of 13 games, but the manner in which they've gone about those wins.

The VFL Cats just haven't fallen over the line – its average winning margin in a streak that dates back to late May is 68 points!

And, that includes lead-up finals wins of 49-points against Casey Scorpions in the Qualifying Final and 82-points against Williamstown in last week's Preliminary Final.

That's dominant by anyone's assessment.

It's against that back drop that Box Hill Hawks enters its first Grand Final since 2003.

By contrast, Geelong is shaping up for its fourth Grand Final in that time with the VFL Cats having won the flag in 2007 and, of course, last year.

While Geelong is gaining all the rave reviews, and rightly



*Eyes on the premiership cup - (left to right) Damian Carroll, Daniel Pratt, Troy Selwood & Matthew Knights.*



David Mirra



Matt Sully

so, what should not be overlooked is that Box Hill Hawks is also on a roll.

The VFL Hawks has won its past seven games with its average winning margin sitting at an impressive 42 points.

With such a formline on most occasions it would be enough to install Box Hill Hawks as favorites, but not against Geelong.

What Carroll and the Box Hill Hawks players will also be able to draw upon is that they ran Geelong to five points – the Cats smallest winning margin for the season – back in

its Round 3 match at Simonds Stadium.

Putting that match in context is that Geelong fielded 11 VFL players and it's unlikely there will be more than six in today's team.

Box Hill Hawks team that ended Werribee's season in last week's Preliminary Final included 14 AFL listed Hawthorn players. It's expected there may be an increase of one or two to that number this week.

Certainly, both clubs will be able to call upon the full complement of its AFL affiliate with both Hawthorn and



Geelong squaring off in a Preliminary Final last Friday night.

One of the biggest challenges facing Carroll is shutting down Geelong's scoring ability. The VFL Cats have averaged 121 points per game.

It has a multi-pronged attack headlined by Shane Kersten, who has been in white hot form since returning from injury.

Kersten has kicked 28 goals in the seven games he's played since coming back into the team. He kicked four in the first half of the Preliminary Final before he was rested.

But, it's not only Kersten that presents a worry. Tall forwards Josh Walker and Ryan Bathie have kicked 14 and 12 goals respectively in their past four matches.

And, then there's a fleet of goal-kicking midfielders – Messrs Corrigan, Stringer, Horlin-Smith, Schroder, Burbury, Gleeson.

It's seemingly endless.

Box Hill Hawks defence, led by Kyle Cheney, David Mirra, Tom Gordon and Angus Litherland did a great job subduing Werribee's key forwards of Ben McKinley, Ben Warren and goal sneak Addam Maric last week.

They will need to replicate that performance this week.

It's no secret that Geelong's midfield has been virtually unstoppable. Coach Matthew Knights can roll so many players through there with great effect.

Apart from the above mentioned players throw in the speedy Jordan Murdoch and, of course, captain Troy Selwood and Billie Smedts.

Box Hill Hawks midfield is also its strength. Liston Trophy winner Mitch Hallahan would be playing AFL in about a dozen other clubs so dominant has he been.

Hallahan, Shane Savage and Jonathan Simpkin (who could play in back to back Grand Finals for different sides) showed their class against Werribee, but there was also much to like about rookie Will Langford and Mitch O'Donnell.

Both youngsters were among the VFL Hawks best last week.

Hawthorn veteran Michael Osborne has been fantastic for all the young players. His experience along with club best and fairest Sam Iles will be pivotal for Box Hill Hawks.

Geelong was superbly served in the ruck last week by AFL premiership ruckman Trent West who put on a clinic winning an extraordinary 55 hit outs.

Curbing West is a massive job for young Hawthorn ruckman Luke Lowden and Jonathon Ceglar.

Unlike Geelong, Box Hill Hawks don't have a go-to-guy in attack. They've relied on Sam Grimley, Bryce Retzlaff, Luke Tobin, Lowden, Ceglar and Osborne to share the goal kicking load.

All will need to be at their best as Geelong's defence, led by Mitch Brown, Matt Sully, Cam Eardley and Jackson Sheringham, is miserly and suffocating.

Whatever way you look at it Box Hill Hawks faces a mountain of challenges and while they will rise to many of them, it's hard to imagine them stopping Geelong.

## Last Time They Met

### GRAND FINAL



VS



#### GEELONG VS BOX HILL HAWKS

Head to Head - Played: 20

Geelong: 9

Box Hill: 11

Last time they met (2013):

Rd 3, Geelong 12.17.89 d Box Hill Hawks 12.12.84

#### High/low scores (vs this week's opponent)

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Box Hill: 21.20.146 (2005) / 9.8362 (2012)



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# HEAD TO HEAD

## with AFL Victoria General Manager Grant Williams

**THE AFL Victoria Record caught up with AFL Victoria General Manager Grant Williams leading up to the finale to the Peter Jackson VFL and TAC Cup season.**

### **RECORD (R): How do you reflect on season 2013?**

GRANT WILLIAMS (GW): Both the Peter Jackson VFL and TAC Cup competitions have been very competitive. The 2013 Peter Jackson VFL season has been extremely even as evidenced by the fact that there was 10 clubs vying for a place in the final eight heading into the last home and away round. While the VFL representative team was defeated in the State match in Western Australia, it was a very young team that provided the majority of the players a first time opportunity to represent Victoria and play at a higher level. The TAC Cup competition has provided talent pathway opportunities for more than 400 aspiring young footballers from community football Leagues around the state.

### **R: What did you see as the highlights of the season?**

GW: There were many. Certainly, the number (19) of graduates from the TAC Cup selected in various AFL Drafts

at the end of last year who made their AFL debut in 2013 was positive. So, too, the progression of VFL players selected after last season by AFL Clubs. Seven of the nine VFL players drafted played in the AFL this year.

It is also worth noting that 29 of the 36 VFL players that have been drafted in the past three years out of the VFL have played at least one AFL game. These facts along with the story of Port Melbourne's Sam Dwyer, a winner of the A Todd Medal for best and fairest in the Development League in 2007, a VFL State representative, who played 21 games for Collingwood this year, have been extremely pleasing outcomes and highlight the pathway and opportunity offered by the VFL competitions.

Matt Jones, who played every game for Melbourne, after being drafted from Box Hill Hawks, and Brett Goodes, a former North Ballarat premiership player and Williamstown player, who played every game with Western Bulldogs before injury ended his season, are other great VFL stories from last year.

It was a season where we had multiple winners in the J.J. Liston Trophy – Stephen Clifton (North Ballarat), Mitch Hallahan (Box Hill Hawks) and Jordan Schroder (Geelong) – and the Morrish Medal – George Cameron (Geelong Falcons), Ben Cavarra (Eastern Ranges), Jacob Chisari (Bendigo Pioneers) and Josh Scott (Gippsland).

Geelong's VFL team takes a winning streak of 13 games – a club record – into today's Grand Final; Dean Galea won his second successive Jim 'Frosty' Miller Medal in dramatic fashion with a goal late in the last quarter of the final home and away match to take him past Frankston's Michael Lourey. And, in the TAC Cup we saw Josh Scott become the competition's first leading goal kicker to win a Morrish Medal. It was a memorable season for a whole host of reasons.

### **R: Did the loss to the WAFL in the State match & SA winning the NAB AFL U18 Championships this year damage Victoria's status as the number one football State?**

GW: From time to time there will be different results that eventuate for a myriad of reasons. Whether it as simple as the cyclic nature of football results or the fact that the role of State games is changing with more emphasis on





the developing of players within a competition. Travelling to Perth and then playing in regional WA presented some challenges for the young group that simply got overrun in the last quarter after being in relative control for much of the game. Victoria's representative performances at the various levels have once again been very strong and I don't believe it will develop into a trend that will impact on our State's football reputation. Victoria will once again perform strongly in the draft results at the end of this year.

**R: How do you interpret the graduation of TAC Cup and VFL players selected in various AFL Drafts over recent seasons who made their AFL debuts this season?**

GW: As noted earlier, the results of TAC Cup and VFL players progressing to the AFL have been very pleasing and endorse the talented player programs that exist in Victoria including the important contribution that the community football Leagues in Victoria make. The 23rd player at VFL level continues to play an important role – a player straight from the TAC Cup from the previous year, a current TAC Cup player or a first year VFL player – as it enables more players to play in the VFL, against AFL listed players, to challenge themselves and perform in front of AFL recruiters. Interestingly, three of the four Morrish medalists from this year, Cameron, Chisari and Scott, all played VFL football this season.

**R: What is the situation with Bendigo, which was largely uncompetitive in season 2013, going forward?**

GW: AFL Victoria is supportive of the recent move made by Bendigo Gold to determine whether the club can achieve the level of support required from the Bendigo football community and other key stakeholders to participate as stand-alone club in the VFL competition. We have witnessed firsthand the tireless work of the current and previous Board members and management to build a sustainable, successful, and competitive VFL club.



*Bendigo Gold coach Aussie Jones*

The club recognises that it needs additional community support, a permanent and suitable facility that they can call their own and a more robust business model. Executive Chairman Tim Dickson, the Bendigo Gold Board and Coach Aussie Jones have devoted a considerable amount of time and energy to establish a positive culture within the club, one that also contributes to the Bendigo community.

Like all VFL clubs, Bendigo Gold has ongoing requirements to fulfill within their VFL Licence Agreement, which currently includes the 2014 season. We have been, and will continue to be supportive of a Bendigo based team participating in the VFL. Practically though, this will be determined by whether the club can establish and maintain a viable and sustainable club model that will deliver community outcomes, pathway opportunities for regional players and a competitive football team.

**R: Season 2014 will see the competition expanded to 16 teams. Is that a good thing?**

GW: Over the course of the past few months there has been regular consultation with all VFL and AFL Clubs involved about the structure of the competition into the



*The 2013 VFL State team*

future. One of the clear messages to emerge from these meetings has been that all clubs indicated that the VFL should continue to have a mixture of AFL listed players and VFL listed players, with a strong focus on development. Accordingly, the current model where there is a mix of stand-alone AFL teams, VFL Clubs and aligned VFL/AFL Clubs will continue.

All VFL Clubs indicated that they wanted to play in a competition that was the highest level outside of the AFL – the second tier. VFL Clubs have made it clear that they prefer this over somehow being part of a separate competition that could potentially be viewed as “third tier” competition – which they believe would result from having separate competitions for AFL teams and VFL Clubs. It is worth noting that next year the interstate AFL Clubs in South Australia and Western Australia will field either stand-alone teams or form alignments with State League clubs in the SANFL and WAFL competitions to have their AFL listed players play together.

#### **R: What changes will occur in the VFL in 2014?**

GW: Well apart from the increase from 14 to 16 teams in the VFL, we may also see Punt Road and Whitten Oval again be used for games. These venues, of course, will need to meet minimum standards in terms of facilities, change rooms, coaches boxes, etc. Some improvements will be needed and this could take time and these clubs may play a number of their “home” games on the road. However, in the long term, these iconic venues will host VFL games regularly again.

#### **R: What about the TAC Cup competition?**

GW: Whilst discussions are only in their early stages, there is a possibility that representatives teams from Qld, NSW/ACT, NT and Tasmania may play some more games in the TAC Cup competition. Whether or not this happens will be all part of our planning over the next few months.

#### **R: Apart from the progression of TAC Cup and VFL players to the AFL, the graduation of Victorian umpires is also impressive. What does that say about our umpires?**

GW: We talk a lot about the players that Victoria produces but the state also has a fantastic record in producing quality umpires. This is another reason why the VFL competition is important for the AFL competition, the stats speak for themselves. In the past five years, 27 umpires (field, boundary & goal) from the VFL have been promoted to the AFL Umpiring Squad. Of the 100 umpires in the 2012 AFL squad, 57 were Victorian (57%). In addition, the majority of AFL Field Umpires on the 2012 AFL Umpiring List were Victorian - 23 of 33 AFL Field Umpires (70%).

#### **R: What is the biggest challenge facing Victorian football?**

GW: The health and well being of any competition is very much dependant on the clubs involved, and the VFL competition is no different. VFL Clubs work very hard at being productive, viable and successful entities that can provide a quality and enjoyable environment for their players, staff and supporters. More than ever clubs have to engage and embrace their local communities and adjust to the changing demographics within many local areas.

One of the great attractions of the VFL is the high quality standard of football that is readily accessible to followers of the game. Families are always welcome to come down with their children, spread out a rug and enjoy a pleasant afternoon. There is always the opportunity of watching emerging young talent as well as seasoned AFL stars as we saw this season with Joel Corey, Alan Didak and Daniel Cross, to name a few, playing in the VFL.

And, the fans have access to the ground at all breaks to have a kick of the footy or listen to the coaches. That personal involvement sets it apart.



*Former Port Melbourne player Sam Dwyer had a stellar debut season for Collingwood in the AFL*



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# VFL MEDIA GRAND FINAL TIPS

**Who has the media tipped for the premiership flag this year? Find out their thoughts:**

## James Hunter Smith (Herald Sun)

**Winner and margin:** Geelong, 21 points

**Why they will win:** Can you really tip against Geelong? It's not only the fact they've won 13-straight games, but it's the fashion in which they're winning. They're a strong outfit in all areas of the ground -- particularly that frightening midfield -- and they've proven this season they're the best team in the VFL. Box Hill is a dangerous outfit in its own right, but Geelong should have a bit too much class for this one.

**Norm Goss Medal (best on ground):** George Horlin-Smith (Geelong)

## Phil Cleary (ABC)

**Winner and margin:** Geelong by 25 points

**Why they will win:** Geelong has a marginally more dangerous midfield than Box Hill with marking forwards who take their chances.

**Norm Goss Medal:** George Horlin-Smith (Geelong)

## Darren Boyd (ABC)

**Winner and margin:** Geelong, 31 points.

**Why they will win:** I think it's impossible to tip against the Cats. They are a wonderful team; powerful and skilled in every area of the ground. Their ability to absorb and apply pressure is better than any team in the VFL. Plus, the experience of 2012 when they were challenged in every finals match, including the Grand Final, will be priceless when the big moments inevitably arise.

**Norm Goss Medal:** Jesse Stringer (Geelong)

## Peter Marcato (VFL Radio)

**Grand Final winner & margin:** Geelong by 23 points

**Why they will win:** Been the form side all season, kick big scores and are very hard to defend.

**Norm Goss Medal:** Mark Corrigan (Geelong)

## Ross Booth (ABC)

**Grand Final winner & margin:** Geelong 11 points

**Why they will win:** Geelong has stronger more physical bodies especially in the midfield and a more even spread of talent across the ground. Box Hill's tails may be its Achilles heel.

**Norm Goss Medal:** Josh Cowan (Geelong)

## Nigel Carmody (VFL Radio)

**Grand Final winner & margin:** Geelong by 20 points

**Why they will win:** Scoring power has been the outstanding feature of their game all year. Over 100 points in 17 consecutive matches and they spread the load in this area. Key forwards Shane Kersten, Josh Walker and Ryan Bathie are threats in the air or at ground level, and their crumbing forwards clean up whatever is left. I think Box Hill defend brilliantly but the Cats will get enough opportunities from their midfield to kick a winning score.

**Norm Goss Medal:** George Horlin-Smith (Geelong)

## Paul Amy (Leader)

**Grand Final winner & margin:** Geelong by 17 points

**Why they will win:** The Cats have added two emphatic finals victories to their 16-2 home-and-away record and look Superman-

strong on every line. But the Hawks, with a good midfield and worthy forward targets, have more than a chink of hope.

**Norm Goss Medal:** Mark Corrigan (Geelong)

## Brent Diamond (The Age)

**Grand Final winner & margin:** Box Hill Hawks by 9 points

**Why they will win:** Should be a classic finish that could go either way. Geelong has been the benchmark all season yet Box Hill has shown a steely resolve to match the best when it counts. Hawks in a tight one on a gut feel.

**Norm Goss Medal prediction:** Sam Iles (Box Hill Hawks)

## Mark Stone (VFL Radio)

**Grand Final winner & margin:** Geelong by 40 points

**Why they will win:** To many goal scoring options for Box Hill to try and contain.

**Norm Goss Medal:** George Burbury (Geelong)

## Paul Hooper (3WBC)

**Grand Final winner & margin:** Box Hill Hawks by 17-points

**Why they will win:** Geelong are overwhelming favourites but Box Hill are peaking at the perfect time. The Cats will have their hands full with the Hawks tails of Lowden, Grimley, Retzlaff, Ceglar and Spangher. I hope we see an open, free-flowing game.

**Norm Goss Medal:** Sam Iles (Box Hill Hawks)

## Liam Twomey (Star Newspaper)

**Grand Final winner & margin:** Geelong by 30

**Why they will win:** The Cats know what it takes to get the job done on the big stage and are an incredible team.

**Norm Goss Medal:** George Horlin-Smith (Geelong)

## Tom King (K-Rock)

**Grand Final winner & margin:** Geelong by 17 points

**Norm Goss Medal:** Jesse Stringer (Geelong)

Nick Wade (Geelong Advertiser)

**Grand Final winner & margin:** Geelong by 21

**Why they will win:** Cats are playing arguably their best footy of the year and have match-winners on every line. But based on recent form, if one team can challenge the Cats, it's the Hawks.

**Norm Goss Medal:** Mitch Brown (Geelong)

## Peter Holden (VFL Radio)

**Grand Final winner & margin:** Geelong by 42 points

**Why they will win:** The bigger bodies of Geelong have been running a rampage through the comp all year. Proven last weekend when they broke any tackle attempts with ease. Cats go back to back.

**Norm Goss Medal:** Shane Kersten (Geelong)

## VERDICT:

Geelong	12
Box Hill Hawks	2



# AFL VICTORIA DEVELOPMENT LEAGUE PREMIERS - Williamstown



# Williamstown wins by golden score

**Williamstown has claimed the 2013 AFL Victoria Development League premiership against a fast finishing Box Hill Hawks, winning by a golden point.**

If you want to delve deep into the gamut of emotions of unbridled exhilaration to gut-wrenching agony, grab hold of a video of the final moments of the AFL Victoria Development League Grand Final.

Grand Finals always produce varying emotions, but how often is a premiership decided by the 'golden point rule'?

Okay, there was one in the TAC Cup Grand Final last year that Box Hill Hawks Ryan Exon played in. What are the odds of him playing in another the next year?

Well, he did.

For the first time ever the Development League premiership spilled into extra time when Williamstown and Box Hill Hawks were locked together on 84-points.

Williamstown, thanks to wretched conversion, had amassed 11.18 (84) while Box Hill Hawks kicked 12.12 (84).

It seemed bizarre that Williamstown would find itself having to play extra time after bounding away to a seemingly flag-winning lead, but more about that later.

Rules called for the Grand Final to be determined by the first team that kicked a golden score, whether it was a goal or point.

For about seven minutes emotions were stretched beyond belief as neither club could register what would be a premiership-winning score.

Finally, the ball literally bounced Williamstown's way.

A shanked shot for goal by Josh Bench, who would later win the Fred Hill Medal for best-on-the-ground in the Development League Grand Final, was partially stopped by a Box Hill Hawks opponent.

But, the ball seemed to have a mind of its own.

It rolled teasingly close to the point post, which would have necessitated a throw-in, but sneaked by the post with centimetres to give the Seagulls the premiership.

By anyone's definition it was an extraordinary end to what had been an extraordinary match.

Williamstown, the flag favorite on the back of its dominant season-long form, seemed to be cruising to an inevitable premiership.

At the 11-minute mark of the third quarter, the Seagulls held a 37-point lead; a margin most thought would prove more than enough.

Box Hill Hawks, which had managed just three goals to that third-quarter juncture, suddenly sprang to life.

The VFL Hawks kicked nine of the next 11-goals of the match to lock up the scores at the 26-minute mark of the final quarter.

And, then ensured an emotional roller-coaster ride that had to be seen to be believed.

For Williamstown it was its fifth Development League premiership since 2002 while Box Hill has won four and played in the past six Grand Finals.

Both clubs should be congratulated on its unswerving commitment to developing young talent.

It's a match that will live forever in the minds of all involved.

**Williamstown 11.18 (84) defeated  
Box Hill Hawks 12.12 (84)**





# Cats prove unstoppable

**A dominant second term set up Geelong's victory against Williamstown, booking a berth in today's Grand Final.**

SCARY, just plain scary.

Many words could be used to describe Geelong's mauling of Williamstown in the Preliminary Final, but the above adjective best describes the dominant performance.

Geelong stretched its winning streak to 13, which stretches back to late May, with a performance, which from an opposition perspective was, well, ahem, downright scary.

Consider that for the first 11 minutes of the game, effectively half a quarter, the Cats were kept goal less by Williamstown, which endeavored to make it a contest to contest match.

Consider also that at the 30-minute mark of the first term, Geelong's lead over the Seagulls was two points as Williamstown was doing its best to suffocate Geelong's signature movement and free-flowing game.

Now consider what happened over the remaining three quarters – Geelong moved into over drive and Williamstown was effectively left as spectators.

From the 30-minute mark of the first quarter until 12-minutes into the third quarter, Geelong kicked 11.5 while Williamstown kicked 0.6.

As it was Geelong posted its biggest ever score against Williamstown as it progressed to its second successive Grand Final on the back of a 24.16 (160) to 11.12 (78) victory.

And, this was from a Seagulls team that destroyed Port Melbourne by nearly 15-goals the week before.

Williamstown discovered the gulf between it, and for that matter the rest of the competition, and Geelong is Grand Canyon-like.

Not only did Geelong kick 11 unanswered goals at one stage, but they did it with nonchalant ease.

Such was the state of the game at half time that

the VFL Cats decided to rest star forward Shane Kersten, who had kicked four first half goals and threatened to kick double digits.

As has been the case all season, Geelong had an army of players that impacted on the match.

George Horlin-Smith, Jesse Stringer, Jordan Murdoch, Trent West, Cam Eardley, Mitch Brown, etc., etc. There was an endless list of players who performed their role and helped Geelong tighten its hold on the 2013 premiership.

Williamstown, which lost another Western Bulldog – Tom Campbell – from the team that defeated Port Melbourne, was simply outclassed.

Ex-Coburg Tiger Willie Wheeler highlighted why he's favorite to win Williamstown's best and fairest, the Seagulls appear to have unearthed a talent in Jack Johnstone and, as usual, captain Ben Jolley was busy as always.

But, as Williamstown will testify they were on the receiving end of a belting from a scarily good Geelong.

**GEELONG 24.16 (160) defeated  
WILLIAMSTOWN 11.12 (78)**

*Cameron Wood (left) and Trent West in action*



# Hawks return to Grand Final stage

**FOR the third successive year, Werribee's season ended in the Preliminary Final.**

At least, the VFL Tigers didn't have to endure the heartache of falling so agonizingly close to a Grand Final appearance as it did the previous season.

Box Hill Hawks effectively had its Grand Final date booked from midway through the third quarter.

The arm wrestle that the VFL Hawks found itself in from midway through the first term to midway through the third began to fade.

From the time that Hawthorn's Shane Savage, who showed himself to be in a different class, took a 'screamer' and kicked the second of his match high five goals it was apparent the end was nigh for Werribee.

Savage's goal gave Box Hill Hawks a 19-point lead and although Ben Brown reduced it by six points minutes later, it was to be the last resistant from Werribee.

Box Hill Hawks kicked eight of the final 10 goals of the match to coast to a 52-point victory 22.12 (144) to 14.8 (92).

Apart from Savage, who shone like a Vegas billboard, the VFL Hawks were well served by Will Langford, Jonathan Simpkin, Mitch Hallahan and Mitch O'Donnell in the midfield.

They above-mentioned quartet provided the supply for a bevy of forwards to step forward and kick goals.

Werribee always looked shaky, none more so than when Box Hill Hawks kicked the opening goal 34 seconds after the first bounce and then the first five goals of the match. To its great credit, Werribee rebounded strongly.

Such was the rally from the VFL Tigers that 16-minutes after it found itself staring at what appeared to be a match-losing start, it was soon just two points behind when Luke McDonald kicked a goal that had as much spin on it as any of Shane Warne's world class deliveries.

And, the wrestle would ensure for the first 15-minutes of the second term.

Whenever Box Hill Hawks would kick a goal, Werribee would answer, virtually immediately.

While Werribee had worked itself back into the match thanks to the brilliant display from young forward Jye Bolton, McDonald, Brett Meredith and Scott Clouston, Box Hill Hawks never surrendered the lead.

Twice, at the 12-minute mark and then two minutes later, Werribee drew level with Box Hill Hawks, but the VFL Tigers could not summon a goal to generate further momentum.

Much of that had to do with the strong Box Hill Hawks defence who shackled two of the Bens – McKinley and Warren. David Mirra shut down Warren while McKinley couldn't break free of Messrs Gordon, Cheney or Litherland.

Four unanswered goals in the second half of the second quarter provided Box Hill Hawks with enough of a buffer to take charge.

While Bolton and Brown, who combined for eight of Werribee's 12 goals, did their best to lift their teammates, Box Hill Hawks were too strong all over the ground.

It left Werribee, led by its tenacious captain Robbie Castello, who announced that this would be his last VFL season, to deal with another summer of being so close, but in reality far enough away to hurt.

**BOX HILL HAWKS 22.12 (144) defeated  
WERRIBEE TIGERS 14.8 (92)**



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# Season Review

## We take a look back at season 2013 in the Peter Jackson VFL.

FOR those with a penchant for theatrics, the VFL delivered in spades this year.

For openers the 19-round season went down to the wire with 10 clubs vying for a place in the eight in the final home and away round.

Expansion VFL club Essendon, against the most extraordinary season-long back drop staved off North Ballarat to lock away a final's berth while Williamstown snuffed Northern Blues aspirations for finals action.

And, in the same final home and away round, Port Melbourne spearhead Dean Galea secured a second Jim 'Frosty' Miller Medal in the most remarkable circumstances.

Galea, only a 50-50 chance to play in the last match after battling injury, entered the match against Coburg, needing six goals to draw level with Frankston's Michael Lourey, who was the clubhouse leader.

At three-quarter time Galea still needed to kick three goals to grab back to back goal kicking titles. After he bungled

a sitter, the crown appeared lost, but Galea rebounded to kick the required three goals and claim the 'Frosty' Miller Medal by one.

More drama was to follow the next week when three players – North Ballarat's Stephen Clifton, Geelong's Jordan Schroder and Box Hill Hawks' Mitch Hallahan – could not be separated at the end of a thrilling J J Liston Trophy count. The latter two players will square off in the Grand Final today.

It was the first ever triple deadheat in Liston Trophy history and only the second time there had been more than two winners.

Back in 1990 Steve Harkins (Port Melbourne), Matt Burrows (Preston), Stuart Nichol (Springvale) and Joe Garbuio were locked in a four-way tie for the Liston.

Clifton, winner of the 2010 Liston, joins six other players – Alan Poore (1965-66), Laurie Hill (1968-70), Vic Aanensen (1979-81), Billy Swan (1982-83), David Robbins (2000-03) and Shane Valenti (2010-11) – as dual Liston trophy winners.



2013 Liston Trophy winners: Mitch Hallahan, Jordan Schroder and Steve Clifton

Kane Lambert finished one vote behind Clifton, Hallahan and Schroder in the Liston count, but he was recognised as the Fothergill Round Medalist, awarded to the player aged 23 or younger with the most potential to take his game to the AFL.

Former VFL players Sam Dwyer (Port Melbourne), Matt Jones (Box Hill Hawks), Brett Goodes (Williamstown), Kyle Hartigan (Werribee), Kyle Martin (Frankston), Leigh Osborne (Frankston), Jack Frost (Williamstown) and Shane Biggs (Bendigo Bombers) all made their AFL debuts.

Jones played every game for Melbourne, likewise Goodes for Western Bulldogs before injury ended his season while Dwyer, a winner of the A Todd Medal for best and fairest in the Development League in 2007, played 21 games for Collingwood.

It took to 29 players from the 36 drafted over the past three years who have progressed to play AFL – a record that once again illustrates the talent depth in the VFL and how many ready-made League footballers are waiting for an opportunity.

Season 2013 was also laced with strong historic overtones.

Legendary North Ballarat coach Gerard FitzGerald became

just the second coach in the history of the VFA/VFL to coach 300 games.

FitzGerald, who has coached North Ballarat to three premierships, joined Bill Faul as the only coaches in the exclusive 300 games coached club.

Sometime midway through next season FitzGerald, who was given a two-year coaching extension by the Roosters, will take ownership from Faul a record he's held for more than half a century.

FitzGerald wasn't the only coach to reach a milestone.

During the season Gary Ayres coached Port Melbourne for the 117th time, which meant he had coached the Borough for longer than he coached either Adelaide or Geelong.

Williamstown coach Peter German, who began his VFL coaching career at Casey Scorpions, coached his 100th VFL game.

Port Melbourne captain John Baird and his premiership teammate Sam Pleming became VFL Life Members when they reached their 175 VFL game.

Former Werribee captain and best and fairest winner and Geelong premiership player Dom Gleeson also joined Baird and Pleming as the most recent player inductees to the VFL Life Member ranks.



*North Ballarat coach Gerard FitzGerald coached his 300th VFL game back in Round 12 this year.*



*It was a big year for Geelong's Dom Gleeson, playing his 175th VFL game and captaining the VFL team*

Gleeson captained the VFL State representative team that found Western Australia a too formidable opponent as the host State inflicted a 17-point defeat at the provincial venue of Northam.

Geelong owns the longest winning streak of the season, currently standing at 13 and still counting as they go into today's Grand Final against Box Hill.

The VFL Cats started their winning run in Round 8 and there was nothing flukey about it – Geelong's average winning margin was 11 goals.

And, Geelong owned the biggest score of the season – its 35.17.227 against Bendigo, which endured a win-less introduction as an expansion club in 2013.

The VFL Cats score erased its previous highest VFL score, ironically, kicked against Bendigo in 2001.

Casey Scorpions also extended a streak it would gladly abandon – it lost its 10th successive finals match when Werribee completed its exit from the finals for the fourth successive season.

Season 2013 also brought to an end of two long-standing alliances between Coburg Tigers and Richmond and Williamstown and Western Bulldogs.

From 2014 all four clubs will enter a stand-alone club in the competition with VFL games returning to the Punt Road Oval and Whitten Oval, subject to both grounds meeting a number of minimum standard requirements.





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## DRAW IN VFL GRAND FINAL

What happens when the scores are tied at the end of four quarters in the Peter Jackson VFL Grand Final? We walk you through what will happen.

### EXTRA TIME

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# VFL Grand Final flashbacks

Justin Jenvey takes a look at the last five VFL Grand Finals, and how they were won.

## 2012 - Geelong 14.24.108 def. Port Melbourne 11.9.75

Geelong claimed their third VFL premiership when they defeated Port Melbourne by 33 points in the 2012 season finale. The Cats kicked the last four goals of the match to run away with the game after no more than two goals had separated the sides for three quarters.

Port Melbourne led by four points at quarter time and two points at half time but Geelong overturned the margin and went in to the last change with a six-point lead. Dean Galea leveled the scores at 75 each early in the final term for Port, but Geelong went on to kick 4.9 in the later stages, including a goal after the siren by Shannon Byrnes, to blow the margin out. George Horlin-Smith took home the Norm Goss Medal for best on ground after an influential 24 possession.

### Geelong Cats

Goal Kickers: S. Kersten 3, M. Brown 2, G. Burbury 2, O. Stephenson, J. Stringer, M. Corrigan, J. Simpkin, S. Byrnes, D. Gleeson, S. Hogan

Best Players: G. Horlin-Smith, G. Burbury, O. Stephenson, D. Simpson, S. Byrnes, R. Bathie

### Port Melbourne

Goal Kickers: D. Galea 4, H. O'Farrell 2, W. Burstin 2, S. Dwyer, C. Cain, A. Bentick

Best Players: A. Bentick, S. Valenti, H. O'Farrell, S. Pleming, J. Baird, W. Burstin

## 2011 - Port Melbourne 22.12.144 def.

### Williamstown 13.10.88

Port Melbourne became VFL premiers for a 16th time after beating Williamstown in the 2011 Grand Final, overcoming a 21 point quarter time deficit while kicking 20 of the last 28 goals.

Williamstown began the game kicking the first four goals and racing to a 26 point lead before Port got on the board. Dean Galea starred for Port in the second term, booting four majors of his team's seven goals as the Borough flipped the quarter time deficit in their favour at the main break. The margin remained at 21 points 30 minutes later after both teams kicked 6.3 in the third. Matthew Panos kicked the first of the final term to give the Seagulls hope but it would be all Port from that point on as they piled on seven goals to secure victory. Toby Pinwill from Port was awarded the Norm Goss Medal as the Borough win completed a perfect 21-0 season.

### Port Melbourne

Goal Kickers: D. Galea 6, P. Rose 5, C. Cain 3, N. Batsanis



2, W. Burstin 2, S. Valenti, C. McGrath, W. Skipper, M. Dillon

Best Players: T. Pinwill, P. Rose, D. Galea, S. Dwyer, S. Pleming, W. Skipper

### Williamstown

Goal Kickers: M. Panos 4, N. Djerrkura 2, M. Cravino, B. Goodes, B. Jolley, B. Johnson, M. Hahn, B. Davies, A. Hooper

Best Players: M. Panos, B. Goodes, C. Howard, N. Djerrkura, B. Jolley, D. Addison

## 2010 - North Ballarat 20.13.133 def.

### Northern Bullants 13.8.86

North Ballarat's golden run continued in 2010 with the club winning their third consecutive premiership. The Roosters led from start to finish to complete a fairly comfortable 47 point victory.

The 2010 grand final saw the Roosters and Bullants meet in the decider for the second straight season. The Bullants came from sixth position to make the Grand Final after beating Collingwood, Casey and minor premiers Williamstown but the season would end on the same note as a year earlier.





North Ballarat raced out of the blocks, scoring six goals in the first term, to lead the Bullants by 34 points at quarter-time. In an even second term, both sides kicked four goals but by the end of it the Roosters had extended their buffer by two points. Northern Captain Adam Iacobucci led a fight back after the Bullants had been 42 points down early in the third quarter. His side kicked three successive goals in the term to narrow the gap to 22 points. However Gerard Fitzgerald's men would open the final term with three consecutive goals to destroy any hope of a Bullants come-from-behind win. Myles Sewell claimed the Norm Goss Medal after brilliant first half display.

#### **North Ballarat**

Goal Kickers: J. Smith 3, C. Jones 3, D. Hale 3, B. Driscoll 2, S. Dinnell 2, I. Smith, O. Stephenson, L. Harding, M. White, D. Feery, D. Micallef, B. Norris  
Best Players: N. Peters, D. Feery, C. Richardson, M. Sewell, D. Micallef, C. Jones

#### **Northern Bullants**

Goal Kickers: B. Fisher 4, S. Jacobs 2, D. Ellard 2, Z. Tuohy, A. Iacobucci, S. Neaves, T. Thomas, J. McCorkell  
Best Players: A. Iacobucci, M. Austin, A. Woods, B. Fisher, D. Ellard S. Jacobs

#### **2009 - North Ballarat 14.7.91 def.**

#### **North Bullants 10.8.68**

Having become VFL premiers for the first time a year earlier, the North Ballarat Roosters would add more silverware to their trophy cabinet in 2009, claiming back-to-back premierships. One dazzling quarter by the Roosters and one poor quarter by the Northern Bullants would decide the season's grand final.

In an error riddled first half the Roosters controlled most of the play, leading by eight points at the first break and nine points at half time. North Ballarat finally broke the shackles in the third quarter as they piled on eight goals while the Bullants only registered three majors. With the score-line 84 to 47 at the last change the contest looked over but with the Roosters two men down after losing Michael Searle and Daniel Feery, the Bullants were still in with a chance. They kept North Ballarat to just one goal for

the term however they were only able to post three and in the end the Roosters held on to win by 23 points. Orrren Stephenson won the Norm Goss Medal after a 25 disposal and 27 hit out performance.

#### **North Ballarat**

Goals Kickers: Driscoll 2, Edwards 2, Wundke 2, Dinnell 2, Smith, Jones, Goodes, White, Garlett, Searl  
Best Players: Stephenson, Watt, Edwards, Roach, White, Garlett

#### **Northern Bullants**

Goal Kickers: Cloke 5, Saddington 2, Neaves, Bransgrove, Garlett.  
Best Players: Cloke, McCorkell, Iacobucci, Bannister, Saddington, Bentic

#### **2008 - North Ballarat 18.12.120 def.**

#### **Port Melbourne 11.9.75**

The North Ballarat Roosters won their first VFL premiership after defeating Port Melbourne in the 2008 season decider.

After joining the competition in 1996, the Roosters lifted the premiership cup in their third attempt when they beat the Borough by 45 points. North Ballarat took almost three quarters to shake off Port Melbourne as the teams went goal for goal, each answering every challenge thrown at it. At half time The Roosters lead by four points and it was not until the clock was deep into time-on in the third quarter that they began to break away. A goal by Gavin Urquhart just 30 seconds from the siren gave the Roosters a three goal lead at the last change. And three early goals from the Roosters in the last term sealed their victory. Josh Smith received the Norm Goss Medal after a dominant five goal showing up forward.

The win turned around the fortunes of North Ballarat coach Gerard Fitzgerald. Fitzgerald as coach, had previously been on the losing end of three VFL Grand Finals, first with the Roosters in 1999 and 2000 and then in 2004 when he was in charge of Port Melbourne.

#### **North Ballarat**

Goal Kickers: J. Smith 5, J. Spolding 2, T. Roach 2, M. Wundke 2, B. Grima, B. Driscoll, S. Clifton, G. Urquhart, A. Swallow, P. McMahon, C. Garlett  
Best Players: J. Smith, S. Clifton, M. Searl, E. Sansbury, M. Greig, T. Roach

#### **Port Melbourne**

Goal Kickers: J. Baird 3, C. Cain 3, J. Mullins 2, D. McLaren, A. Bonaddio, R. Nahas  
Best Players: S. Dwyer, M. Smith, J. Baird, C. McGrath, T. Pinwill, J. Mullins



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# Peter Jackson VFL Team Of The Year

**THERE'S a mix of the old and new in this year's Peter Jackson VFL Team Of The Year, announced on J.J. Liston Trophy night.**

Williamstown captain Ben Jolley and Port Melbourne defender Sam Pleming secured their fourth successive Team of the Year honors, the most among any of the 24 players.

Jolley and Pleming are two of 10 players who have now been acknowledged multiple times in VFL Team of the Year selection.

Newcomers to the VFL Team of the Year included Matt Sully, one of four Geelong players named in the team, the most of any club.

Geelong skipper Troy Selwood and midfielder Mark Corrigan and Ben Raidme were the others.

Fothergill Round medalist Kane Lambert was rewarded with his break-out season with selection and was the sole Northern Blues player in the team.

Frankston's Michael Lourey may have been beaten by one goal in the Jim 'Frosty' Miller medal by Dean Galea, but he gained the nod for full forward in the team ahead of Galea.

Lourey was joined by other first time Dolphins' Scott Simpson and Sam Lloyd, who both represented the VFL this season.

North Ballarat's Lachlan George, Port Melbourne's Josh Scipione, Collingwood's Jack Hellier, Werribee teammates Jarred Moore, Ben Brown and Scott Sherlock and Bendigo's Daniel Toman are the other first timers in the VFL Team of the Year.

Coburg, Essendon and Sandringham were the only clubs without a representative in the 2013 VFL Team Of The Year.

Below is a look at all this year's VFL Team of the Year members.

## BACKS

**DAVID MIRRA** (Box Hill Hawks): Selected for his second VFL Team of the Year honor. First picked in 2011. Strong defensive performer for the VFL Hawks. Represented VFL in State match against WA in May. Played his 50th game for Box Hill Hawks during season. Very reliable defender

**EVAN PANOZZA** (Casey Scorpions): Second season as Casey Scorpions skipper and second successive season he has been selected in VFL TOTY. Represented VFL against WA in State match. Played his 100th game for the Scorpions during a season where he again led from the front.

**MATT SULLY** (Geelong): Much improved defender with Geelong. Took over key defensive post for the VFL Cats with the retirement of Andrew McLean. Slipped seamlessly into those big shoes. First VFL TOTY honor. Played 19 games this season, more than double his career tally coming into season.

## HALF BACKS

**SAM ILES** (Box Hill Hawks): Returned to Box Hill Hawks after spending the previous couple of seasons with the Gold Coast. Brought the form that saw him a regular AFL player to the VFL where he gained his second VFL TOTY. He gained his first in 2009, the year he also won the club's best and fairest. Played his 100th VFL game in the VFL Hawks Qualifying Final win.

**SAM PLEMING** (Port Melbourne): One of the most decorated player in terms of VFL TOTY selections in the team. This is the Port Melbourne key defender's fourth successive selection. Earlier in the season gained VFL Life Membership with his 175th VFL game. Pivotal player in the Borough playing in its sixth successive finals series.

**BEN JOLLEY** (Williamstown): Williamstown's inspirational captain who was the driver in the club's stellar season. This is Jolley's fourth successive selection in the VFL TOTY, the most by any Williamstown player. Quality midfielder whose ability to repeatedly win the ball and use it effectively made him a lock for yet another VFL TOTY selection.

## CENTRES

**KANE LAMBERT** (Northern Blues): Emerging young Northern Blues player who enjoyed a break-out season. Played every game with the VFL Blues, represented the VFL in the State match against WA; finished fourth in the Liston Trophy and won the Fothergill Round Medal for the player aged 23 of younger with the most potential to take his game to the next level.

**CHRIS CAIN** (Port Melbourne): Silky smooth Port Melbourne midfielder who returns for his third successive season in the VFL TOTY. Represented the VFL against WA where he was awarded the Frank Johnson Medal for best Victorian player. Repeatedly showcased his skills as he helped Port Melbourne back to the finals.

**BEN RAIDME** (Geelong): Geelong VFL player who gains his first VFL TOTY selection in a career that is in its fifth



season. Held his spot in the powerful Geelong VFL team laden with quality, emerging AFL players. Impacted in games with his high possessions and clever decision making.

## **HALF FORWARDS**

**MARK CORRIGAN** (Geelong): Member of last year's Geelong premiership team who enjoyed even better season this year. Skillful, creative player who set up so many opportunities for his teammates. Reads play particularly well, rarely wastes a possession. Showcased just what a good player he is with his first VFL TOTY selection.

**SCOTT SIMPSON** (Frankston): Former Geelong player who enjoyed a stand out season with Frankston after being recruited from Mt Eliza. Represented the VFL against WA earlier in the year. Strong marking, key position player who could play either end of the ground.

**LACHLAN GEORGE** (North Ballarat): Break-through season for this well-travelled forward who played earlier in his career with Tasmania and Box Hill Hawks. One of the shining lights for North Ballarat where he led the club's goal kicking. Represented the VFL against WA.

## **FORWARDS**

**SAM LLOYD** (Frankston): One of the revelations of the season. Made the transition from suburban football to the VFL without a hiccup. Gained VFL representative honours and finished top 10 in the goal kicking. Ability to play much taller than his height suggested and also effective when the ball was on the ground. Good conversion rate.

**MICHAEL LOUREY** (Frankston): Another great story after he returned to the VFL this season after being unable to gain a game last year. Represented the VFL against WA, led the competition goal kicking until the final quarter in the last home and away match.

**JOSH SCIPIONE** (Port Melbourne): Career year for the Port Melbourne forward who played every game. Represented the VFL against WA and ended with a top 10 finish in the goal kicking. Proved a perfect foil for 'Frosty' Miller medalist Dean Galea. Good finishing skills.

## **FOLLOWERS**

**RUSS GABRIEL** (Frankston): Successful return to the VFL and his old club Frankston for the big ruckman after playing in the WAFL last year. For the big-hearted, tireless Gabriel this is his third VFL TOTY honour after gaining selection in 2010 and 2011. Ability to impose himself on the game not only at the stoppages, but also around the ground made him a key player all season for the Dolphins

**JOHN BAIRD** (Port Melbourne): Inspirational Port Melbourne captain who belies his age (he turned 33 during the season) as he controls games with his tireless work in and around contests as well as his use of the ball. Third VFL TOTY selection, five seasons after he gained his first.

**TROY SELWOOD** (Geelong): Third season as Geelong captain and he led the club superbly both on and off the field. Great work ethic, forever bringing his teammates into the game. Sets up play and his leadership with all the young players played a significant role in the club's great season. Earned selection in the VFL TOTY for the second successive season.

## **INTERCHANGE**

**JARRED MOORE** (Werribee): Former Sydney Swan player who made an immediate impact for Werribee. Controlled games with his work in the engine room, winning the contested football, bringing teammates into the game and setting up play.

**SCOTT SHERLOCK** (Werribee): Another strong season from the Werribee defender who represented the VFL against WA earlier in the season. Able to lock down an opposition key forward as well as providing plenty of drive from defence. First VFL TOTY selection.

**STEVE CLIFTON** (North Ballarat): Stunning return to the VFL after spending the past two seasons playing with Greater Western Sydney. Picked up from where he left off winning VFL representation against WA as well as winning a second J.J. Liston Trophy. Played his 100th game during the season for North Ballarat.

**BEN BROWN** (Werribee): One of the revelations for the season. The big Tasmanian forward made the transition to the VFL in his first season with a minimum of fuss. Athletic, strong marking forward who is sure to have attracted interest among AFL recruiters.

**DANIEL TOMAN** (Bendigo): Moved from Northern Blues to Bendigo Gold in a bid to play more senior VFL football. Played every game during the season and one of the positives for Bendigo during a testing season.

**JACK HELLIER** (Collingwood): Collingwood co-captain who stepped up to the position with maturity. Among the VFL Magpies best all season and helped lift the club back into the finals.

PETER JACKSON VFL

# 2013 TEAM OF THE YEAR



COACH: MATTHEW KNIGHTS  
Geelong



## FOLLOWERS

## INTERCHANGE



RUSSELL GABRIEL  
Frankston

JOHN BAIRD  
Port Melbourne

TROY SELWOOD  
Geelong

JARRED MOORE  
Werrbee Tigers

STEVE CLIFTON  
North Ballarat

DANIEL TOMAN  
Bendigo Gold

SCOTT SHERLOCK  
Werrbee Tigers

BEN BROWN  
Werrbee Tigers

JACK HELLIER  
Collingwood

# VFL Tipsters



**Adrian Dunn**  
VFL Record

Geelong

Last Round: **2** Total: **89**



**Brad McGrath**

Geelong

Last Round: **2** Total: **89**



**Brent Diamond**  
The Age

Box Hill Hawks

Last Round: **2** Total: **85**



**James Hunter Smith**  
Herald Sun

Geelong

Last Round: **1** Total: **95**



**John Hook**  
State League  
Manager

Geelong

Last Round: **0** Total: **87**



**Kiss of Death**

Box Hill Hawks

Last Round: **0** Total: **44**



**Liam Twomey**  
Star Newspaper

Geelong

Last Round: **2** Total: **95**



**Mark Stone**  
SEN

Geelong

Last Round: **1** Total: **91**



**Nigel Carmody**  
VFL Radio

Geelong

Last Round: **1** Total: **95**



**Paul Amy**  
Leader

Geelong

Last Round: **2** Total: **99**



**Paul Hooper**  
3WBC

Box Hill Hawks

Last Round: **2** Total: **91**



**Peter Jackson**  
**Menswear**  
VFL naming rights  
partner

Box Hill Hawks

Last Round: **2** Total: **88**



**Phil Cleary**  
ABC TV

Geelong

Last Round: **1** Total: **85**



**Ross Booth**  
ABC TV

Geelong

Last Round: **1** Total: **92**

## LEADER BOARD

PAUL AMY .....	99	ADRIAN DUNN .....	89
JAMES HUNTER-SMITH .....	95	BRAD MCGRATH .....	89
NIGEL CARMODY .....	95	PETER JACKSON .....	88
LIAM TWOMEY .....	95	JOHN HOOK .....	87
ROSS BOOTH .....	92	BRENT DIAMOND .....	85
MARK STONE .....	91	PHIL CLEARY .....	85
PAUL HOOPER .....	91	KISS OF DEATH .....	44





**Box Hill Hawks:** The club would like to congratulate the players, coaching staff and everyone behind the scenes for their hard work in season 2013. It has been a successful season thus far for the Box Hill Hawks, with both sides reaching

their respective Grand Finals. This great success could not have been achieved if it weren't for the backing of our terrific members, supporters and sponsors. All staff, players, members and sponsors are welcome to attend tonight's Grand Final function back at Box Hill City Oval after the game, details are as follows: Time: 6:30pm-12am.

Attire: Neat casual. Venue: The Pavilion, Box Hill City Oval. Refreshments: Drinks and bar prices and food available. The 2013 Col Austen Trophy Presentation Night, Event Details: When: Friday 4th, October. Where: The Pavilion-Box Hill City Oval. Time: 7:30pm. Price: \$120 Inc. Gst. Dress: Lounge suit. Log on to [www.boxhillhawks.com.au](http://www.boxhillhawks.com.au) or call 03 9890 9442 to secure your place today. For further information, please email the club at [admin@boxhillhawks.com.au](mailto:admin@boxhillhawks.com.au) or call 03 9890 9442. For constant match updates and information throughout the off season, please follow the Box Hill Hawks on Twitter: @BoxHillHawks – or like us on Facebook.

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# Geelong Cats Player Profiles

## 1 MITCH BROWN

16 (48) / 10 (66): Former first round Draft selection who has spent virtually all season in the VFL, playing just five AFL games. Dominant in defence in Preliminary Final. Strong hands, provides good rebound. Played in Geelong's 2012 VFL flag.



## 2 BILLIE SMEDTS

9 (11) / 8 (90): Played more games in the AFL (13) than the VFL (9) this season. Played past five games in VFL. Dangerous through midfield and around goal. Good finishing skills.



## 12 TRENT WEST

8 (104) / 7 (49): One of a few Geelong VFL players who has played 100 VFL games. Played in Geelong's 2011 AFL premiership. Quality ruckman, provides teammates with repeated first use of ball. Won 66 hit outs in Preliminary Final. Pivotal player.



## 15 JORDAN SCHRODER

13 (50) / 18 (59): Emerging young star who won J.J. Liston Trophy this season. Played four AFL games with season. Strong attack on contest, good work ethic. One of the key Geelong players rotating through midfield. Played in Geelong's VFL premiership last year.



## 21 JORDAN MURDOCH

11 (8) / 17 (1): A classy left footer who has an electric turn of speed and will be expected to hit the scoreboard off a half forward flank.



## 23 JOSH CADDY

3 (3) / 5 (5): Originally drafted to the Gold Coast Suns, Caddy has been a consistent performer at VFL and AFL level this season. The prolific ball-winner will be one of the keys to Geelong's midfield if selected.



## 24 JED BEWS

13 (36) 3 (3): Son of former Geelong captain Andrew. Member of last year's Geelong VFL premiership. Rebounding defender who has great speed.



## 33 GEORGE HORLIN-SMITH

9 (34) / 9 (23): Another member of last year's Geelong VFL premiership. Won Norm Goss Medal for best on ground. Played eight AFL games this season. Creative midfielder, tireless worker.



## 34 JOSH WALKER

13 (42) / 27 (76): Played three AFL games this season. Dominant forward in Preliminary Final with five goals, strong hands. Good kick. Played in last year's Geelong VFL premiership.



## 36 BRAD HARTMAN

18 (18) / 14 (14): First year Geelong player who once played basketball. Made transition from playing SANFL Under 18s to VFL and impacted games.



## 37 CAM EARDLEY

19 (39) / 6 (9): Hasn't missed a game for Geelong's VFL team in the two years he has been a rookie. Strong defender who is coming off good Preliminary Final game. Attacks contest, good hands, reads play well. Played in last year's Geelong VFL premiership



## 38 JACKSON SHERINGHAM

7 (47) / 1 (4): Missed large chunk of season through injury. Speedy defender who runs the lines and links up play. Played in last year's VFL premiership team.



### 39 SHANE KERSTEN

12 (29) / 40 (78): Injury interrupted season, but he has been a standout since he's returned. Kicked four first half goals in Preliminary Final before being rested. Powerful contested mark, good on a lead and converts well. Kicked three goals in last year's Grand Final.



### 40 JACKSON THURLOW

13 (13) / 10 (10): First year player who broke into the AFL for four games this season. Confident, young, athletic defender who uses possessions to advantage a high percentage of time. Provides plenty of drive from defence.



### 41 JESSE STRINGER

9 (30) / 6 (21): Member of last year's VFL premiership team. Played seven AFL games this season. Good around stoppages with his ability to win clearances. Hard working, good vision. Polished player.



### 42 RYAN BATHIE

17 (54) / 28 (31): Impacted when switched forward this season. Capable of taking big marks, converts well. Adds another dimension to potent offence. Played in last year's premiership.



### 43 GEORGE BURBURY

7 (45) / 15 (48): Played in last year's VFL Grand Final where he starred. Made his AFL debut this season. Silky smooth skilled player. Elusive around goals.



### 45 JOEL HAMLING

10 (23) / 15 (18): Injury interrupted season. Only returned to playing towards end of home and away season. Versatile player.



### 50 DOM GLEESON

18 (179) / 11 (102): Veteran who captained the VFL against WA earlier in season. Former Werribee captain and best and fairest winner. Most experienced player for Cats. Played in Geelong premiership last year.



### 51 TROY SELWOOD

14 (47) / 2 (15): Geelong captain who returned to team for Preliminary Final after missing a month with shoulder injury. Inspirational captain who has the family tenacity for the contest, great ability to shut down key opposition player and forever bringing teammates into game. Played in last year's premiership.



### 53 JAXSON BARHAM

14 (83) / 15 (54): Long standing Geelong VFL player who didn't miss too many games. Good speed and versatility adds to his game.



### 57 MARK CORRIGAN

(18/59; 12/36): Veteran VFL player who turned 30 during season, but enjoying best ever season. Named in VFL Team of The Year. Clever player who reads play well, good disposal skills. Played in last year's premiership.



### 60 MATT SULLY

(18/26; 0/1): Stepped up to cover the loss of premiership defender Andrew McLean. Performed so well that he was in the VFL squad. Strong hands, plays percentages well.



### 61 BEN RAIDME

17 (70) / 12 (23): Break out season for Geelong VFL stalwart. Rewarded for best ever season with a place in the VFL Team of the Year. Missed the Preliminary Final, but strengthens an already imposing team.



### 74 LACHLAN HOWE

4 (4) / 3 (3): Member of Murray Bushrangers last season. Played four games this season, including Preliminary Final, as the 23rd player. Adds to the Cats height.



*Games 2013 (Career games) / Goals 2013 (Career goals)*



# Geelong Cats



**Coach:** Matthew Knights

**Captain:** Troy Selwood

1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3rd Qtr	4th Qtr

\*AFL Primary Listed Player #AFL Rookie Listed Player

NO.	PLAYER	DOB	HT	WT	PREVIOUS CLUB	G	B
1	Mitch Brown *	28-Aug-90	196	92	Cheltenham/Sandringham Dragons		
2	Billie Smedts *	08-Jun-92	189	83	North Warrambbool/Geelong Falcons		
12	Trent West *	17-Oct-87	199	102	Wonthaggi/Gippsland Power		
15	Jordan Schroder *	05-Dec-92	182	86	St Bernards/Calder Cannons		
18	Josh Cowan *	16-Mar-91	184	82	Daylesford/North Ballarat Rebels		
19	Taylor Hunt *	05-Nov-90	183	80	Beaumaris/Sandringham Dragons		
21	Jordan Murdoch *	23-Mar-92	190	85	Port MacDonnell (SA)/Glenelg (SANFL)		
23	Josh Caddy *	28-Sep-92	186	84	Eltham/Northern Knights/Gold Coast (AFL)		
24	Jed Bews *	14-Dec-93	186	85	Leopold/Geelong Falcons		
33	George Horlin-Smith *	22-Dec-92	186	83	Payneham Norwood Union (SA)/Sturt (SANFL)		
34	Josh Walker #	12-Nov-92	196	91	Lara/Geelong Falcons		
36	Brad Hartman *	16-Nov-94	188	75	Ramblers (SA)/Sturt (SANFL)		
37	Cam Eardley #	24-Jun-93	180	80	East Fremantle (WAFL)		
38	Jackson Sheringham #	22-Jun-88	179	75	Bell Park/Geelong Falcons/Geelong VFL		
39	Shane Kersten *	15-Mar-93	190	94	Lakes (WA)/South Fremantle (WAFL)		
40	Jackson Thurlow *	28-Mar-94	190	79	Launceston (Tas)		
41	Jesse Stringer *	03-Apr-91	182	82	Eaglehawk/Port Adelaide (SANFL)		
42	Ryan Bathie #	15-Apr-87	198	102	Mowbray College		
43	George Burbury #	16-Jun-92	186	80	Sandy Bay (Tas)/Hobart (Tas)		
45	Joel Hamling *	09-Apr-93	194	82	Cable Beach (WA)/Claremont (WAFL)		
46	Mark Blicavs #	28-Mar-91	198	95	Sunbury		
50	Dominic Gleeson	19-Mar-83	179	79	Koroit/Geelong Falcons/Werribee Tigers		
51	Troy Selwood	05-Jan-84	189	89	Bendigo Pioneers/Brisbane Lions (AFL)		
52	Jackson Hollmer	11-Feb-85	186	87	Lorne/Lara		
53	Jaxson Barham	20-May-88	182	79	Geelong Falcons/Collingwood (AFL)/Lara		
57	Mark Corrigan	23-Jul-83	180	80	Sandringham (VFL)/South Barwon		
60	Matthew Sully	15-Oct-92	196	95	Hawks JFNC/North Ballarat Rebels/South Warrambbool		
61	Ben Raidme	08-Dec-87	182	77	Geelong Falcons/Torquay/Grovedale/South Barwon		
64	Andrew Banjanin	05-Sep-87	201	97	Geelong Falcons/Werribee Tigers/St Albans		
69	Dane Mcfarlane	01-May-93	178	70	Modewarre		
74	Lachlan Howe	12-Jun-93	198	98	Murray Bushrangers/St Joseph's (GFL)		

## MATCH UMPIRES:

**Field Umpire** Shaun Gleeson (8)

**Field Umpire** Brett Ritchie (11)

**Field Umpire** Robert O'Gorman (20)

**Emergency Field** Tim Carlos (24)

# Box Hill Hawks

Live on 3WBC from 1pm; VFL Radio from 1:00pm & ABC TV from 2:00pm



**Coach:** Damian Carroll

**Captain:** Daniel Pratt

1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3rd Qtr	4th Qtr

\*AFL Primary Listed Player #AFL Rookie Listed Player

NO.	PLAYER	DOB	HT	WT	PREVIOUS CLUB	G	B
1	David Mirra	20-Mar-91	186	86	St Simons/Scoresby/Eastern Ranges		
2	Marc Lock	21-Jun-91	191	85	Southport/Gold Coast Suns		
3	Bryce Retzlaff	29-Jun-91	195	94	Labrador (Qld)/Brisbane Lions		
7	Sam Iles	19-Jun-87	182	80	Collingwood/Box Hill Hawks/Gold Coast Suns		
15	Tom Gordon	19-Apr-92	194	92	Beverley Hills JFC/Oakleigh Chargers/Collingwood		
16	Sam Collins	15-Jun-94	192	87	Donvale/Oakleigh Chargers		
17	Daniel Pratt	21-Mar-83	185	90	Brisbane/North Melbourne		
20	Patrick Lawlor	04-Mar-93	180	78	Vermont/Eastern Ranges		
23	Xavier Murphy	23-Nov-91	178	73	Murrumbidgee JFC/Sandringham Dragons/De La Salle OC		
26	Matt Northe	26-Sep-94	182	76	TEDAS JFC/Traralgon/Gippsland Power		
31	Liam Tobin	31-Jul-91	186	82	Noble Park/Sandringham Dragons		
33	Ryan Exon	08-Jan-94	181	72	Warrandyte JFC/Oakleigh Chargers		
34	Jordan Kelly*	27-Jun-93	191	85	Edithvale-Aspendale/Dandenong Stingrays		
35	Sam Grimley*	03-Jan-91	199	96	Northern Knights		
37	Jed Anderson*	02-Feb-94	178	75	NT Thunder (NT)		
38	Mitch Hallahan *	23-Aug-92	183	84	Sorrento/Dandenong Stingrays		
40	Tim O'Brien*	28-Mar-94	193	81	West Gambier (SA)/Glenelg (SANFL)		
41	Taylor Duryea*	24-Apr-91	179	80	Wahgunyah/Murray Bushrangers		
45	Sam Cust	26-Aug-92	180	79	Boroondara Hawks / Oakleigh Chargers		
46	Derick Wanganeen#	05-Feb-91	174	75	Port Adelaide (SANFL)		
47	Jonathon Ceglar#	14-Feb-91	204	94	Wodonga Raiders/Murray Bushrangers/Collingwood (AFL)		
51	Mitchell O'Donnell	24-Jan-94	178	76	SevilleJFC/Seville/Eastern Ranges		
61	Angus Litherland *	12-Oct-92	192	90	Ongerup (WA)/Claremont (WAFL)		
63	Kyle Cheney*	25-Aug-89	186	90	Warrack Eagles/North Ballarat Rebels/Melbourne (AFL)		
65	Will Langford#	03-Jul-92	187	83	East Sydney (NSW)/NSW-ACT RAMS		
67	Matt Spangher*	23-Apr-87	195	96	Old Xaverians/Eastern Ranges/West Coast/Sydney		
70	Luke Lowden*	22-Feb-91	204	102	Dookie United/Wunghnu/Shep Bears/Sandringham Dragons		
71	Shane Savage*	05-Jan-91	185	82	Noble Park/Dandenong Stingrays		
72	Jonathan Simpkin*	28-Oct-87	181	80	Colac/Geelong Falcons/Sydney (AFL)/Geelong (VFL)/Geelong		
77	Michael Osborne*	29-Jul-82	178	81	Labrador (Qld)		

**Boundary Umpire** Damien Cusack  
**Boundary Umpire** Josh Mather

**Boundary Umpire** Tim Lougoon  
**Goal Umpire** Dylan Benwell

**Goal Umpire** Michael Craig  
**Emergency Goal** Anthony Kyrkou

# Box Hill Hawks Player Profiles

## 1 DAVID MIRRA

19 (54) / 0 (1): Quality defender who shut down key Werribee forward Ben Warren in Preliminary Final. Represented VFL earlier in season and named for the second time to the VFL Team of the Year.



## 2 MARC LOCK

19 (48) / 11 (23): Now in second season at Box Hill Hawks after being on Gold Coast Suns list. Most consistent player whose versatility allows him to be played in variety of positions.



## 3 BRYCE RETZLAFF

7(7) / 12 (12): Former Brisbane Lions player in his first season with the VFL Hawks. Missed the first half of the season and only worked his way into team last month before finals. Big unit who marks well and has a booming kick.



## 7 SAM ILES

19 (101) / 12 (52): Former club best and fairest who spent a couple of seasons with Gold Coast Suns before returning to club. Enjoyed outstanding season. Named for the second time in VFL Team of the Year, rarely wastes a disposal. Clever player.



## 15 TOM GORDON

16 (35) / 9 (11): Young Box Hill player who can play as a key position forward or play a defensive role. Plenty of upside to his game this season when he cemented regular place in team.



## 17 DANIEL PRATT

14 (101) / 1 (52): Box Hill Hawks captain. Veteran now in second season with club. Played 100th VFL game earlier in season, but frustrated with injury towards end of season. Played in Development League Grand Final last week. His experience will prove telling.



## 23 XAVIER MURPHY

16 (31) / 8 (18): Another young Box Hill Hawk who played nearly every game this season. Works hard at the contest.



## 31 LIAM TOBIN

15 (25) / 22 (29): Enjoyed break-out season where he became a potent forward with his ability to find space and use the ball effectively. Only Sam Grimley kicked more goals for the club.



## 33 RYAN EXON

4 (4) / 1 (1): After captaining Oakleigh Chargers to a Premiership in 2012, Ryan chose to pursue his Senior career at Box Hill. After a very strong pre-season, he unfortunately suffered a broken collar bone in Round 2. Has fought back to claim some senior games in 2013 as part of a very strong midfield. Will add great pace to the side if plays.



## 34 JORDAN KELLY

19 (34) / 3 (5): Second season on the Hawthorn list. Played primarily as a defender. Tall, athletic player who does a good job curbing key opposition forwards.



## 35 SAM GRIMLEY

16 (29) / 25 (34): Big unit who has enjoyed good final series. Helped Box Hill Hawks defeat Williamstown with three last quarter goals then chimed in with a couple of goals against Werribee. Strong mark, converts well.



## 37 JED ANDERSON

8 (8) / 11 (11): A NAB Rising Star nominee at AFL level this year, he has shown plenty of potential in his first season at Hawthorn. After an injury midyear, he returned via the VFL for 8 games and his speed and attack on the football were a highlight.





### 38 MITCH HALLAHAN

16 (33) / 11 (17): Huge season for emerging star Hawthorn midfielder. Won the J.J. Liston Trophy. Hard-working player who is outstanding at winning clearances, finding space and using the ball effectively. Key to the VFL Hawks flag hopes.



### 40 TIM O'BRIEN

10 (10) / 12 (12): First year Hawthorn player taken in second round of Draft. Spent half the season in the Development League, but earned his recall to the seniors towards the end of the season. Kicked two goals in Preliminary Final.



### 45 SAM CUST

8 (16) / 6 (10): Box Hill Hawks player who has held his spot in the team after playing the first 12 games in the Development League. Hard worker who can impact on the scoreboard.



### 46 DERICK WANGANEEN

18 (47) / 10 (41): Hawthorn rookie who has played all but two games this season. Played a defensive role for much of the season, but can impact on the scoreboard when drifts forward.



### 47 JONATHON CEGLAR

18 (50) / 10 (33): First year on Hawthorn's rookie list after spending two seasons at Collingwood. Big man with strong hands. Provides a target in attack and can help out in ruck.



### 61 ANGUS LITHERLAND

19 (35) / 0 (1): Hawthorn Listed player now in second season with club. Underrated defender with good negating skills as well as reading the play well. Rebounds well and rarely wastes a possession.



### 63 KYLE CHENEY

17 (75) / 1 (4): Veteran who has played senior football with Melbourne and Hawthorn. Found it tough to secure regular position in powerful Hawthorn team. Quality player for Box Hill Hawks. Strong in defence, reads play well and sets up for teammates downfield.



### 65 WILL LANGFORD

16 (33) / 8 (9): Emerging young midfielder who was dominant in the Preliminary Final win. Racked up plenty of possessions, provided plenty of drive.



### 67 MATT SPANGHER

12 (12) / 10 (10): Very handy utility player that would help bolster the Box Hill Hawks defence if available. Can be played in a variety of roles, all of which he can excel in.



### 70 LUKE LOWDEN

20 (53) / 16 (31): Hawthorn young ruckman who has played every game for Box Hill Hawks. Played his best football for the season in past two months. Comes off good Preliminary Final game where he kicked two goals.



### 71 SHANE SAVAGE

7 (38) / 13 (27): Hawthorn midfielder who has played most of the season in the AFL. Showed his class in Preliminary Final with five goals. Looked in a different class.



### 72 JONATHAN SIMPKIN

9 (87) / 9 (80): Former Geelong player who won two VFL best and fairests with the Cats and was also in their premiership team last year. Played more games in the AFL than VFL. Dominant in Preliminary Final win.



### 77 MICHAEL OSBORNE

13 (55) / 11 (57): Veteran Hawthorn player who was a member of their 2008 premiership. Played in the AFL this season, but has been a regular at Box Hill Hawks. Showed his class and leadership to help the young Hawks into a Grand Final. Key player.



*Games 2013 (Career games) / Goals 2013 (Career goals)*

POS	TEAM	P	W	L	D	For	Agst	%	PTS
1	Geelong Cats	18	16	2	0	2273	1363	166.76	64
2	Box Hill Hawks	18	13	5	0	1815	1326	136.88	52
3	Williamstown	18	12	6	0	1809	1394	129.77	48
4	Casey Scorpions	18	12	6	0	1830	1434	127.62	48
5	Werribee Tigers	18	10	8	0	1897	1661	114.21	40
6	Collingwood	18	10	8	0	1766	1667	105.94	40
7	Port Melbourne	18	9	8	1	1726	1704	101.29	38
8	Essendon	18	9	9	0	1765	1590	111.01	36
9	Northern Blues	18	8	10	0	1709	1622	105.36	32
10	North Ballarat	18	8	10	0	1556	1558	99.87	32
11	Sandringham	18	6	11	1	1705	1992	85.59	26
12	Frankston	18	6	12	0	1522	1885	80.74	24
13	Coburg Tigers	18	6	12	0	1533	1973	77.70	24
14	Bendigo Gold	18	0	18	0	912	2649	34.43	0

## Preliminary Finals

<b>Geelong Cats</b>	<b>6.4</b>	<b>12.7</b>	<b>18.11</b>	<b>24.16</b>	<b>160</b>
<b>Williamstown</b>	4.2	4.5	8.9	11.12	78

### Geelong Cats

Goal Kickers: J. Walker 5, S. Kersten 4, J. Murdoch 3, B. Hartman 2, R. Bathie 2, B. Smedts 2, J. Schroder , J. Barham , L. Howe , T. Selwood , T. West , G. Burbury

Best Players: G. Horlin-Smith, J. Murdoch, M. Brown, C. Eardley, J. Walker, M. Sully

### Williamstown

Goal Kickers: J. Johnstone 2, A. Anastasio 2, J. Tutt 2, F. Roberts 2, C. Wood , C. Lockwood , D. Pearce

Best Players: W. Wheeler, B. Jolley, J. Johnstone, L. Markovic, J. Charleston, J. McNamara

<b>Box Hill Hawks</b>	<b>6.5</b>	<b>12.7</b>	<b>16.9</b>	<b>22.12</b>	<b>144</b>
<b>Werribee Tigers</b>	6.1	9.6	12.6	14.8	92

### Box Hill Hawks

Goal Kickers: S. Savage 5, L. Tobin 2, J. Ceglar 2, M. Osborne 2, S. Grimley 2, W. Langford 2, T. O'Brien 2, L. Lowden 2, X. Murphy , B. Retzlaff , J. Simpkin

Best Players: S. Savage, W. Langford, M. Osborne, L. Lowden, M. Hallahan, K. Cheney

### Werribee Tigers

Goal Kickers: J. Bolton 5, B. Brown 3, L. McDonald , M. Sodomaco , A. Maric , B. Ross , B. Warren , B. Speight

Best Players: A. Kennedy, B. Meredith, J. Bolton, D. Currie, S. Clouston, L. McDonald

## AFL Development League Grand Final

<b>Williamstown</b>	<b>6.2</b>	<b>7.6</b>	<b>9.12</b>	<b>11.19</b>	<b>85</b>
<b>Box Hill Hawks</b>	2.3	3.6	6.11	12.12	84

### Williamstown

GOALS: B. Symes 2, D. Conway 2, S. Hetherington 2, B. Casley 1, B. Christodoulou 1, A. Woods 1, J. Flack 1, J. Bench 1

BEST: J. Bench, S. Hetherington, S. Critchley, M. Stockdale, A. Woods, B. Symes

### Box Hill Hawks

GOALS: N. Papadopoulos 2, S. Collins 2, D. Graham 2, D. Pratt 1, W. Johnson 1, J. Wilsen 1, C. Cassidy 1, S. Crocker 1, T. Goodwin 1

BEST: S. Collins, R. Exon, M. Thompson, J. Wilsen, K. Post, J. McDonald

# PETER JACKSON VFL SENIOR STATS

## CENTRAL - FINALS WEEK THREE

### KICKS

Shane Savage	Box Hill	23
Taylor Duryea	Box Hill	17
Jonathan Simpkin	Box Hill	17
Mitch Hallahan	Box Hill	16
Mark Corrigan	Geelong	16
Ayden Kennedy	Werribee	15
Willie Wheeler	Williamstown	15
Jarrold Moore	Werribee	14
Will Sierakowski	Werribee	14
Brent Prisma	Williamstown	14
Cam Eardley	Geelong	13
Jordan Schroder	Geelong	13
Billie Smedts	Geelong	13
Josh Walker	Geelong	13

### MARKS

Taylor Duryea	Box Hill	10
Shane Savage	Box Hill	10
Jonathon Ceglar	Box Hill	8
Cam Eardley	Geelong	8
Ayden Kennedy	Werribee	8
Kyle Cheney	Box Hill	6
Tom Gordon	Box Hill	6
Xavier Murphy	Box Hill	6
Mitch Brown	Geelong	6
Mark Corrigan	Geelong	6
Billie Smedts	Geelong	6
Trent West	Geelong	6
Will Sierakowski	Werribee	6
Sam Grimley	Box Hill	5

### HANDBALLS

Mitchell O'Donnell	Box Hill	17
Jarrold Moore	Werribee	16
Dominic Gleeson	Geelong	15
William Martiniello	Werribee	15
Jack Johnstone	Williamstown	15
Mark Corrigan	Geelong	14
Brent Prisma	Williamstown	14
George Horlin-Smith	Geelong	13
Troy Selwood	Geelong	13
Ben Jolley	Williamstown	13
Jesse Stringer	Geelong	12
Daniel Pearce	Williamstown	12
Ayden Kennedy	Werribee	11
Ben McKinley	Werribee	11

### HITFOOTS

Trent West	Geelong	55
Cameron Wood	Williamstown	44
Daniel Currie	Werribee	39
Jonathon Ceglar	Box Hill	29
Luke Lowden	Box Hill	25
Ben Brown	Werribee	7
Lachlan Howe	Geelong	6
Darcy Fort	Werribee	6
Fletcher Roberts	Williamstown	4
Josh Walker	Geelong	3
Sam Grimley	Box Hill	2

### GOAL KICKERS

SENIORS		LW	TOTAL	DEVELOPMENT LEAGUE		LW	TOTAL
Ben Warren	Werribee Tigers	1	59	Myles Dorman	Northern Blues	#	60
Dean Galea	Port Melbourne	#	58	Dylan Conway	Williamstown	2	45
Michael Lourey	Frankston	#	54	Cameron Tudor	Werribee Tigers	#	44
Jackson Paine	Collingwood	#	45	Jacob Polizzi	Williamstown	-	34
Joshua Scipione	Port Melbourne	#	42	Simon Deery	Williamstown	*	34
Shane Kersten	Geelong Cats	4	40	Sam Cust	Box Hill Hawks	*	32
Addam Maric	Werribee Tigers	1	39	Dale Whelan	Port Melbourne	#	29
Jesse Hogan	Casey Scorpions	#	39	Jake Anderson	Coburg Tigers	#	26
Cory Dell'Olio	Essendon	#	38	Robert Hicks	Werribee Tigers	#	26
Sam Lloyd	Frankston	#	38	Ben Hughes	Casey Scorpions	#	25
Liam Mcbean	Coburg Tigers	#	37	Benjamin Monkhorst	Box Hill Hawks	DNP	25
Kyle Martin	Collingwood	#	35	Jake Allan	Port Melbourne	#	24
Aaron Edwards	Coburg Tigers	#	30	Robert Clements	Frankston	#	23
Jake Best	Casey Scorpions	#	30	Clay Johnston	Port Melbourne	#	22
Ben Brown	Werribee Tigers	3	29	Michael Dufficy	Northern Blues	#	22

DNP = did not play, \*Seniors, \*\*AFL, # no longer in finals



<b>Round 1 (Split Round)</b>	
Saturday 30th March	
Port Melbourne 12.15-87 def by <b>Werribee Tigers 25.9-159</b>	
Sunday 31st March	
<b>Geelong Cats 12.16-88</b> def Williamstown 11.14-80	
Friday 5th April	
Bendigo Gold 8.9-57 def by <b>Essendon 23.3-147</b>	
Saturday 6th April	
<b>Collingwood 16.11-107</b> def North Ballarat 6.19-55	
Werribee Tigers 17.13-115 def by <b>Northern Blues 20.10-130</b>	
Sunday 7th April	
<b>Casey Scorpions 23.11-149</b> def Frankston 12.9-81	
Box Hill Hawks 13.11-89 def by <b>Port Melbourne 14.9-93</b>	
<b>Coburg Tigers 18.13-121</b> def Sandringham 13.11-89	
<b>Round 2</b>	
Saturday 13th April	
Essendon 10.13-73 def by <b>Box Hill Hawks 12.12-84</b>	
<b>Northern Blues 30.16-196</b> def Bendigo Gold 4.8-32	
North Ballarat 12.14-86 def by <b>Casey Scorpions 13.17-95</b>	
<b>Williamstown 24.13-157</b> def Coburg Tigers 8.9-57	
<b>Werribee Tigers 12.14-86</b> def Collingwood 11.12-78	
Sunday 14th April	
<b>Frankston 14.14-98</b> def Port Melbourne 12.20-92	
<b>Geelong Cats 15.21-111</b> def Sandringham 12.7-79	
<b>Round 3</b>	
Friday 19th April	
Bendigo Gold 7.14-56 def by <b>North Ballarat 21.15-141</b>	
Saturday 20th April	
Essendon 11.13-79 def by <b>Casey Scorpions 25.12-162</b>	
<b>Geelong Cats 12.17-89</b> def Box Hill Hawks 12.12-84	
Collingwood 12.11-83 def by <b>Frankston 14.12-96</b>	
Sunday 21st April	
<b>Williamstown 19.15-129</b> def Werribee Tigers 5.16-46	
Port Melbourne 16.12-108 vs Sandringham 16.12-108	
Coburg Tigers 15.13-103 def by <b>Northern Blues 19.15-129</b>	
<b>Round 4</b>	
Friday 26th April	
Bendigo Gold 9.6-60 def by <b>Collingwood 25.26-176</b>	
Werribee Tigers 15.10-100 def by <b>Sandringham 24.20-164</b>	
<b>Box Hill Hawks 18.15-123</b> def Coburg Tigers 13.17-95	
North Ballarat 8.12-60 def by <b>Essendon 14.11-95</b>	
<b>Casey Scorpions 14.8-92</b> def Williamstown 9.15-69	
Sunday 28th April	
Frankston 7.10-52 def by <b>Geelong Cats 19.17-131</b>	
Northern Blues 13.13-91 def by <b>Port Melbourne 16.11-107</b>	
<b>Round 5</b>	
Saturday 4th May	
<b>Geelong Cats 21.14-140</b> def Werribee Tigers 12.13-85	
<b>Coburg Tigers 19.11-125</b> def Essendon 13.13-91	
<b>North Ballarat 20.10-130</b> def Frankston 12.13-85	
<b>Port Melbourne 15.11-101</b> def Casey Scorpions 14.14-98	
Bendigo Gold 7.6-48 def by <b>Box Hill Hawks 20.15-135</b>	
Sunday 5th May	
<b>Williamstown 15.13-103</b> def Collingwood 14.13-97	
<b>Sandringham 20.10-130</b> def North Blues 18.9-117	
<b>State Game - WAFL vs. VFL - 11th May</b>	
<b>Round 6</b>	
Saturday 18th May	
<b>Collingwood 18.12-120</b> def Geelong Cats 16.11-107	
Essendon 11.16-82 def by <b>Port Melbourne 13.16-94</b>	
Casey Scorpions 9.12-66 def by <b>Box Hill Hawks 19.12-126</b>	
<b>Werribee Tigers 27.10-172</b> def Coburg Tigers 12.11-83	
Bendigo Gold 9.11-65 def by <b>Sandringham 21.15-141</b>	
<b>Northern Blues 12.11-83</b> def North Ballarat 5.9-39	
Sunday 19th May	
Frankston 15.11-101 def by <b>Williamstown 20.11-131</b>	

<b>Round 7 (Indigenous Round)</b>	
Saturday 25th May	
<b>Williamstown 30.27-207</b> def Bendigo Gold 5.1-31	
<b>Collingwood 18.14-122</b> def Essendon 17.11-113	
<b>North Ballarat 16.16-112</b> def Coburg Tigers 8.9-57	
Port Melbourne 14.7-91 def by <b>Box Hill Hawks 17.12-114</b>	
BYE - Frankston, Northern Blues, Sandringham, Werribee Tigers	
Sunday 26th May	
Geelong Cats 16.11-107 def by <b>Casey Scorpions 18.12-120</b>	
<b>Round 8</b>	
Saturday 1st June	
Essendon 13.10-88 def by <b>Geelong Cats 18.17-125</b>	
Northern Blues 17.9-111 def by <b>Collingwood 17.12-114</b>	
Sandringham 8.10-58 def by <b>Casey Scorpions 18.15-123</b>	
Sunday 2nd June	
<b>Werribee Tigers 14.17-101</b> def North Ballarat 10.16-76	
<b>Box Hill Hawks 18.23-131</b> def Frankston 8.7-55	
Williamstown 9.12-66 def by <b>Port Melbourne 16.17-113</b>	
<b>Coburg Tigers 11.22-88</b> def Bendigo Gold 11.12-78	
<b>Round 9</b>	
Saturday 8th June	
<b>Essendon 21.17-143</b> def Sandringham 12.9-81	
Frankston 14.8-92 def by <b>Werribee Tigers 20.11-131</b>	
<b>Casey Scorpions 21.15-141</b> def Collingwood 7.9-51	
Sunday 9th June	
<b>Geelong Cats 15.13-103</b> def Northern Blues 5.15-45	
BYE - Bendigo, Box Hill Hawks, Coburg, North Ballarat, Port Melbourne, Williamstown	
<b>Round 10</b>	
Saturday 15th June	
<b>Northern Blues 19.15-129</b> def Frankston 11.7-73	
Bendigo Gold 5.10-40 def by <b>Werribee Tigers 19.18-132</b>	
Sunday 16th June	
<b>Williamstown 15.11-101</b> def Essendon 6.9-45	
Port Melbourne 12.17-89 def by <b>North Ballarat 15.9-99</b>	
Sandringham 12.11-83 def by <b>Box Hill Hawks 12.17-89</b>	
<b>Collingwood 18.10-118</b> def Coburg Tigers 13.12-90	
BYE - Casey Scorpions, Geelong Cats	
<b>Round 11</b>	
Saturday 22nd June	
<b>Geelong Cats 21.17-143</b> def Port Melbourne 9.4-58	
Werribee Tigers 10.12-72 def by <b>Box Hill Hawks 17.13-115</b>	
Northern Blues 7.10-52 def by <b>Williamstown 12.12-84</b>	
Sunday 23rd June	
<b>Casey Scorpions 16.15-111</b> def Coburg Tigers 9.10-64	
<b>North Ballarat 21.18-144</b> def Bendigo Gold 3.8-26	
<b>Frankston 23.10-148</b> def Sandringham 8.4-52	
BYE - Collingwood, Essendon	
<b>Round 12</b>	
Saturday 29th June	
<b>Collingwood 11.79-75</b> def Port Melbourne 8.15-63	
<b>Casey Scorpions 13.14-92</b> def Northern Blues 9.10-64	
<b>Werribee Tigers 16.13-109</b> def Essendon 11.14-80	
<b>North Ballarat 17.12-114</b> def Sandringham 15.10-100	
Bendigo Gold 9.12-66 def by <b>Frankston 14.22-106</b>	
Sunday 30th June	
Box Hill Hawks 13.8-86 def by <b>Williamstown 16.15-111</b>	
Coburg Tigers 14.12-95 def by <b>Geelong Cats 16.19-115</b>	
<b>Round 13 (Split Round)</b>	
Saturday 6th July	
<b>Geelong Cats 18.19-127</b> def North Ballarat 7.11-53	
<b>Port Melbourne 22.21-153</b> def Bendigo Gold 14.10-94	
Box Hill Hawks 11.14-80 def by <b>Collingwood 16.12-157</b>	
Sunday 7th July	
<b>Essendon 18.10-118</b> def Northern Blues 6.13-49	
<b>Frankston 14.13-97</b> def Coburg Tigers 7.11-53	
Saturday 13th July	
<b>Sandringham 14.11-95</b> def Williamstown 12.8-80	
Sunday 14th July (Multicultural Round)	
<b>Werribee Tigers 17.12-114</b> def Casey Scorpions 8.10-58	

<b>Round 14</b>	
Friday 19th July	
<b>Geelong Cats 17.13-117</b> def Collingwood 10.14-74	
Saturday 20th July	
Box Hill Hawks 6.7-43 def by <b>Northern Blues 9.5-59</b>	
<b>Port Melbourne 13.10-88</b> def Williamstown 2.7-19	
Sunday 21st July	
Casey Scorpions 9.4-58 def by <b>Essendon 9.15-69</b>	
Frankston 3.5-23 def by <b>North Ballarat 9.10-64</b>	
<b>Coburg Tigers 9.12-66</b> def Werribee Tigers 9.9-63	
<b>Sandringham 17.22-124</b> def Bendigo Gold 7.7-49	
<b>Round 15</b>	
Saturday 27th July	
Collingwood 12.10-82 def by <b>Casey Scorpions 13.12-90</b>	
<b>Essendon 21.19-145</b> def Bendigo Gold 5.6-36	
<b>North Ballarat 12.12-94</b> def Werribee Tigers 9.13-67	
Port Melbourne 15.10-100 def by <b>Box Hill Hawks 17.13-115</b>	
<b>Williamstown 14.20-104</b> def Frankston 10.8-68	
Sunday 28th July	
<b>Northern Blues 17.16-118</b> def Coburg Tigers 9.6-60	
Sandringham 9.9-63 def by <b>Geelong Cats 27.18-180</b>	
<b>Round 16</b>	
Saturday 3rd August	
Sandringham 9.11-85 def by <b>Essendon 16.12-108</b>	
<b>Box Hill Hawks 11.18-84</b> def Bendigo Gold 7.5-47	
Sunday 4th August	
Collingwood 10.4-64 def by <b>Williamstown 14.15-99</b>	
Casey Scorpions 8.11-59 def by <b>Geelong Cats 19.11-125</b>	
<b>Frankston 16.8-104</b> def Northern Blues 13.13-91	
<b>Coburg Tigers 15.11-101</b> def North Ballarat 13.7-85	
<b>Round 17</b>	
Saturday 10th August	
<b>Northern Blues 13.16-94</b> def Sandringham 11.10-76	
<b>Box Hill Hawks 15.21-111</b> def Essendon 5.9-39	
Bendigo Gold 12.8-80 def by <b>Coburg Tigers 23.16-154</b>	
Sunday 11th August	
<b>Werribee Tigers 20.16-136</b> def Port Melbourne 10.11-71	
Williamstown 13.8-86 def by <b>Geelong Cats 19.21-135</b>	
<b>North Ballarat 14.12-96</b> def Collingwood 13.13-91	
Frankston 10.6-66 def by <b>Casey Scorpions 14.13-97</b>	
<b>Round 18</b>	
Saturday 17th August	
<b>Essendon 18.15-123</b> def Frankston 9.10-64	
Port Melbourne 14.12-96 def by <b>Geelong Cats 15.12-102</b>	
<b>Casey Scorpions 23.11-149</b> def Bendigo Gold 2.8-20	
Sandringham 10.9-69 def by <b>Collingwood 18.21-129</b>	
Sunday 18th August	
North Ballarat 8.5-53 def by <b>Williamstown 10.12-72</b>	
Coburg Tigers 5.18-48 def by <b>Box Hill Hawks 20.14-134</b>	
Northern Blues 10.10-70 def by <b>Werribee Tigers 17.16-118</b>	
<b>Round 19</b>	
Friday 23rd August	
Bendigo Gold 3.8-26 def by <b>Geelong Cats 35.17-227</b>	
Saturday 24th August	
<b>Collingwood 15.8-98</b> def Werribee Tigers 13.13-91	
<b>Essendon 18.17-125</b> def North Ballarat 13.8-86	
<b>Williamstown 17.9-111</b> def Northern Blues 11.15-81	
<b>Box Hill Hawks 10.12-72</b> def Casey Scorpions 9.16-70	
<b>Sandringham 19.14-128</b> def Frankston 17.11-113	
Sunday 25th August	
Coburg Tigers 10.13-73 def by <b>Port Melbourne 15.11-101</b>	
<b>Finals Week 1 - Qualifying &amp; Elimination Finals</b>	
Saturday 31st August & Sunday 1st September TBA	
<b>Finals Week 2 - Semi Finals</b>	
Saturday 7th & Sunday 8th September <i>North Port Oval</i>	
<b>Finals Week 3 - Preliminary Finals</b>	
Saturday 14th & Sunday 15th September <i>North Port Oval</i>	
<b>Finals Week 4 - Grand Final</b>	
Sunday 22nd September <i>Ethad Stadium</i>	

# Psaila named top volunteer

**It's safe to say Mick Psaila isn't one for individual accolades.**

Having dedicated nearly 30 years of his time to the St Albans Football Club and Western Region Football League, the last thing Mick Psaila expected was to win the AFL State Volunteer of the Year Award, writes Kirstie Fitzgerald.

"When I found out Bob Tregear had nominated me for this award, I wanted to get in the car and drive down to Whitten Oval and kick him in the backside," Psaila said.

The AFL State Volunteer of the Year Award provides leagues with the opportunity to recognise and thank the tireless contribution so many people make to our great game.

After multiple nominations from many worthy applicants across the state, Psaila was selected by AFL Victoria as this year's winner, making him the second WRFL volunteer to have won the prestigious award following Spotswood's Len Murphy in 2010.

"To be honest I felt really embarrassed because over the past 30 years, I have seen lots of people do some amazing work for their local football clubs and they do so week in week without being recognised, so why should I be any different," Psaila said.

As this year's winner, Psaila receives an AFL Prize Package including two seats to the 2013 VFL and AFL Grand Finals, three nights accommodation in Melbourne's CBD, two seats to the official pre-match AFL Grand Final Luncheon at the MCG and the chance to participate in the Grand Final Parade.

"My wife was pretty wrapped to find out I had won the prize," Psaila said.

"It was funny, when she heard I had won she just turned to me and said 'finally after all these years you got something for your effort'," he laughed.

A promising young basketballer growing up, Psaila made the switch to Aussie Rules in 1986 to join the St. Albans Football Club.

Not wasting any time in his new sport, Psaila won the Reserves Best and Fairest award in his debut year and was appointed captain the year after.

Since retiring from playing in 1993, Psaila continued his passion for football from the sidelines, coaching numerous junior and senior teams for several years, and winning back to back flags in 1991-92.

"Some of my fondest memories include watching the kids get focussed and learn life lessons from football which

they may have otherwise not had the opportunity to do so at home," Psaila said.

"Whatever I had put into the club, I got ten times back in return, and it's great to see so many of the kids grow up and forge successful careers and families."

Having also tried his hand at numerous other roles including Chairman of Selectors, Chairman of the Sports Club, Tribunal Advocate, Club Delegate on the League's Committee of Management and President of the club for 11 years, Psaila moved his attention to the league where he was elected to the Board of the WRFL.

"The main reason I got involved was because I didn't like the way things were run so rather than whinge about it I put my hand up to help."

Appointed as Chairman of the League's Strategic Planning Sub-Committee in early 2010, Psaila's leadership saw the WRFL create a Rules Review Sub-Committee which led to the adoption of the independent governance of the WRFL.

Having to retire from the Board to attend to his business earlier this year, the avid Richmond supporter continues to serve as the Chairman of the League's ongoing Rules Review Committee and St. Albans Sports Club Board.

"The work Mick has done for not only the St. Albans Football Club and the WRFL, but for the development of grassroots football in general has been outstanding, and he is a worthy recipient of the award," WRFL Chief Executive Officer Bob Tregear said.

"Let's hope next time I nominate him for an award, I'm out of the country before he finds out!"

Psaila received his award at the VFL Grand Final luncheon today.



# Victoria finishes runner up

**The inaugural Kickstart Youth Girls National Championships have been hailed a resounding success after a week of spectacular football.**

Northern Territory was crowned the first ever champion of the tournament, after defeating Victoria in the recent Grand Final, 6.9 (45) to 6.1 (37).

The home team, made up of U18 Indigenous girls from all over Victoria, entered the Grand Final undefeated and despite leading early, was unable to hold on as NT charged home to win.

The tournament however unveiled a number of supremely talented footballers along the way, with nine Victorian girls from the Grand Final side gaining selection in the Kickstart All Australian side at the end of the week.

Echuca's Desrae Atkinson was one of the home state's standout players with her athleticism one of the features of the tournament.

Atkinson finished with 15 goals, impressing in the nine-a-side format.

Kiara Cooper also impressed on the scoreboard, finishing with 17 goals for the week.

Despite the smaller playing surface the girls attacked the footy with ferocity and were applauded for their team-first brand of football throughout the week.

Naiyana Briggs, Paige Baksh, Klarinda Hudson, Jovey lee Coulson and Alyx Glanville were just some of the names that featured regularly among the best for Victoria across the Championship.

Indigenous Programs Manager Aaron Clark said the standard was incredibly high.

"The amount of talent these girls have is really quite exceptional and to see them in full flight in the Victorian Kickstart Guernsey was fantastic."

Clark said the competition wasn't just about winning games of football, but rather educating the girls on a number of fronts.

"On Wednesday, the girls completed several education sessions around personal well-being, nutrition and injury prevention, and they also learnt about their cultural heritage."

Clark said just bringing the girls together from different parts of Victoria had a significant impact.

"Indigenous girls from Melbourne and Echuca for example will often have different experiences and by the end of the week the girls are able to understand the challenges each other face.

"To see them grow in confidence throughout the week was really rewarding."

Female Football Manager Chylae Kurdas said it was a great achievement for the girls to make the Grand Final, but the week offered so much more to them in their development.

"What we set out to achieve during week, was to engage indigenous girls, build connections between the girls from around the state, and start to develop these females as ambassadors and role models in their communities."



# AFL Victoria on show

Today marks the official end for everyone involved in the TAC Cup and Peter Jackson VFL, but also represents a special occasion for a number of AFL Victoria's program areas.

Over the course of today, the Coles AFL School Ambassadors, AFL Victoria's Multicultural Ambassadors and participants in AFL Victoria's Indigenous Program will gather for three very special events.

The important functions give those who have contributed to these important programs the chance to reflect on a very successful 2013.

## Indigenous stars on the rise

It's been arguably the biggest year yet for AFL Victoria's Indigenous Program with the launch of the Laguntas Program, the Lindsay Thomas Academy and the inaugural Youth Girls Kickstart Program.

Those initiatives, combined with the existing Kickstart program for U14 & U15 boys ensured a busy year for AFL Victoria's Indigenous Department staff.

The range of projects also enabled more young footballers, both boys and girls, to have the opportunity to develop through football.

Today's lunch from 11.00am to 1.00pm will welcome 150 people, including 70 participants from across AFL Victoria's Indigenous program.

Members of the Kickstart boys and Youth Girls programs will be presented with their jumpers, while performances in the Laguntas program will also be recognised.

Indigenous Program Manager Aaron Clark said the event would also be a chance to give an overview of their efforts.

"Our purpose is to provide attendees with a holistic view and insight into the Indigenous programs that operate in Victoria and create a platform to have their voices and opinions heard within the industry," he said.

"With the Laguntas Program up and running we are now able to engage with young footballers from their early teens right through until become young adults.

"We're confident the steps we have put in place will lead to a rise in the number of indigenous players in the AFL and also playing in female football competitions."

Former St Kilda and Brisbane Bears forward Gilbert McAdam will MC the event, while three-time Brisbane Lions premiership star Chris Johnson will lead a panel style discussion.

## Multicultural Ambassadors recognised

Inspiring Australia's diverse population to be involved in Australia Rules Football is one of the greatest challenges facing our game.

The AFL Multicultural Community Ambassador Program aims to further engage multicultural communities through a network of community ambassadors.

Today at Etihad Stadium, six community ambassadors will be recognised for their outstanding contribution throughout the year with a regional community ambassador award.

One community ambassador will then be named Victorian ambassador of the year, taking a home the prestigious award in the first year it has been awarded.

North Melbourne ruckman Majak Daw and former Hawthorn champion and media personality Robert 'Dipper' DiPierdomenco will also appear as special guests with a Q&A live on stage.

The function will also celebrate some notable achievements in the Multicultural Program this year.

The Ahmed Saad squad was launched at the Community Ambassador Induction and has given young footballers from a multicultural background a chance to develop with additional support.

Forty one participants attended a high-performance camp earlier this year before 31 players were invited to be part of the final Ahmed Saad Squad.

The program included a three-day Draftstar camp, monthly sessions with high profile coaches and two matches against the Indigenous Kickstart team.

The Majak Daw squad also ran from May to September with young footballers from diverse backgrounds in the Western region of Melbourne benefiting from a specialised development program and the chance to train with the Western Jets.

## Celebration for Coles AFL School Ambassadors

Coles AFL School Ambassadors play an important role in engaging with young footballers and encouraging their participation in our great game.

Today at Etihad Stadium, three special awards will be handed out at a function to recognise the important role Coles AFL School Ambassadors play.

Award winners will be celebrated for their ability to engage with students and their pro-activeness in implementing AFL curriculum.

Billy Atkin from Clayton North Primary School will be awarded the Coles AFL School Ambassadors of the Year (Primary school), while Noel Mugavin from Emmanuel College in Warrnambool will accept the honour for Secondary School level ambassadors.

And for the first time a Coles AFL Multicultural Ambassador of the Year will be awarded to Matthew Shawcross from Mother of God Primary School, Ardeer.



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# TAC CUP GRAND FINAL PREVIEW: Eastern Ranges vs Dandenong Stingrays

**Will Dandenong Stingrays find that elusive first premierships cup, or will Eastern Ranges complete a stunning rise up the ranks of the TAC Cup ladder in the last 12 months?**

**We preview the TAC Cup Grand Final.**

DANDENONG Stingrays' record over the TAC Cup journey stacks up as well, if not better than most clubs.

The Stingrays, under Peter Russo, Greg Hutchison, Rob Dean and more recently current coach Graeme Yeats, have nurtured and developed some of the finest talent in the AFL over the past 20 years.

Consider some of the achievements of some of these Dandenong graduates – Messrs Leppitsch, Aussie Jones, White, Morrison, Croad, Johnstone, Massie, Fevola, Newman, Ramanauskas, Hille, McPhee, Milne, the Lonie twins, Tuck, Boyd, Nathan Jones, Scully, Bastinac, Parker and Whitfield.

Impressive alumni by any assessment.

What is missing from the Stingrays' CV is a premierships Cup.

Dandenong has been to the big TAC Cup Grand Final four times and returned home each time with nothing to show for it.

Standing in the Stingrays' way from accomplishing a cherished flag is Eastern Ranges, who'll be searching for its second premiership.

Eastern returns to the Grand Final for the first time since 2004 when Calder Cannons thumped them by 70-points.

The Ranges' sole premierships success is in 2002 when its team included current Carlton star Kade Simpson, Sydney premierships player Nick Malceski, Cameron Cloke, Brad Fisher and Blake Grima.

Dandenong's last journey to a Grand Final was in 2009 when the Cannons defeated them by 14-points while the previous year Murray Bushrangers ambushed them by 81-points.

The Ranges/Stingrays Grand Final was a meeting few could have foreseen in the weeks leading into the finals or when they even began three weeks ago.

Dandenong was held to just five goals by Geelong, which inflicted a 41-point loss in the final home and away match.

Eastern dropped its last match against Calder by 47-points and that set up a Qualifying Final match-up by the two Grand Finalists.



Who will win the TAC Cup premierships? (left to right) Ben Cavarra, Darren Bewick, Graeme Yeats & Nathan Foote.

It was a match that the Stingrays controlled and comfortably went on to defeat Eastern by 33 points.

With Nathan Foote, Zak Jones, Jordan Bastinac and Brady Egan all playing well, Dandenong took charge and held a 34-point lead at half time and comfortably held Eastern to a 33-point win.

To their great credit, Darren Bewick has been able to regroup his squad and they responded with a 19-point win against Northern Knights in a Semi Final.

Most expected the Ranges' march to the Grand Final to be stopped in the Preliminary Final where they ran into Geelong Falcons, the most dominant team throughout the home and away season.

Geelong rode into the Preliminary Final on the back of a 40-point win against the Cannons and Eastern, still without their two key players – Tom Boyd and Mitch Honeychurch – went in as pronounced underdogs.

Nobody, however, told the Eastern players they weren't supposed to win and led by Christian Petracca, who kicked five goals and Matthew Traynor with four goals, stunned the Falcons.

It was a tight contest with Eastern extending its two-point quarter time lead to 13-points at half time.

As expected, Geelong rallied in the third quarter to peg back the margin to nine points at three-quarter time to set up a massive last quarter.



*Christian Petracca*

The Ranges responded brilliantly. They answered every challenge and such was its pressure they eventually drew clear as they kicked 6.3 to 2.1 to post a 37-point win.

Eastern will take enormous confidence from the match.

While Petracca and Vic Metro representatives Ben Cavarra and Michael Apeness have been stars all season-long, the Ranges saw Connor O'Sullivan continue his strong late season form.

Tough as nails James Belo was good in contested situations and Joe Fisher was another key contributor.

Speculation raged before the Preliminary Final about the possible return of Boyd, touted as the No 1 Draft pick, but that didn't eventuate.

There's talk again that Boyd and Mitch Honeychurch, troubled by hamstringing issues, could be inclusions for the Grand Final. Both are likely first round selections in the AFL Draft.

Boyd and Honeychurch would be undoubted fillips to the Ranges, but what Eastern has learned in recent weeks is that they have a committed team that believes it can confront any other team, with or without its headline makers.

It's pretty much what you see is what you get with Dandenong whose second half of the season has propelled them from possible finalists to bona fide Grand Finalists.

The Stingrays' blue-collar work ethic has been intrinsic in its wins. They play for each other and run both ways.

It was especially evident against Calder in the Preliminary Final when they firstly kept in the match with their hard running and then they backed themselves in during the last quarter.

The Cannons 15-point lead at three-quarter time quickly evaporated as Dandenong kicked 7.6 to 2.3 to run out 12-point winners.

While it may not have the 'name' players of Eastern, Zak Jones, Jordan Bastinac, Jack Lonie, James Harmes, Nathan Foote and Josh Pickess have enjoyed a consistent season.

Dandenong will need key forward Brady Egan to again put his hand up. Egan has kicked three goals in each final and again needs to impact on the scoreboard.

Both clubs won't leave anything in the change rooms. Expect this Grand Final to go down to the wire.

*Billy Hartung*



## Last Time They Met

### GRAND FINAL



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#### EASTERN RANGES VS DANDENONG STINGRAYS

**Head to Head - Played: 38**

**Eastern Ranges: 13**

**Dandenong Stingrays: 25**

**Last time they met (2013):**

Rd 3, Dandenong Stingrays 20.14.134 d Eastern Ranges 12.14.86

Rd 10, Eastern Ranges 9.13.67 d Dandenong Stingrays 8.9.57

Qualifying Final 2, Dandenong Stingrays 14.5.89 d Eastern Ranges 8.8.56



# TAC CUP MEDIA GRAND FINAL TIPS

**Who has the media tipped for the premiership flag this year? Find out their thoughts:**

## Gabe Sorrentino (TAC Cup Radio)

**Grand Final winner & margin:** Dandenong by 1 point

**Why they will win:** The Stingrays have shown during the latter half of the home and away season and this finals series not to rely on individuals to win them games. They have a tough midfield, plenty of run and class on the outside and have many avenues to goal. Their defence is tough and uncompromising.

**TAC Medallist:** Billy Hartung (Dandenong). Has been the best player in the Finals so far and will continue to perform at a high standard and win the TAC Medal.

## Phil Crooks (TAC Cup Radio)

**Grand Final winner & margin:** Eastern Ranges by 19 points

**Why they will win:** If Boyd plays he joins Apeness and Petracca in a very potent three prong forward line that should produce a winning score.

**TAC Medallist:** Daniel McStay (Eastern Ranges)

## Paige Cardona (TAC Cup Radio)

**Grand Final winner & margin:** Dandenong by 10 points

**Why they will win:** The Stingrays play a terrific brand of team football, and have a multi dimensional forward line littered with an array of sharpshooters that spreads well into the midfield. The attacking power alone should see the Stingrays over the line, whilst the ever-reliable fortress built in defence should curb any Eastern influence.

**TAC Medallist:** Zak Jones (Dandenong). His shift to the midfield this finals series has seen him become a prolific accumulator and a damaging clearance player who has been not only unstoppable, but has led from the front in both finals victories for Dandenong. He spells danger for the Ranges if he gets off the leash.

## Rick Morris (TAC Cup Radio)

**Grand Final winner & margin:** Dandenong to win by 11 points.

**Why they will win:** Stingrays foot skills are the best in the TAC Cup with players such as Billy Hartung, Zak Jones, James Harmes, Josh Pickess, Nathan Foote, Jordan Bastinac and Tom Lamb, they have the ability to create opportunities and deliver the ball clean to their forwards.

**TAC Medallist:** Billy Hartung (Dandenong Stingrays)

## Callum Twomey (AFL Media)

**Grand Final winner & margin:** Dandenong Stingrays – 14 points

**Why they will win:** They're fit and firing and have all their stars in form. Will take some confidence into the game after their last-quarter comeback win in the preliminary final against the Calder Cannons.

**TAC Medallist:** Zak Jones (Dandenong Stingrays)

## Brent Diamond (The Age)

**Grand Final winner & margin:** Eastern Ranges by 22 points

**Why they will win:** The Ranges have a potent forward line that could yet be headlined by Tom Boyd. Even if Boyd doesn't play, they have shown in finals that they have the capacity to outgun teams when it counts.

**TAC Medallist:** Christian Petracca (Eastern Ranges). Probably the in-form forward of the finals series.

## Jarrod Potter (Star Newspaper)

**Grand Final winner & margin:** Dandenong by 23.

**Why they will win:** Where other teams have had natural ability, the Stingrays worked off determination, which has led them on a giant slaying campaign so far. Hopefully it continues onto the biggest and greatest stage in junior football.

**TAC Medallist:** James Harmes (Dandenong Stingrays)

## Adrian Dunn (TAC Cup Record)

**Grand Final winner & margin:** Dandenong Stingrays 16 points

**Why they will win:** Finally, after so many unsuccessful trips to the Grand Final, the blue collar Stingrays will prevail.

**TAC Medallist:** Zak Jones (Dandenong Stingrays)

## VERDICT

Dandenong	6
Eastern	2



# TAC CUP FUTURE STARS

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**Each week they catch up with rising TAC Cup stars as part of the**  
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## **Josh Pickess – Dandenong Stingrays**

### **What does your coach say too much?**

He just yells all the time and is always straight forward straight to the point

### **Mila Kunis or Miranda Kerr?**

Mila Kunis

### **Favourite TV show?**

Big Bang Theory

### **What's your favourite place to go on a road trip?**

Echuca up on the Murray River

### **What's the best thing about TAC Cup Footy?**

Meeting new players who become friends and improving our skills.

### **What song best describes AFL National Talent Manager and TAC Cup: Future Stars panellist Kevin Sheehan?**

Gangnam Style

## **Billy Hartung- Dandenong Stingrays**

### **Best advice you've been given?**

Take every opportunity you get.

### **Best thing about TAC Cup footy?**

Playing with your mates.

### **Mila Kunis or Miranda Kerr?**

Miranda Kerr

### **What does your coach say too much?**

"Why is he even on the field?"

### **Who is your favourite Footy Show personality: Sam Newman, James Brayshaw or Garry Lyon?**

Garry Lyon. I love how they get into him.

### **Which AFL player do you most admire?**

Trent Cotchin

### **Which song best describes AFL National Talent Manager and TAC Cup: Future Stars panellist Kevin Sheehan?**

Give Me a Home Among the Gumtrees

## **Tom Boyd – Eastern Ranges**

### **Best advice you've been given?**

Lose some weight

### **Mila Kunis or Miranda Kerr?**

Mila Kunis, for sure.

### **Best thing about TAC Cup footy?**

ts competitive nature and high standard of footy every week

### **Favourite road trip destination?**

Anglesea

### **Favourite hobby outside footy?**

Surfing

### **Favourite TV show?**

Game of Thrones

### **Who is your favourite Footy Show personality: Sam Newman, James Brayshaw or Garry Lyon?**

Sam Newman

### **What does your coach say too much?**

"Press up"

### **Who is your most annoying teammate?**

Dan McStay

### **Which song best describes AFL National Talent Manager and TAC Cup: Future Stars panellist Kevin Sheehan?**

What About Me by Shannon Noll



Tom Boyd

## **Ben Cavarra – Eastern Ranges**

### **Best advice you've been given?**

There's no easy road to success.

### **Best thing about TAC Cup footy?**

Challenging myself and playing against the best opposition possible.

### **Which AFL player do you most admire?**

Daniel Kerr, Brent Harvey and Cyril Rioli

### **Favourite TV show?**

How I Met Your Mother

### **Favourite road trip destination?**

Phillip Island

### **Favourite subject at school?**

Italian

### **Which song best describes AFL National Talent Manager and TAC Cup: Future Stars panellist Kevin Sheehan?**

You're Beautiful by James Blunt

# Falcons bundled out by Eastern

**Eastern proved even without two of its more talked about stars, they could still book a berth in the 2013 Grand Final, defeating flag favourite Geelong.**

TALK for much of the week leading into the Preliminary Final was whether touted No 1 AFL Draft selection Tom Boyd would return for Eastern Ranges showdown against Geelong Falcons.

For all the hype, Boyd was not in the Ranges' team and although his inclusion would be a major bonus, Eastern was able to progress to the Grand Final without him.

The Ranges upset Geelong 17.15 (117) to 11.14 (80) in a match where Christian Petracca stood tall and the Falcons were dealt some cruel blows.

Morriish Medalist George Cameron injured an ankle and although he played on he wasn't anywhere near as dominant as he had been throughout the season.

Key defender Darcy Gardiner and midfielder James Tsitas along with Sam Russell all suffered knocks that saw them off the ground and the Falcons' inability to have its best players firing on all cylinders proved telling.

Certainly, Eastern looked a far more formidable team than it had when the finals first started and they looked sharper from the get-go than the Falcons.

Just two points separated the teams at quarter-time with the Ranges holding the narrow edge.

Many thought Geelong would slip into another gear as they had for much of the home and away season, but Eastern not only withstood the pressure, but ramped up the blow torch themselves.

Whenever Geelong threatened, Eastern was able to rally to hold its advantage.

The Ranges, with Petracca proving a lively and dangerous target, and Ben Cavarra winning plenty of possessions, increased its lead to 13-points at half time.

Both teams were wasteful around goal, but Eastern was able to convert most of its second half opportunities.

While Eastern held an 11-point lead at three-quarter time it was still hard to predict with certainty which way the match would go.

Eastern took control of the last quarter, snuffing out Geelong's season with a 6.3

to 2.1 blitz as they coasted to a comfortable 37-point win.

Petracca was able to beat a succession of opponents and his ability to impact repeatedly on the scoreboard proved decisive.

With Petracca kicking five goals, and Matthew Traynor seizing every opportunity with four goals, they combined to kick nine of the team's 17 goals.

For Geelong, co-captain Alex Hickey led from the front as he has for most of the season, Patrick McCartin was strong up forward and Teia Miles and Russell were also fine contributors.

Apart from Petracca, clearly best-on-the-ground, Eastern was well served by Cavarra, Mitch Keedle, James Belo and Joe Fisher.

**EASTERN RANGES 17.15 (117) defeated  
GEELONG FALCONS 11.14 (80)**



*Luke Hannon marks strongly for Eastern*

# Stingrays run over Cannons

## The Dandenong Stingrays saved their best till the last quarter to bundle Calder out of the finals

FOR much of the first three-quarters it appeared that Calder Cannons was heading back to familiar territory – a TAC Cup Grand Final.

Calder looked set to make its ninth Grand Final appearance in the past 14 seasons as they appeared to have the measure of Dandenong Stingrays in its Preliminary Final.

After a first quarter which saw the clubs locked on 4.3, Calder gradually began to take charge.

The Cannons, with Vic Metro player Jake Owen in good form and Josh Cauchi and Jason Cooke keeping the scoreboard ticking over, took a 13-point lead into the main break.

While Dandenong refused to surrender, Calder increased its lead to 15-points at three-quarter time.

All the indicators pointed to Calder running away with the match, but it was the Stingrays that pumped the accelerator the most in the last term.

Dandenong simply out ran Calder as they had 13-scoring shots to the Cannons six. Significantly, the Stingrays kicked 7.6 while holding Calder to 3.3 as they registered a 16.12 (108) to 14.12 (96) victory.

It was a win built on self-belief, working together as a team and running hard both ways as well as lending support wherever possible.

Zak Jones, younger brother of Melbourne's best player Nathan, again played his heart out.

Jones had plenty of mates as Jack Lonie, Billy Hartung, Jordan Bastinac, Nathan Foote and Brady Egan all played telling roles.

Lonie copped an early knock, but he refused to let that ruin his day. If anything, he returned to play one of his best games for the club.

Bastinac, a younger brother of North Melbourne star Ryan, continued what has been a good end to the year.

Foote has been among Dandenong's best for most of the season and the Preliminary Final was no exception.

Egan kicked three goals to match the three he kicked against Eastern in the Qualifying Final and while he may not have been as productive he still played his role.

It afforded Dandenong another chance to finally win its first TAC Cup premiership after four unsuccessful Grand Final appearances.

Dandenong will need to reproduce the same sort of intensity, pressure and running power as they displayed against Calder to achieve the full reward for their season.

For Calder, Owen was outstanding while Vic Carboni, Jedd Clothier, Mark Kovacevic, Paul Ahern and Matthew Merlo all played well.

In the end they were overrun by a more determined Dandenong Stingrays.

**DANDENONG STINGRAYS 16.12 (108) defeated CALDER CANNONS 14.12 (96)**

*Zak Jones marks over the pack last weekend*





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# TAC Cup Team of the Year

All 12 regions were represented in the TAAC Cup Team of the Year, announced on Morrish Medal night.

The Geelong Falcons topped the list with four members in the squad.

Despite a mid-season ankle injury, Eastern Ranges power forward Tom Boyd impressed enough to be selected at full forward, while North Ballarat Rebels tough-nut Matt Crouch also overcame his own injury worries to be named in the centre.

Geelong Falcons duo Fraser Fort and Darcy Gardiner were named in the two key defensive posts, joining teammate Lewis Taylor who was named on a half forward flank and James Tsitas on the interchange.

Zak Jones (Dandenong Stingrays) and Louis Herbert (North Ballarat Rebels) were rewarded for their stellar seasons with a berth in the back six, alongside 19-year-old prospects Jake Owen (Calder Cannons) and Tom Langdon (Sandringham Dragons).

Excitement machines Billy Hartung (Stingrays) and Josh Kelly (Dragons) are the side's two wingman, a mouth-watering proposition if the team was ever to play an actual match.

Northern Knights' classy utility Ben Lennon and Ranges small man Mitch Honeychurch fill the forward line with the competition's leading goalkicker Josh Scott (Gippsland Power) and Ranges giant Michael Apeness.

The followers, all rewarded for their consistency, was Jack Leslie (Power) Jacob Chisari (Bendigo Pioneers) and Michael Gibbons (Murray Bushrangers).

While not able to force their way into the starting 18, the extended interchange is chock full of stars.

James Sicily (Western Jets), Christian Salem (Dragons), Jay Kennedy Harris (Oakleigh Chargers), Nick Holman (Bushrangers) and Marcus Bontempelli (Knights) have all enjoyed fantastic years and forced their way into draft calculations.

We profile each of the Team of the Year players:

## BACKS

**ZAK JONES** – Dandenong Stingrays

Hard Running, fierce competitor who has shown his skills in defence and further up the ground. Vic Country joint MVP winner and also an All Australian in 2013.

**FRASER FORT** - Geelong Falcons

Was the backbone of the back half for the Falcons this year. Also received Vic Country honours in the U18 Championships. Strong attack on ball is a key to his game.

**JAKE OWEN** – Calder Cannons

Rangy, versatile mid tall in his 19th year who is a strong mark and fierce competitor. Played U18 Nationals and possess attacking flare and a strong attack on the ball. Good ability to work repeatedly and win his own football.

## HALF BACKS

**LOUIS HERBERT** – North Ballarat

19yo utility type that can play variety roles. Strong marking is a standout of his game. Represented Vic Country this year, and also won the TAC Coaches Award after a consistent season.

**DARCY GARDINER** - Geelong Falcons

A key defender this season for the Falcons. Was also in the AIS/AFL Academy 2012/13. Was rewarded for a great U18 Championship for Vic Country will selection in the All Australian team.

**TOM LANGDON**- Sandringham Dragons

Skilful 19 year old who played 5 games with Sandringham in the VFL. Possess good football IQ and the ability to play as a dangerous forward. Played National Champs with Vic Metro in 2012.

## CENTRES

**BILLY HARTUNG** – Dandenong Stingrays

Another member of the AIS/AFL Academy 2012/13. He is a hard running midfielder who has excellent pace and endurance. Also receive All Australian honours in 2013

**MATT CROUCH** - North Ballarat

Strong aggressive inside midfielder from Nth Ballarat Rebels. Represented Vic Country at the U18 Championships, was AIS/AFL Academy member and also played for the Roosters in the VFL this season

**JOSHUA KELLY**- Sandringham Dragons

All Australian in 2013 who has super game management and very elite running ability. An AIS/AFL graduate who makes good decisions and has solid skill execution.

## **HALF FORWARDS**

### **BEN LENNON** - Northern Knights

All Australian in 2013 who plays tall and possess excellent marking and kicking skills. AIS/AFL Academy graduate with strong ability to win his own football and create scoring opportunities from nothing.

### **THOMAS BOYD** - Eastern Ranges

All Australian in 2013. Stand out tall forward who has blossomed into a real physical presence as a key forward. Strong mark and handy speed and agility for his size and reliable kick for goal.

### **LEWIS TAYLOR** - Geelong Falcons

Hard running Falcons midfielder, with silky skills. Was a back to back Vic Country representative in 2012/13 as well as part of the AIS/AFL Academy. Injury stopped his second half of the season.

## **FORWARDS**

### **MITCH HONEYCHURCH** - Eastern Ranges

All Australian and Metro U18 MVP in 2013. Comeback from injury during the year was outstanding. A highly competitive inside mid/small forward, who is tenacious and wins his own football and demonstrates a very strong work ethic and professional attitude.

### **MICHAEL APENESS** - Eastern Ranges

Vic Metro U18 Coaches Award winner in 2013. Versatile tall who shone in the ruck and up forward during the U18 Nationals and the TAC Cup season. Hard working and competitive, possesses a strong overhead mark and very agile and dangerous when the ball hits the ground.

### **JOSH SCOTT** - Gippsland Power

Was the dominant goal kicking forward in the TAC Cup this season. Won the goal kicking award and also was a Vic Country representative two years running in 2012/13. Co-Morrish Medal winner 2013.

## **FOLLOWERS**

### **JACK LESLIE** - Gippsland Power

A dominant ruckman for the Power and Vic Country this year. Very aggressive tall.

### **JACOB CHISARI** - Bendigo Pioneers

Co Morrish Medal winner 2013. An inside midfielder, who is an outstanding clearance player for the Pioneers.

### **MICHAEL GIBBONS** - Murray Bushrangers

Is a high possession player. Starred this year for both the Pioneers and NSW/ACT in the U18 Championships in the midfield.

## **INTERCHANGE**

### **CHRISTIAN SALEM** - Sandringham Dragons

Vic Metro U18 representative with uncanny kicking skills and spatial awareness. AIS/AFL graduate who has improved in his ability at working harder, longer and is a game winner with his disposal.

### **JAMES SICILY** - Western Jets

Vic Metro u18 representative who has shone as a forward/outside mid during the year. His one on one marking ability and elusiveness has been a highlight and has turned games around with his impact up forward.

### **JAY KENNEDY-HARRIS** - Oakleigh Chargers

Vic Metro U18 representative and Flying Boomerang representative in 2011. Elusive, quick and balanced. Smart, opportunistic small forward who has good defensive pressure and solid skills.

### **NICK HOLMAN** - Murray Bushrangers

Was one of the key players for the Bushrangers and Vic Country this year in the midfield. Rewarded for his form in the Championship, awarded Co Winner of the Vic Country MVP.

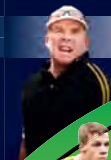
### **MARCUS BONTEPELLI** - Northern Knights

Vic Metro representative and AIS/AFL Academy graduate. Tall inside/outside mid with excellent quick, clean hands and vision. Solid decision maker who takes a good overhead mark and has a strong work rate.

### **JAMES TSITAS** - Geelong Falcons

Another member of the AIS/AFL Academy in 2012/13. Key tough inside midfielder how helped the Falcons sit on top of the ladder during the home and away rounds. Also a Vic Country representative.

# TAC CUP TEAM OF THE YEAR 2013



**COACH: DARREN BEWICK**  
EASTERN RANGES



**Speed hurts.**  
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## FOLLOWERS

## INTERCHANGE



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Gippsland Power

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**DANDENONG:** The Stingrays would like to acknowledge the ongoing support of the Transport Accident Commission of the competition. The TAC Cup is widely regarded as the best underage sporting development competition in Australia and directly due to the hard work of the players, staff and sponsors of the competition. Today, the Stingrays look forward to our 6th Grand Final appearance in the TAC Cup since 1992 this time taking one of our closet TAC Cup club rivals in the Eastern Ranges, which going on the three outings this year will be another tough exiting contested game. The Stingrays would like to thank our two Major Sponsors' in Brett Kellerman from Blue Gum and Gavin Koch from Coffey Ford. Without their companies generous and continued support of the club for season 2013 and many prior years it wouldn't have been possible. We also thank our Silver Sponsors' in Silvio Marinelli and his team at Highview Accounting, Ross and Liz Chudleigh from Garrleigh Trophy Centre, David Haines and his team at Patterson Cheney Toyota, Dandenong along, with Dandy Ice and Storage for their ongoing support. And finally, our 52 player sponsors we thank you again for your support. The Stingrays also take this time to recognize and thank the support of our band of parents and siblings who have followed and supported their sons / brothers for not just this year, but for all the years that they have been involved in the Stingrays programs. And finally, to our loyal and amazing staff in the TAC Cup squad and the Under 15 & 16 Highview squads, our recruiting staff and the entire support staff who have over the past three season worked hard in putting the 2013 list together. We also look forward to celebrating our great year with all of our staff, players, families & friends at the Stingrays Presentation Night, this year to be held at Dingley International on Friday 4th October, please book your tickets with Peter Dye at the office or via email in the coming weeks, get in quick as tables are going fast and we are limited to 200 attendees and are well past 120. Be sure to jump on the website ([www.dandenongstingrays.afl.vic.com.au](http://www.dandenongstingrays.afl.vic.com.au)) or follow us on Twitter for all the latest info and updates. Go the Rays, I shall be supporting you from Paris listening through the TAC Cup Radio team through Red Time Sports, so Crooksey looking forward to a sing out! (Wheels)

**EASTERN RANGES:** The Eastern Ranges would like to wish all our players and everyone from the Dandenong Stingrays the best of luck in today's TAC Cup Grand Final. After a couple of lean seasons, it is wonderful to see the Eastern Ranges start to see some team and individual reward for all the hard work and effort put in by the players and staff over the past couple of years. Regardless of today's result, the Eastern Ranges would like to congratulate our playing list on its season to date, the club is very proud of the way you have handled yourselves both on and off the field, taking us into our first Grand Final since 2004. Congratulations again to Ben Cavarra for finishing equal first in the Morrish Medal count, with Eastern Ranges Head Coach Darren Bewick also winning the TAC Cup Coach of Year award. We would also like to extend a special thanks to all our wonderful staff, families and supporters for all their tireless work throughout the year.

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# Eastern Ranges Player Profiles

## 1. AARON BOND

A dependable small defender who makes good decisions and kicks the ball well. Highly respected by his peers and has had a very consistent season. Provides plenty of offensive run and is creative by hand and foot.



## 2. BEN CAVARRA

Dynamic small midfielder who can play both inside and out. Is a Vic Metro rep who leads by example. Club Captain and was the 2013 joint Morrish Medal winner. Is explosive around the ball with his speed and is able to kick to advantage.



## 3. NICK EVANS

A versatile player who has played a number of roles this year. A clean ball winner who makes good decisions. Can break the lines with genuine speed and is able to win the ball inside and out.



## 7. CHRISTIAN PETRACCA

A Vic Metro rep that is a courageous player and strong overhead. Plays above his height but is equally effective on the ground. Can play forward and midfield is smart and able to hit the scoreboard. Attacks the ball ferociously.



## 8. DANIEL NIELSON

Key defender and Vic Metro Futures player who has good closing speed and has the ability to smash packs and spoil contests. Reads the game well and intercepts with his marking. Has had a very consistent season on smalls and tall.



## 9. SAM GIBSON

A versatile player who defends well and has good footy smarts in reading the game and being able to negate opponents. Is aggressive and can kick the ball to advantage.



## 10. JORDAN WALKER

A Vic Metro rep that is able to win the ball on the inside and outside and makes good decisions. Can play a range of positions and kicks the ball well to advantage. Is competitive and will drive hard through the middle of the ground.



## 11. DANIEL MCSTAY

A Vic Metro Rep and defender who can also push forward. Is a fantastic mark with a good vertical leap. Is composed under pressure and able to make good decisions. Has had a very consistent season. Has worked hard to become stronger and this has allowed him to compete with bigger bodies.



## 12. MITCHELL HONEYCHURCH

Vic Metro rep, All Australian and TAC Cup Team of the Year who has been hampered by injury for a large part of the season. Is damaging around the ball and can play forward and is able to hit the scoreboard. Is super competitive by nature and hunts the ball.



## 13. DION DE PACE

A lean ruckman who has had a consistent season. Has worked hard to continually improve and is able to compete and run all day. Will continue to develop in the coming years.



## 14. MITCHELL KEEDLE

A Vic Metro rep that can play in all thirds of the ground. Has good speed and runs the lines well. Has had some injury interruptions but past weeks has seen significant improvement.



## 15. MICHAEL APENESS

Vic Metro rep and TAC Cup Team of the Year this key position/ruckman has had an outstanding season. He is aggressive and his contested marking has been a feature.



## 16. SCOTT MCINERNEY

Light bodied forward wingman with a very good skill set. Is an elite kick and given space and time can be damaging. Did not play until late in the year due to injury so great to see him back playing.



## 17. THOMAS BOYD

Vic Metro rep, All Australian and Team of the Year, this power forward had a fantastic start to the year. Suffered a significant injury and has missed 13 weeks of footy. Contested marking and speed and agility for his size are a key.





### 18. CONNOR O'SULLIVAN

Ruck/Key position player who has had a very consistent season. His past fortnight has seen him dominate through the middle of the ground with his ruck and clearance work. Is a competitor with soft hands and has come good at the right time.



### 19. LUKE HANNON

Bottom age midfielder who is in the Vic Metro Futures. Wins contested ball and is good above his head and has played every game which shows his professionalism and resilience. A future leader who is well respected by his peers.



### 21. JOSEPH FISHER

Had an excellent season as a rebounding and dependable half back. Professionalism and work ethic is outstanding. Athletic and reads the game well, very good skill set and respected leader.



### 22. BRYCE BATTY

A courageous player who is strong overhead. A smart forward who competes well one on one and has earned the respect this year with his fierce attack on the ball. Is quick and uses the ball well.



### 23. ANDREAS ROTH

A livewire around goals who can break the lines with his blistering pace. Can hit the scoreboard and will need to be watched closely.



### 25. CHRIS MCDUGALL

Bottom age player who is super quick. Breaks the lines and uses the ball well. Is hardworking and will continue to improve.



### 26. JAMES BELO

A physical inside midfielder who wins his own ball. High work rate and a strong overhead mark who has had a very good season. First season in as an 18 yr old and his leadership and coach ability have made him a favourite amongst his coaches and peers.



### 27. JACOB CROWE

A reliable player with both speed and endurance. A good athlete who kicks the ball well. Damaging rebound player who is creative and sets up offensive play. Plays a vital role for the team as his willingness to work both ways is a feature.



### 28. DANIEL WELSH

A very reliable midfielder/defender that plays a vital role each week. Is disciplined with a high work rate. Is admired by many for his output each week and is admired by those who play alongside him.



### 33. MATTHEW TRAYNOR

Small forward who is extremely smart. Does not need a lot of space to hurt the opposition. Works hard in the fwd 50 with defensive pressure and knows how to hit the scoreboard.



### 34. KYLE STAPLES

Versatile medium forward/defender that competes well. Has very good hands and presents well.



### 37. LIAM RILEY

Medium small defender who is able to negate and run offensively when given the chance. Can also push into the midfield should he be needed. Is a fantastic young man who is mature and is able to adjust to different roles throughout a game.



### 40. MATTHEW BURT

Has had an excellent year in his first season of TAC Cup. Is composed and reliable as a defender with great endurance. Is consistent in approach and has handled some difficult challenges this season. Is well respected due to his commitment to improvement.



### 44 RYLEY MONKHORST

Aggressive ruckmen who is a very good kick. Has continued to strive to improve and be the best he can be. Will continue to develop in the coming years.



### 46 TRENT CODY

Versatile small who can play midfield and forward. Is an elite kick and works hard both offensively and defensively. Given space will hurt you by hand and foot.



### 52. CHRIS JONES

Key position/ruckmen who has overcome a significant injury to play this season. Has very good hands and can finish his work. Competes well both in the air and on the ground and is very well liked by his peers.





# Eastern Ranges



**Coach:** Darren Bewick

**Captain:** Ben Cavarra

1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3rd Qtr	4th Qtr

NO.	PLAYER	DOB	HT	WT	PREVIOUS CLUB	G	B
1	Aaron Bond	25-Apr-95	173	65	Rowville		
2	Ben Cavarra	20-Dec-95	173	69	Ferntree Gully		
3	Nick Evans	1-Jun-95	178	71	Norwood		
7	Christian Petracca	1-Apr-96	185	96	Beverley Hills		
8	Daniel Nielson	9-May-96	192	87	Vermont		
9	Sam Gibson	9-Jan-95	184	84	Ferntree Gully		
10	Jordan Walker	30-Dec-94	185	77	Donvale		
11	Daniel McStay	24-Jun-95	193	86	Vermont		
12	Mitchell Honeychurch	2-Mar-95	175	65	Vermont		
13	Dion De Pace	11-Jun-95	198	86	Belgrave		
14	Mitchell Keedle	21-Feb-95	184	69	Norwood		
15	Michael Apeness	28-Jan-95	199	101	Donvale		
16	Scott McNerney	19-Aug-95	178	67	Knox		
17	Thomas Boyd	22-Aug-95	199	102	Norwood		
18	Connor O'Sullivan	25-Dec-94	196	92	East Ringwood		
19	Luke Hannon	28-May-96	187	75	Upwey-Tecoma		
21	Joseph Fisher	26-Jan-95	187	79	Vermont		
22	Bryce Batty	16-Jan-97	180	74	Lilydale		
23	Andreas Roth	3-May-95	174	72	Donvale		
25	Christopher McDougall	26-Apr-96	174	66	Whitehorse Colts JFC		
26	James Belo	16-Apr-95	186	78	East Ringwood		
27	Jacob Crowe	18-Apr-95	179	82	East Ringwood		
28	Daniel Welsh	11-Jul-95	186	85	Gembrook/Cockatoo		
33	Matthew Traynor	12-Dec-96	177	72	Rowville		
34	Kyle Staples	13-May-95	190	84	Vermont		
37	Liam Riley	14-May-95	180	73	Mazenod Old Collegians		
40	Matthew Burt	22-Feb-96	180	66	Lilydale		
44	Ryley Monkhorst	8-Mar-95	198	92	Woori Yallock		
46	Trent Cody	29-Jan-95	176	72	Noble Park		
52	Chris Jones	18-Mar-95	196	82	Emerald		

**MATCH UMPIRES:**

**Field Umpire** Andrew Talbot (6)

**Field Umpire** Michael Curtis (4)

**Field Umpire** Robert Young (2)

**Emergency Field** Daniel Butcher (36)

# Dandenong Stingrays

Live on TAC CUP Radio from 10:15am

**Coach:** Graeme Yeats**Captain:** Nathan Foote

1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3rd Qtr	4th Qtr

NO.	PLAYER	DOB	HT	WT	PREVIOUS CLUB	G	B
1	Billy Hartung	24-Jan-95	176	71	Mornington		
2	Jordan Bastinac	31-Aug-95	182	76	Berwick		
3	Angus Scott	18-Jun-95	175	70	Edithvale-Aspendale		
5	Taylor Joyce	02-Feb-96	187	85	Beaconsfield		
6	Alex Harnett	12-Apr-96	183	80	Frankston YCW		
7	Nathan Foote	13-Dec-95	178	71	Narre Warren		
9	Jack Lonie	13-Aug-96	173	66	Seaford		
10	Clayton McCartney	11-Jun-95	176	70	Cranbourne		
11	Zak Jones	15-Mar-95	181	74	Mt Eliza		
12	Blake Pearson	16-Jan-95	174	74	Doveton		
13	Ryan Marks-Logan	18-Jun-94	191	75	Frankston Bombers		
14	Daniel Capiron	14-Jun-96	188	80	Edithvale-Aspendale		
16	Jake Wilson	27-Jun-96	183	84	Berwick		
17	Blake Mullane	18-Apr-95	181	86	Mt Eliza		
18	Nathan Gardiner	15-May-95	187	84	Cranbourne		
19	Brady Egan	18-Dec-94	188	84	Rye		
21	Matt Rennie	16-Jun-94	190	81	Rowville		
22	James Hammond	31-Mar-95	187	82	Mt Eliza		
23	Dale Gawley	24-Dec-95	193	83	Narre Warren		
24	Jack Soroczynski	13-Aug-95	186	81	Narre Warren		
26	Daylan Kempster	27-Jan-96	192	84	Keilor Park		
29	Tyle Williams	05-Nov-94	189	80	Dromana		
30	Tom Lamb	19-Oct-96	191	82	Edithvale-Aspendale		
31	Joshua Newman	22-Dec-94	181	80	Mornington		
38	Agape Patolo	22-Apr-95	197	98	Noble Park		
41	Josh Pickess	12-Sep-95	180	75	Frankston YCW		
44	James Harmes	05-Oct-95	183	75	Devon Meadows		
46	Mitch White	10-Apr-96	188	82	Seaford		
47	Kyle Gray	14-May-96	189	81	Edithvale-Aspendale		

**Boundary Umpire** Jordan Andrews  
**Boundary Umpire** Jake Robertson

**Boundary Umpire** Nick Laurence  
**Goal Umpire** Sam Walsh

**Goal Umpire** Peter Balding  
**Emergency Goal** Matthew Dervan

# Dandenong Stingrays Player Profiles

## 1 BILLY HARTUNG

Hard running mid fielder who can play as a small defender. Elite kick. Has good pace, elite endurance and runs the lines. Surely one to watch



## 2 JORDAN BASTINAC

Very good at stoppages and hard running Half forward / Wingman. Brings team mates into play with good quick hands.



## 3 ANGUS SCOTT

Agile, quick wingman / forward who is a reliable kick and good finisher who is very good defensively despite his diminutive size



## 5 TAYLOR JOYCE

Third tall forward who has strong hands and fine-tuned kicking style.



## 6 ALEX HARNETT

Hard inside flashy on baller who carries the ball well. Penetrating kick who missed a few games with knee injury.



## 7 NATHAN FOOTE

Captain. Tough hard running small defender who has played on ball. Very good through traffic



## 9 JACK LONIE

On baller with an uncanny knack of kicking multiple goals whilst resting forward. Strong in 1 on 1 and very good defensive skills for his size



## 10 CLAYTON MCCARTNEY

Uncanny knack of kicking multiple goals. Very good defensive skills for his size, very good closing speed.



## 11 ZAK JONES

Tough inside mid fielder who can go forward effectively. Strong in 1 on 1 contests and good defensive skills. Played Vic Country Under 18's in the backline and was named MVP



## 12 BLAKE PEARSON

Back up midfield. Very good decision marker, strong penetrating kick. Can play running half back.



## 13 RYAN MARKS-LOGAN

Over Age player who is a reliable running defender who is a very good kick and has good closing speed. Can play on tall and smalls. Can push further up the ground.



## 14 DANIEL CAPIRON

17 year old with enormous upside. Clean, clever and sees the game well. Strong overhead and can play back forward and in the mid field. 20013/14 AIS AFL Academy



## 16 JAKE WILSON

Half Back defender with a long kick and clean hands. Love's 1 on 1 contests. Runs the lines



## 17 BLAKE MULLANE

Hard as nails on baller, midsized forward. Very strong over the ball, goes forward and kicks goals



**18 NATHAN GARDINER**

Power forward who is a very good contested mark penetrating kick.

**19 BRADY EGAN**

Mobile key forward. Strong overhead and reliable kick at goal. Very good closing speed and can be used as ruck rover.

**21 MATT RENNIE**

Power forward who is a very good contested mark. Can be used a mobile ruck. Overage player who led competition in contested marks in 2012.

**22 JAMES HAMMOND**

Very mobile ruckman with a good leap and strong attack on the ball. Strong contested marker. Can play back CHB and plays taller.

**23 DALE GAWLEY**

Key position swingman. Has played key defender, key forward and has the motor to play on the wing. Works hard and presents hard to the ball.

**24 JACK SOROCZYSKI**

Hard running on-baller or flanker. Very strong in 1 on 1 and wins plenty of the ball. Strong at stoppages

**26 DAYLAN KEMPSTER**

Key defender who always it presented a tough job in the backline.

**29 TYLE WILLIAMS**

Key defender who has done a good job shutting down key forwards. Is a reliable mark and very good decision maker.

**30 TOM LAMB**

17 year old with strong upside. Can play on-ball or forward. Good attack on the ball and reliable kick. Elite running and able to special things. 20013/14 AIS AFL Academy

**31 JOSH NEWMAN**

Half back / Wingman with a good turn of foot and long kick. Can be used as a strong body midfield.

**38 AGAPE PATOLO**

Very good tap ruck that shoulders the load in the middle for the Stingrays.

**41 JOSH PICKESS**

Hard as nails on baller, midsized forward. Very quick and highly rated especially in defensive efforts with good endurance.

**44 JAMES HARMES**

Running defender who is strong overhead and an excellent kick and decision maker. Links up well and runs the lines.

**46 MITCH WHITE**

Key defender who curtails the mobile midsized forwards. Very reliable mark and excellent decision maker. Injury forced him out at the start of finals.

**47 KYLE GRAY**

17 year old Key defender who curtailed the mobile midsized forwards, but can play on the big cats. Very reliable mark and excellent decision maker





POS	TEAM	P	W	L	D	For	Agst	%	PTS
1	Geelong Falcons	17	14	3	0	1426	948	150.42	56
2	Eastern Ranges	17	12	5	0	1551	1251	123.98	48
3	Dandenong Stingrays	17	10	7	0	1334	1094	121.94	40
4	Calder Cannons	17	10	7	0	1417	1190	119.08	40
5	Western Jets	17	9	7	1	1464	1280	114.38	38
6	Northern Knights	17	9	7	1	1437	1368	105.04	38
7	Gippsland Power	17	9	8	0	1535	1282	119.73	36
8	Murray Bushrangers	17	9	8	0	1110	1258	88.24	36
9	Sandringham Dragons	17	8	8	1	1144	1169	97.86	34
10	Oakleigh Chargers	17	6	10	1	1122	1384	81.07	26
11	Bendigo Pioneers	17	3	14	0	1031	1459	70.66	12
12	North Ballarat Rebels	17	2	15	0	757	1466	51.64	8

GOAL KICKERS

Player	Team	LW	Total
Josh Scott	Gippsland Power	#	51
Christian Petracca	Eastern Ranges	5	41
Andreas Roth	Eastern Ranges	DNP	32
Josh Cauchi	Calder Cannons	3	31
Nathan Gardiner	Dandenong Stingrays	-	30
Jack Lonie	Dandenong Stingrays	3	29
Peter Wright	Calder Cannons	1	28
Mitchell Norton	Western Jets	#	28
Matthew Traynor	Eastern Ranges	4	26
James Sicily	Western Jets	#	26
Alex Carr	Gippsland Power	#	25
Matt Rennie	Dandenong Stingrays	2	24
Callum Cathcart	Sandringham	#	24
Michael Apeness	Eastern Ranges	2	23

KICKS

Player	Team	Kicks
James Tsitas	Geelong Falcons	22
Alex Hickey	Geelong Falcons	20
Billy Hartung	Dandenong Stingrays	19
Christian Petracca	Eastern Ranges	18
James Harmes	Dandenong Stingrays	17
Jacob Sharp	Geelong Falcons	17
Matthew Merlo	Calder Cannons	16
Paul Ahern	Calder Cannons	15
Jedd Clothier	Calder Cannons	15
Jack Lonie	Dandenong Stingrays	15
Teia Miles	Geelong Falcons	14
Jarryd Bonello	Calder Cannons	13
Zak Jones	Dandenong Stingrays	13
Patrick McCartin	Geelong Falcons	13

MARKS

Player	Team	Marks
Patrick McCartin	Geelong Falcons	12
Christian Petracca	Eastern Ranges	11
Luke Davis	Geelong Falcons	9

Billy Hartung	Dandenong Stingrays	8
Alex Hickey	Geelong Falcons	8
James Tsitas	Geelong Falcons	8
Daniel Capiron	Dandenong Stingrays	7
Tom Lamb	Dandenong Stingrays	7
Mitch Jensen	Calder Cannons	6
James Harmes	Dandenong Stingrays	6
Michael Apeness	Eastern Ranges	6
Nick Dixon	Geelong Falcons	6
Scott Dixon	Geelong Falcons	6
Darcy Gardiner	Geelong Falcons	6

HANDBALLS

Player	Team	Handballs
Jedd Clothier	Calder Cannons	15
Zak Jones	Dandenong Stingrays	15
Nick Dixon	Geelong Falcons	15
Matthew Merlo	Calder Cannons	14
Luke Davis	Geelong Falcons	14
James Harmes	Dandenong Stingrays	13
Jake Owen	Calder Cannons	12
Connor O'Sullivan	Eastern Ranges	12
Nicholas Bourke	Geelong Falcons	12
Victor Carboni	Calder Cannons	10
Joe Maishman	Geelong Falcons	10
James Belo	Eastern Ranges	9
Reid Adams	Geelong Falcons	9
Marcus Thompson	Geelong Falcons	9

UMPIRE NUMBERS

1 Richard MILLS	16 Matthew OAKLEY	29 Jack EDWARDS
2 Robert YOUNG	17 Jarrod WAIGHT	30 Ashley BEDFORD
3 Matthew BROWN	18 Nicholas FINCH	32 Haydn O'CONNOR
4 Michael CURTIS	19 Hayden GAVINE	33 Robert MONK
5 Andrew McCOY	20 Robert O'GORMAN	34 Jarryd BARRY
6 Andrew TALBOT	21 Brent WALLACE	35 James DAVEY
8 Shaun GLEESON	22 Jason SCHILLING	36 Daniel BUTCHER
9 Jamie GRINDAL	24 Tim CARLOS	37 Tyler HANKINSON
11 Brett RITCHIE	25 Gareth VERBERNE	

Note: AFL Umpires will wear 27, 28, 31, 38, 39, 40

## PRELIMINARY FINALS

<b>Dandenong Stingrays</b>	<b>4.3</b>	<b>5.5</b>	<b>9.6</b>	<b>16.12</b>	<b>108</b>
<b>Calder Cannons</b>	4.3	7.6	11.9	14.12	96

### Dandenong Stingrays

Goal Kickers: B. Egan 3, B. Mullane 3, J. Lonie 3, M. Rennie 2, J. Pickess, C. McCartney, A. Scott, D. Gawley, T. Lamb  
 Best Players: Z. Jones, J. Lonie, W. Hartung, J. Bastinac, D. Capiron, N. Foote

### Calder Cannons

Goal Kickers: J. Cooke 3, J. Cauchi 3, R. O'Brien 2, J. Foster, J. Clothier, P. Ahern, T. Davies, A. Prestia, A. Christensen  
 Best Players: J. Owen, V. Carboni, J. Clothier, M. Kovacevic, P. Ahern, M. Merlo

<b>Geelong Falcons</b>	3.3	5.9	9.13	11.14	80
<b>Eastern Ranges</b>	<b>3.5</b>	<b>7.10</b>	<b>11.12</b>	<b>17.15</b>	<b>117</b>

### Geelong Falcons

Goal Kickers: P. McCartin 3, H. Goddard 3, B. Beardsell, A. Christensen, J. Maishman, S. Dixon, G. Cameron  
 Best Players: A. Hickey, P. McCartin, T. Miles, S. Russell, B. Beardsell, L. Davis

### Eastern Ranges

Goal Kickers: C. Petracca 5, M. Traynor 4, J. Crowe 2, M. Apeness 2, D. Welsh, N. Evans, T. Cody, S. McInerney  
 Best Players: C. Petracca, C. O'Sullivan, J. Belo, B. Cavarra, M. Keedle, J. Fisher

## DRAW IN TAC CUP GRAND FINAL

What happens when the scores are tied at the end of four quarters in the TAC Cup Grand Final? Last year both Oakleigh Chargers and Gippsland Power were in this position at the end of the game.

We walk you through what will happen in the TAC Cup Grand Final:

There will be no drawn TAC Cup finals matches. In the event of scores being level at elapsed time, the timekeepers shall not sound the siren until such time as the next score is recorded – a golden score.

In the event that time elapses and a team has a set kick for goal with the opportunity of levelling the scores (ie: the team is one point or six points behind) the siren will not be sounded.

If after the kick a winner is known, the siren shall be sounded immediately following the goal umpire's signal. If the kick results in scores being level the siren shall not be sounded until the next score is recorded.

The emergency goal umpire will sit with the timekeepers

<b>Round 1 (Metro Round)</b>
Sunday 24th March
Calder Cannons 11.9.75 def by <b>Northern Knights 15.7.97</b>
Oakleigh Chargers 9.16.70 def by <b>Eastern Ranges 17.16.118</b>
<b>Sandringham Dragons 16.9.105</b> def Western Jets 12.10.82
<b>Round 2 (Easter Weekend)</b>
Saturday 30th March
<b>Bendigo Pioneers 12.18-90</b> def North Ballarat Rebels 7.6-48
<b>Gippsland Power 12.13-85</b> def Dandenong Stingrays 8.14-62
<b>Geelong Falcons 16.10-76</b> def Murray Bushrangers 9.4-58
Sunday 31st March
<b>Western Jets 17.7-109</b> def Northern Knights 15.12-102
Eastern Ranges 7.7-49 def by <b>Sandringham Dragons 10.10-70</b>
<b>Oakleigh Chargers 11.14-80</b> def Calder Cannons 11.7-73
<b>Round 3</b>
Saturday 8th April
Gippsland Power 14.7-91 def by <b>Oakleigh Chargers 14.12-96</b>
<b>Murray Bushrangers 8.15-63</b> def Bendigo Pioneers 3.5-23
Eastern Ranges 12.14-86 def by <b>Dandenong Stingrays 20.14-134</b>
Sunday 7th April
North Ballarat Rebels 5.6-36 def by <b>Geelong Falcons 14.14-98</b>
Northern Knights 10.11-71 vs Sandringham Dragons 9.17-71
<b>Western Jets 14.11-95</b> def Calder Cannons 14.9-93
<b>Round 1 (Country Round)</b>
Saturday 14th April
Bendigo Pioneers 6.8-44 def by <b>Gippsland Power 23.11-149</b>
<b>Murray Bushrangers 12.15-87</b> def North Ballarat Rebels 6.5-41
<b>Geelong Falcons 18.10-118</b> def Dandenong Stingrays 7.11-53
<b>Round 4 (Metro Round)</b>
Saturday 20th April
Western Jets 11.11-77 vs Oakleigh Chargers 11.11-77
<b>Eastern Ranges 17.15-117</b> def Northern Knights 10.11-71
<b>Calder Cannons 11.12-78</b> def Sandringham Dragons 7.10-52
<b>Round 5</b>
Saturday 27th April
<b>Northern Knights 13.15-93</b> def Bendigo Pioneers 10.12-72
<b>Calder Cannons 12.11-83</b> def North Ballarat Rebels 3.11-29
Oakleigh Chargers 4.8-32 def by <b>Geelong Falcons 10.12-72</b>
Murray Bushrangers 12.8-80 def by <b>Eastern Ranges 17.11-113</b>
Sandringham Dragons 7.8-50 def by <b>Gippsland Power 9.16-70</b>
Sunday 28th April
Western Jets 12.15-97 def by <b>Dandenong Stingrays 15.8-98</b>
<b>Round 6</b>
Saturday 4th May
Queensland Scorpions 4.10-34 def by <b>Calder Cannons 21.15-141</b>
<b>Bendigo Pioneers 11.17-83</b> def Oakleigh Chargers 11.3-69
Tasmania 9.10-64 def by <b>Eastern Ranges 19.9-123</b>
<b>Dandenong Stingrays 13.9-87</b> def Murray Bushrangers 5.7-37
<b>Geelong Falcons 18.11-119</b> def Northern Knights 3.5-23
Sunday 5th May
<b>Gippsland Power 18.11-119</b> def Western Jets 16.13-109
North Ballarat Rebels 1.7-13 def by <b>Sandringham Dragons 5.9-39</b>
<b>Development Weekend - 11th &amp; 12th May</b>

<b>Round 7</b>
Saturday 18th May
Western Jets 8.15-63 def by <b>Tasmania 12.9-81</b>
<b>Sandringham Dragons 12.16-88</b> def Oakleigh Chargers 5.7-37
NSW/ACT Rams 7.11-53 def by <b>Murray Bushrangers 12.11-83</b>
Bendigo Pioneers 9.5-59 def by <b>Dandenong Stingrays 10.16-76</b>
<b>Northern Knights 12.14-86</b> def North Ballarat Rebels 10.8-88
Calder Cannons 10.5-65 def by <b>Geelong Falcons 14.11-95</b>
<b>Eastern Ranges 15.14-104</b> def Gippsland Power 11.11-77
<b>Round 4 (Country Round)</b>
Saturday 25th May
Bendigo Pioneers 8.8-56 def by <b>Geelong Falcons 9.11-65</b>
<b>Dandenong Stingrays 13.10-88</b> def North Ballarat Rebels 5.5-35
<b>Murray Bushrangers 10.7-67</b> def Gippsland Power 8.16-64
<b>Round 8</b>
Saturday 1st June
Murray Bushrangers 4.8-32 def by <b>Western Jets 14.11-95</b>
<b>Calder Cannons 14.5-89</b> def Dandenong Stingrays 6.11-47
<b>Gippsland Power 13.19-97</b> def Northern Knights 10.11-71
<b>Geelong Falcons 16.11-107</b> def Sandringham Dragons 4.2-26
<b>Eastern Ranges 13.14-92</b> def Bendigo Pioneers 4.14-38
Sunday 2nd June
<b>North Ballarat Rebels 16.15-111</b> def Oakleigh Chargers 5.10-40
<b>Development Weekend - 8th &amp; 9th June</b>
<b>Round 9</b>
Saturday 15th June
Northern Knights 11.8-74 def by <b>Western Jets 12.17-89</b>
<b>Bendigo Pioneers 13.11-89</b> def Calder Cannons 7.10-52
<b>Gippsland Power 18.17-125</b> def North Ballarat Rebels 5.9-39
Geelong Falcons 2.9-21 def by <b>Eastern Ranges 20.9-129</b>
<b>Oakleigh Chargers 10.5-65</b> def Dandenong Stingrays 8.6-54
Sunday 16th June
<b>Murray Bushrangers 10.18-78</b> def Sandringham Dragons 8.15-63
<b>Round 10</b>
Saturday 22nd June
Sandringham Dragons 11.8-74 def by <b>Northern Knights 13.4-82</b>
<b>North Ballarat Rebels 11.11-77</b> def Bendigo Pioneers 10.11-71
Western Jets 9.10-64 def by <b>Geelong Falcons 10.7-67</b>
Calder Cannons 11.11-77 def by <b>Gippsland Power 16.18-114</b>
Oakleigh Chargers 9.17-71 def by <b>Murray Bushrangers 13.14-92</b>
Sunday 23rd June
Dandenong Stingrays 8.9-57 def by <b>Eastern Ranges 9.13-67</b>
<b>Round 11</b>
Saturday 29th June
Eastern Ranges 8.9-57 def by <b>Western Jets 25.12-162</b>
Bendigo Pioneers 8.10-58 def by <b>Murray Bushrangers 13.13-91</b>
<b>Gippsland Power 15.9-99</b> def Sandringham Dragons 10.10-70
<b>Northern Knights 12.17-89</b> def Dandenong Stingrays 7.9-51
Sunday 30th June
<b>Geelong Falcons 17.11-113</b> def North Ballarat Rebels 6.8-44
<b>Calder Cannons 10.12-72</b> def Oakleigh Chargers 7.7-49
<b>Round 12</b>
Saturday 6th July
Murray Bushrangers 3.4-22 def by <b>Geelong Falcons 17.15-117</b>
<b>Dandenong Stingrays 17.15-117</b>
North Ballarat Rebels 6.5-41 def by <b>Eastern Ranges 16.16-112</b>
<b>Sandringham Dragons 17.14-116</b> def Bendigo Pioneers 11.5-71
<b>Geelong Falcons 15.7-97</b> def Oakleigh Chargers 6.6-42

Sunday 7th July
<b>Northern Knights 13.18-96</b> def Calder Cannons 6.9-45
<b>Western Jets 11.11-77</b> def Gippsland Power 10.15-75
<b>Round 13</b>
Saturday 13th July
<b>Calder Cannons 12.20-92</b> def Western Jets 13.13-91
<b>Oakleigh Chargers 20.10-130</b> def Northern Knights 16.16-112
<b>Dandenong Stingrays 18.15-123</b> def Bendigo Pioneers 8.5-53
North Ballarat Rebels 4.6-30 def by <b>Murray Bushrangers 15.5-95</b>
Sunday 14th July
<b>Sandringham Dragons 8.15-63</b> def Eastern Ranges 9.8-62
Gippsland Power 6.9-45 def by <b>Geelong Falcons 10.9-69</b>
<b>Development Weekend - 20th &amp; 21st July</b>
<b>Round 14</b>
Saturday 27th July
<b>Dandenong Stingrays 15.17-107</b> def Sandringham Dragons 5.7-37
Gippsland Power 13.13-91 def by <b>Eastern Ranges 15.11-101</b>
<b>Northern Knights 13.10-88</b> def Geelong Falcons 11.15-81
<b>Oakleigh Chargers 7.14-56</b> def Bendigo Pioneers 5.14-44
Sunday 28th July
Murray Bushrangers 10.7-67 def by <b>Calder Cannons 18.12-120</b>
North Ballarat Rebels 6.12-48 def by <b>Western Jets 8.6-54</b>
<b>Round 15</b>
Saturday 3rd August
Oakleigh Chargers 4.10-34 def by <b>Western Jets 10.9-69</b>
Bendigo Pioneers 13.6-84 def by <b>Geelong Falcons 13.10-88</b>
North Ballarat Rebels 1.4-10 def by <b>Dandenong Stingrays 8.10-58</b>
<b>Eastern Ranges 12.23-95</b> def Murray Bushrangers 8.8-56
Sunday 4th August
Sandringham Dragons 6.9-45 def by <b>Calder Cannons 15.10-100</b>
<b>Northern Knights 16.16-112</b> def Gippsland Power 11.11-77
<b>Development Weekend - 10th &amp; 11st August</b>
<b>Round 16</b>
Saturday 17th August
Bendigo Pioneers 6.6-42 def by <b>Western Jets 16.20-116</b>
North Ballarat Rebels 4.5-29 def by <b>Northern Knights 17.7-109</b>
<b>Dandenong Stingrays 11.14-80</b> def Gippsland Power 10.12-72
Geelong Falcons 8.9-57 def by <b>Calder Cannons 8.10-58</b>
Sunday 18th August
Eastern Ranges 10.12-72 def by <b>Oakleigh Chargers 8.8-56</b>
<b>Sandringham Dragons 12.19-91</b> def Murray Bushrangers 5.8-38
<b>Round 17</b>
Saturday 24th August
<b>Gippsland Power 11.19-85</b> def Bendigo Pioneers 8.6-54
<b>Murray Bushrangers 9.10-64</b> def Northern Knights 8.13-61
Dandenong Stingrays 5.12-42 def by <b>Geelong Falcons 13.5-83</b>
<b>Oakleigh Chargers 17.16-118</b> def North Ballarat Rebels 8.10-58
Sunday 25th August
<b>Calder Cannons 14.16-100</b> def Eastern Ranges 8.5-53
Western Jets 3.7-25 def by <b>Sandringham Dragons 12.12-84</b>
<b>Finals Week 1 - Qualifying &amp; Elimination Finals</b>
Saturday 31st August & Sunday 1st September <i>Visy Park</i>
<b>Finals Week 2 - Semi Finals</b>
Sunday 8th September <i>Visy Park</i>
<b>Finals Week 3 - Preliminary Finals</b>
Saturday 14th September <i>Visy Park</i>
<b>Finals Week 4 - Grand Final</b>
Sunday 22nd September <i>Etihad Stadium</i>



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**Black team 13.13 91 d Green team 8.8 56**





**Geelong Falcons 11.14-80 d Eastern Ranges 17.15-117**



**Dandenong Stingrays 16.12-108 d Calder Cannons 14.12-96**



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