#### Round 2 Hectorville

I have to admit I was dreading this game after hearing the weather forecast and that Jacob was captain, I had visions of standing in the rain trying to take photos and notes to write the match report (on Mother's Day). As it happens the meteorologists got it wrong and it was actually a very pleasant morning and with the Rams playing so well it was a very enjoyable morning (a happy Mum after all).

This week the boys really put in a top effort, they showed more confidence than last week and really worked hard to get the ball. There was some fantastic marking and passing between each other as well as some great tackles. I did take some notes each quarter but as another parent told me I will also let some of my pictures do the talking.

Captain Jacob won the toss and chose to kick to the Southern end.



The boys listening in carefully to the pregame instructions.

### **First Quarter**

The boys started off really well working hard in defence and the midfield to get the ball down to the forwards.

There was a notable play, which started from Reid in defence to Alex then Ashton and on to Freddie who had a good attempt at goal.

Tom W laid a number of strong tackles in the midfield.

Another great play was from Kristos in the forward line who got the ball and did a lot of dodging and weaving to get himself clear to have a shot on goal.





Tap out by Freddie, with Ned and Archer in support.



Tom W in the midfield

Reid bringing the ball out of defence and a good pick up by Archer







Ashton breaking through a tackle



A strong tackle by Archer



Kristos dodging and weaving

#### **Second quarter**

There was some great forward pressure with the forwards tackling aggressively to get the ball back. A good pick up and handball by Jacob resulted in a goal from Tom W.

There was some really good team play with some excellent passes and marks. Quite a few marks taken in the forward line from great passes from the mid field.

There was a notable clearance from Ned and Louis in defence. Angus showed courage after recovering from a hit in the face to take a fabulous mark.







Reid marked strongly and had a number of good disposals in the midfield

#### **Third Quarter**

The boys showed confidence increased by the third quarter. Reid gave a great pass to Archie, which resulted in a goal. The mid field worked hard and was able to deliver the ball to the forward line on many occasions. Archer, Tom K, Freddie and Kristos worked tirelessly in defence. There was also some excellent passing and calling for the ball with Nick kicking an awesome long goal at the end of the quarter.

# Archie's goal





Angas chasing the ball

Great tackle Nick



# **Fourth Quarter**



Louis chasing the ball

Another great quarter, Louis was a stand out taking a number of great marks in the forward line. The forward line worked well passing to each other and another nice piece of play was a pass from Henry to Angus, which resulted in a goal. The midfield worked well to get the ball forward and the defence was strong with some great tackling and clearances.

One of Louis marks in the forward line





Good tackle by Tom W



Jacob clearing the ball from defence

Freddie in the mid field



### **End of Game**

Shaking opposition hands and end of game huddle



Simon was very happy with the teams effort and the boys were able to sing their team song with gusto and enjoyed the post game lollies.

Look forward to seeing you all again at next weeks game, fingers crossed for nice weather again.

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