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This year the TAC Cup celebrated 25 years and we recognised the players and staff that have played a key role in the rich history of Australia's premier U18 competition. We wish those TAC Cup players graduating from the competition at the end of this year all the best for the future and we will keep an eye on your football journey with interest. Some will be given an opportunity at AFL level in the various NAB AFL Drafts in late November, with players in today's season finale like Will Brodie, Todd Marshall (Murray), Andrew McGrath and Tim Taranto (Sandringham) ones to watch. Others will be playing in the VFL or returning to local level to continue their football. Whatever the level, we hope the TAC Cup competition has helped develop not only your football skills but off-field knowledge as you take your skills back to your various regions and clubs.

In the VFL, we have enjoyed record TV ratings with our broadcast partner Channel 7. Homeand-away numbers were up six per cent averaging 53,000 viewers a week, while finals have averaged 108,000 viewers with the Grand Final still to come. Thanks to the team at Channel 7 and McGuire Media for their dedication and commitment to helping promote the competition. The broadcasts play a vital role in promoting our clubs, partners and of course the high standard of football on offer throughout the season.

Best of luck to all teams today and we look forward to seeing you again in season 2017.

Steven Reaper

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Peter Jackson VFL Legendairy Grand Final preview



CASEY SCORPIONS vs FOOTSCRAY Sunday September 25, Etihad Stadium, 3pm THE HISTORY

The Casey Scorpions are looking for a sixth premiership since joining the competition in 1982 under the name Springvale and their first since 1999. The club hasn't won a flag while known as Casey, with the name change taking place in 2006 - in fact, a run of 11 straight finals losses (including four straightsets exits) stretching back to 2008 only ended this year with victory over the Bulldogs in a Qualifying Final. Springvale was the premier in 1987 under the coaching of Phil Maylin, in 1995 under Michael Ford. 1996 under Brad Gotch and 1998 and 1999 under Peter Nicholson, while the club has lost only one Grand Final, to Williamstown in 1990. Footscray is seeking a second triumph in three years after capping its first year in the VFL as a fully AFL-aligned team in 2014 with premiership glory. The Bulldogs defeated the Box Hill Hawks by 22 points under the match-day captaincy of Jordan Russell (regular co-captains Nick Lower and Lukas Markovic missed the match), with Brett Goodes taking home the Norm Goss Medal for best-on-ground. Their team that day included 10 players still on the Western Bulldogs or Footscray lists, with Russell now the sole appointed captain.

THIS YEAR'S ENCOUNTERS

Round 15: Footscray 12.12 (84) d Casey 13.5 (83) at VU Whitten Oval

The Bulldogs snatched victory with a behind from Anthony Barry in the final minute of the match after trailing by 30 points at the last change. Momentum swung from quarter to quarter with a strong wind, meaning Footscray's two first-term goals – the only majors kicked into the breeze all game – proved crucial. Bailey Dale kicked four goals, Mitch Honeychurch racked up 32 disposals and Jed Adcock laid 21 tackles as the Bulldogs conceded more of the ball to Casey but continually pressured the Scorpions into error.

Qualifying Final: Casey 20.8 (128) d Footscray 8.10 (58) at Casey Fields

The Scorpions managed to play the game on their terms after an even first half, piling on 13 goals to two after the main break to explode into a preliminary final. Casey dominated possession and beat up the Bulldogs in the contests, creating gilt-edged opportunities for forwards like Angus Scott (four goals) and Sam Weideman (three) that same number of inside-50s. Jack Grimes (27 disposals, two goals), Alex Neal-Bullen (30, two) and Viv Michie (31, one) were all influential.

HOW THE SCORPIONS CAN WIN

Casev's all-round ability has been on show in two contrasting finals victories. The VFL's top-ranked team for uncontested possessions, inside-50s and goals per game won the ball at the coalface and shared it around with quick-fire handballs to break through Footscray's defence in the Qualifying Final and put 20 goals on the board. The depth of damaging Melbourne-listed ball-winners must seem endless to opposition teams - with Jack Grimes, Matt Jones, Ben Kennedy, Viv Michie, Alex Neal-Bullen, Ben Newton, Clayton Oliver and Jack Trengove featuring in the middle, Footscray won't be able to keep an eye on all of them. But what makes this group – along with hard-nuts **Ed Morris** and **James** Munro - so dangerous is their willingness to tackle when they don't have the ball. In the Preliminary Final against Williamstown, the Scorpions often lost the stoppage battle but then harassed the Seagulls into crucial errors. The Bulldogs were the VFL's bottom-ranked team for contested marks per game and 13th-ranked team for goals per inside-50 this season, and if their forward-line entries are rushed by Casey's pressure, it'll only simplify the task of intercept-and-rebound specialists Lynden Dunn and **Jack Hutchins**. The Scorpions have the attacking firepower to capitalise on their midfield's work too, with Tim Smith and Sam Weideman capable of dominating Footscray's relatively short defence in the aerial battle. Talent runs deep across the field, but will Casey bring the same intensity the Bulldogs always

HOW THE BULLDOGS CAN WIN

Footscray has the same heart that's made the football world fall in love with AFL affiliate the Western Bulldogs. Regularly under-manned and often undersized at either end of the ground, both teams are unconditional in their attack on the contest and seemingly never out of the game. The Bulldogs fielded just eight AFL-listed players in their Qualifying Final loss to Casey, with a generally young group overwhelmed by the more hardened Scorpions. But in last week's Preliminary Final, Tom Campbell, Fletcher Roberts, Koby Stevens and Bailey Williams had been added to the mix and Footscrav made a meal of Collingwood. To match it with Casey's deep midfield, Stevens and Williams will have to go to work alongside Mitch Honeychurch, Lukas Webb and **Jed Adcock** in the clinches, while Campbell and Will Minson will likely need to beat Jake Spencer and Oscar McInerney in a pivotal ruck battle. Roberts will also play an important role, attempting to limit the influence of the tall, multi-pronged Scorpions forward line. If he can bring the ball to ground, the Bulldogs have one of the VFL's best counter-attackers in captain Jordan Russell prepared to catapult his team forward – and that's when they really shine. Lauchlan Dalgleish and Andrew Tashevski-**Beckwith** love to find space on the wings and surge the ball inside 50 to mobile targets like Bailey Dale, Mitch Hannan, Will Hayes, Nick Jamieson and the rapidly emerging **Ben Long**. The question is: Will Casey's midfielders give them enough chances to





VFL News

VFL Preliminary Finals review

FOOTSCRAY 27.19 (181) d COLLINGWOOD 9.8 (62)

Footscray inflicted a 119-point mauling on Collingwood at North Port Oval, building on its lead at each change before finishing with a 10-goal final quarter. Six majors from Ben Long in only his sixth VFL game was a highlight for the Bulldogs as they booked a second Grand Final berth in three years. Their quick ball movement out of the middle and rebound off half-back set up eight multiple goalkickers who contributed to the biggest score of 2016 by any VFL team. Nine unanswered goals either side of quarter time set up the result, with Footscray exploding to a 58-point lead during the second term. Collingwood fought back to cut the margin to 37 early in the third stanza, but the victors responded emphatically with 16 of the last 19 goals of the game.



CASEY SCORPIONS 12.13 (85) d WILLIAMSTOWN 5.13 (43)

Casey advanced to its first VFL Grand Final since 1999 by blowing the Seagulls away early at North Port Oval. The Scorpions controlled possession of the ball in the first term, keeping Williamstown to just one behind on the back of a strangling team defence. Ed Carr slotted his team's first goal early in the second quarter, but Casey forwards Tim Smith (three goals for the game), Declan Keilty (two) and Oscar McInerney (two) were causing too many problems up the other end. Christian Salem was stretchered off after hitting his head on the ground in a tackle but his loss didn't stop the Scorpions building a lead of 35 points at half time. Lynden Dunn continually proved to be a wall standing in the way of Williamstown's forward thrusts and helped Casey keep the Seagulls to their lowest score of the year.



Lockwood leaves Gulls' nest

Cameron Lockwood has played his last Peter Jackson VFL game after missing Williamstown's Preliminary Final loss to the Casey Scorpions with a hamstring injury.

The 28-year-old Seagulls vice-captain has retired from the competition after 124 games – including 12 this year. He was a key part of Williamstown's 2015 premiership victory, kicking three goals from 15 disposals as part of a dynamic group of small forwards that torched the Box Hill Hawks' defence.

The former Western Jets TAC Cup player won the Seagulls' best-and-fairest award in 2013 and was also a Victorian representative player in 2014.

Finals a ratings winner

The penultimate weekend of Peter Jackson VFL action on Channel 7 was again a ratings winner for the competition.

The VFL Legendairy Finals Series is averaging 108,000 viewers per game, with 118,000 tuning in for Collingwood versus Footscray last Saturday and 109,000 on Sunday for Casey Scorpions versus Williamstown. Footscray's Semi Final victory over Essendon a week earlier was the highest-rating game the VFL has had on Channel 7 (the 2014 Grand Final on ABC produced the highest-ever ratings for a TV game with 198,000).

The home-and-away ratings averaged 53,000 this year, up six per cent on 2015's figures.



Development League Grand Final review

BOX HILL HAWKS 26.16 (172) d CASEY SCORPIONS 10.7 (67)

The Box Hill Hawks finally snapped a run of four AFL Victoria Development League Grand Final losses with an emphatic 105-point triumph over the Casey Scorpions last week.

The Hawks had played in the previous eight Grand Finals but 'only' claimed flags in 2009, 2010 and 2011. They fell to Coburg in 2012 and then Williamstown in the last three deciders – including two settled by golden points – before achieving redemption on Sunday at North Port Oval. Despite Box Hill's senior team missing the VFL finals for the first time since 2008 this year, the talent on the club's list clearly still runs deep.

Coach Matt Adolph's premiership team boasted a spread of 14 individual goalkickers, with **Anthony Brolic** (six majors) – in just his first season out of the TAC Cup – leading the way ahead of **Matthew Traynor** (five). **Will Murphy** was named the Fred Hill Memorial Medallist for the best player on the ground in the same week in which he finished runner-up in the A.Todd Medal count, while **Nick Evans**, **Mitch O'Donnell** and **Sam Switkowski** were also influential.

The signs were ominous for the Scorpions from the match's opening minutes. Two weeks prior in their Semi Final encounter, Box Hill set up a 92-point win with a barnstorming six-goal-to-one first quarter.

This time, an early goal to Traynor triggered a run of five unanswered Hawks majors before Tom Wyatt finally put Casey on the board having been the beneficiary of back-to-back 50-metre penalties. However, Liam Kidd's immediate answering goal was a reflection of how firmly Box Hill had control of the contest.

Liam Hulett opened the second term with a muchneeded major to reduce the Scorpions' deficit to 31 points, but the door was essentially shut on Casey when Hawks trio Lachlan Langford, Traynor and then Brolic all answered with their second goals. Later, a huge mark and resulting set-shot goal for Brolic just before the main break was a fitting end to his team's dominant first half.

Bryce Rutherford and Kody Wilson battled hard for the Scorpions but they couldn't stop the procession after half time either, another seven goals to one in the third quarter pushing the margin over 100 points and confirming the Development League flag's return to Box Hill City Oval.





The Choice of the Hawks



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The Darebin Falcons are the inaugural champions in the Swisse VFL Women's after claiming a gritty 12-point Grand Final victory over Melbourne Uni in an enthralling contest at Piranha Park.

Having won the last three WWFL Premier Division flags, the Falcons aimed to continue their run into the new competition. They led for all bar the first five minutes of the game, keeping the Mugars at arm's length after producing a strong opening term. Match-defining performances from Falcon stars Karen Paxman, Elise O'Dea and Darcy Vescio – who claimed her second consecutive Grand Final Best-on-Ground Medal – helped seal a hard-fought premiership, 9.9 (63) to 8.3 (51). Callum O'Connor and Michael Thompson recap how the Falcons recorded an unbeaten season.

Fans have become accustomed to the Falcons breaking opponents in swift, savage and stunning bursts of play but they had to grind it out every inch of the way in the 2016 Grand Final. Aside from a three-goal five-minute run in the opening quarter, Darebin were forced to start over from every play, often holding out Melbourne Uni rather than dictating the play themselves.

Finally, after an errant kick-in, Nicole Callinan was able to open the scoring for the Falcons by converting a set shot. It was reward for the Falcons' large dominance in possession early on.

Having earned a place in Melbourne Uni's starting 22 across the second half of the season, Karly Tapner quickly replied for the underdogs with her first goal.

Although the Mugars' defence forced Darebin into kicking hurriedly and turning the ball over going forward, they undid their good work with poor disposal coming out of the back line. The Falcons were able to kick three quick goals to finish the term and give themselves some breathing space leading by 23 points at quarter time.

Melbourne Uni changed tactics and began to make up ground on the Falcons after quarter time. Full forward Jess Anderson goaled immediately to start the second term and a blistering run out of defence from Emma Kearney saw Ellie Blackburn convert her side's third. Melbourne Uni's fearless attack on the ball was beginning to visibly shape the contest, with the Mugars getting on top in the clearances in their first Grand Final berth in eight years.

Darebin however were still calling the shots thanks to the tireless efforts of Paxman and O'Dea, while winger Nat Exon's game had gone to another level on the big stage.

Tapner's second goal cut the half-time margin to 13 points, as the 5,000 plus crowd enjoyed a close contest heading into the second half.

VFL Women's





While Melbourne Uni was stunting Darebin's forward movement with their pressure, they needed to keep the scoreboard ticking over to make their efforts count. The third quarter effectively decided the 2016 VFL Women's Grand Final as the Mugars missed several key chances to bring themselves to within striking distance of the Falcons.

Within two minutes, a wayward kick-in opened the door for Exon to extend the margin to 20 points then Vescio burst from a pack to extend the Falcons' lead to 26 points.

The Mugars were able to respond quickly through Emma Kearney – who was one of the Mugars' best throughout the afternoon – displaying her trademark dash to win a centre clearance before Deanna Berry found Tapner, who converted her third goal from directly in front.

In true Darebin fashion however, the Falcons just found a way to respond. Katie Brennan took a mark inside 50 and converted after the three-quarter-time siren to restore the 26-point buffer going into the final term.

Darebin slowed the tempo in the last and began to work their way through the Mugars' defence. They soon extended their margin to a game high 31 points when Vescio took a strong contested mark and converted.

To the Mugars' credit, they fought the game out right to the end and put a lot of respectability back on the scoreboard by kicking three late goals, but it was too little too late as the siren sounded to confirm a 12-point Darebin premiership victory.

As has been the case all season, the discipline, skill and teamwork of the Falcons meant they were just too good when it mattered.



5 Tips for a Legendairy Grand Final Day

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Having a Grand Final party at your place this year? Grab some 100% Aussie cheese and be inspired by these Legendairy ideas for feeding the crowd, stress free!

Loaded Snags – what would GF day be without a good old Aussie snag? Cheap, cheerful and always satisfying. This year make them loaded snags... set up a snag station and let people pile them high with shredded cheese, slaw, sauerkraut, crispy bacon, mustard, pickles, you name it!

Grazing Cheese Boards – Cheese is your best friend when it comes to entertaining. It satisfies every palate and takes next to no work. This year, turn your ordinary cheese board into a grazing board jam-packed board full of goodies. Choose a hard cheese like cheddar or parmesan, a soft cheese like brie or camembert and something a little adventurous, like a blue - then pile the board high with a range of antipasto, cold meats, crackers, dips and fruit to keep the crowd content for the afternoon. Tip: bring the cheese to room temp before serving for maximum flavour and texture.

Sausage Rolls (but not as you know them) – Homemade Sausage rolls are always a party favourite. This year, put a cheesy take on them and throw in a handful of grated Aussie cheese for maximum juiciness and flavour - or mix together spinach, feta and ricotta to make a delicious meat free alternative.

Bocconcini Pizza – Everybody loves a simple pizza with fresh ingredients, so top a few pizza bases with ham, tomato, bocconcini and fresh basil – 5 minutes of prep, then watch the crowd cheer!

Cheese Twists – A family fav! Sandwich two sheets of puff pastry with finely grated cheese (parmesan, cheddar or whatever you fancy), then slice into ribbons, brush with egg and sprinkle with sesame seeds. Twist, place onto a tray and bake. Spectacular!

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TAC Cup Grand Final preview



MURRAY BUSHRANGERS vs SANDRINGHAM DRAGONS

Sunday September 25, Etihad Stadium, 11.05am THE HISTORY

Both teams are gunning for their third TAC Cup premiership. The Bushrangers won flags in 1998 and 2008 after finishing the home-and-away season in third and first position respectively, and have also lost deciders in 2003 and 2007. Former Port Adelaide AFL player Michael Stevens won the 1998 Grand Final Best-on-Ground Medal in a 36-point victory over the Geelong Falcons when Kelly O'Donnell was coach, while Collingwood star Steele Sidebottom claimed the honour for his 10-goal performance in an 81-point triumph over the Dandenong Stingrays in 2008 under the coaching of Phil Bunn. In 2003 and 2007 however, the Bushrangers suffered losses to the Calder Cannons of 92 and 60 points respectively. The Dragons were champions in 1999 after finishing the home-and-away season in third position and in 2011 after finishing second. Brad Gotch coached Sandringham to a 50-point victory over the Gippsland Power in 1999 with Dylan Smith named the best player on the ground, while current Collingwood VFL coach Dale Tapping held the reins in 2011 when the Dragons recorded a thrilling eight-point triumph over the Oakleigh Chargers, with Melbourne midfielder Jack Viney the Best-on-Ground Medallist for Oakleigh.

THIS YEAR'S ENCOUNTERS

Round 5: Murray 11.7 (73) drew with Sandringham 10.13 (73) at Norm Minns Oval

The Dragons generated more scoring shots despite recording five fewer inside-50s, but their ability to convert those forward thrusts into goals was lacking. Tom Maloney (four majors) was Sandringham's biggest weapon in attack, while Goy Lok (25 disposals, 10 inside-50s, two goals) was damaging and Harrison Burt (42 disposals, 11 clearances) prolific. Ben Paton kicked three goals for Murray and Nick Richards provided grunt at the contests. Both teams were missing a handful of first-choice players to school or NSW/ACT representative football duties.

Round 15: Murray 11.10 (76) d Sandringham 8.11 (59) at Rams Arena

Despite going scoreless in the first term and then trailing by 19 points at three-quarter time, the Bushrangers flew home with the breeze. Their win was built on dominance at the contests with Fletcher Carroll (24 disposals, six clearances) and Isaac Wallace (23 disposals, seven tackles) standing out, while James Cousins and Todd Marshall both kicked three goals. The Dragons were best served by Corey Lyons (32 disposals, seven clearances, one goal), but their forwards were unable to stop the rebounding ability of Murray defenders Ryan Garthwaite and Zac Sproule.

HOW THE BUSHRANGERS CAN WIN

Murray's midfield has controlled the stoppages in their two finals victories, winning the contested possession count by 30 and clearance count by eight in the Qualifying Final against Dandenong and the same categories by 43 and seven respectively last week against Oakleigh. Will Brodie, Fletcher Carroll and James Cousins have been crucial to this dominance, served by ruck combination Max Lynch and Harry Boyd. The big men will need to negate mobile Dragons ruckman Lachlan Filipovic to give their midfielders first use of the ball against a starstudded Sandringham engine room. If that happens, Murray's three-pronged tall forward attack of Lachlan Tiziani (10 finals goals), Trent McMullan (seven) and Todd Marshall has the potential to win the aerial battle against an unheralded Dragons defence, while smaller types Damon Hemphill and Charlie Spargo have also been dynamic at ground level during the finals. Even if the Bushrangers don't win the ball at the coalface, they may still have the tall defenders to foil Sandringham's forward forays. The intercept and rebound ability of Ryan Garthwaite and Zac **Sproule** has created a wall across Murray's half back line recently and a key question will be whether Dragons key forwards Hayden McLean and Isaac Morrisby can limit their influence.

HOW THE DRAGONS CAN WIN

Sandringham's ability to move the ball dangerously by linking up with handballs is one of its biggest strengths. The Dragons are no slouches at the stoppages, comfortably topping Eastern, Dandenong and Geelong in the contested possession and clearance counts in their three finals wins, but it's what they do outside the contests that's most eyecatching. Andrew McGrath. Corev Lyons and **Harrison Burt** are not only some of their team's best clearance-winners, they're also regular big contributors to Sandringham's handball-receives tally. Other hard runners do so off half back, with **Jack Scrimshaw** particularly adept at constructing play from defence along with Reuben Hayward, Darcy James and Liam Murphy. Head coach Jeremy Barnard clearly values slick ball movement highly, and if key defenders Connor Larkin, Ari Sakeson and Max Williams can out-mark Murrav's dangerous forward targets or just bring the ball to ground, the Bushrangers will need to be on their guard to stop the ball flying straight up the other end. Bottom-age talls Hayden McLean and Isaac Morrisby will need good delivery inside 50 to limit the influence of Murray interceptors Ryan Garthwaite and Zac Sproule, while classy mid-forwards Tim Taranto (six finals goals) and Oliver Florent (three) won't need many gilt-edged chances to tear the game apart.





TAC Cup News

TAC Cup Preliminary Finals review

MURRAY BUSHRANGERS 15.12 (102) d OAKLEIGH CHARGERS 8.10 (58)

The Bushrangers ended hopes of an Oakleigh three-peat of premierships with a dominant performance at IKON Park. Chargers forward Dion Johnstone kicked the first goal of the game but Murray responded with 12 of the next 14 majors, Lachlan Tiziani (six goals) helping establish a defining 30-point half-time margin with three majors in as many minutes approaching time-on in the second quarter. Fletcher Carroll was prolific throughout, while the marking ability of Todd Marshall in attack and Ryan Garthwaite in defence saw the Bushrangers take further control during a five-goal-to-one third term which effectively killed the contest. While Oakleigh outscored them in the final stanza, it was all too late as Murray became the only member of an all-Country top-four to make it through to the TAC Cup Grand Final.



SANDRINGHAM DRAGONS 10.10 (70) d GEELONG FALCONS 7.6 (48)

The Dragons continued their run to the TAC Cup Grand Final from fifth position by coming from behind to defeat the second-placed Falcons at IKON Park a week after knocking off minor premiers the Dandenong Stingrays. Geelong initially caught Sandringham napping, kicking six of the first seven goals of the game to open up a 31-point lead early in the second quarter. But despite losing play-maker Will Setterfield to injury by half time, the Dragons worked their way back into the contest with Tim Taranto (four goals) dynamic up forward, Andrew McGrath prolific in the middle and Max Williams a wall down back. The Falcons were ultimately stopped in their tracks as five unanswered final-term goals saw Sandringham overcome a 10-point deficit at the last change to prevail.



Romensky, Murphy win B&Fs

Western Jets midfielder Brodie Romensky and Northern Knights on-baller Lachlan Murphy have claimed their clubs' best-andfairest awards for 2016.

18-year-old **Romensky** averaged 24 disposals and seven tackles per game in 15 TAC Cup matches this year. The 189cm Maribyrnong Park junior is capable of playing in defence as well as the midfield and represented Vic Metro in three games at the 2016 NAB AFL U18 Championships. He claimed the Barry Round Medal from Jets co-captain **Oscar Junker** in second and 19-year-old **Daniel Foley** in third.

In other awards, **Nick Stuhldreier** was named Western's Best First-Year Player, **Connor Griffiths** took home the Most Consistent Award and **Jordyn Cotter** won the Most Courageous Award.

At Northern's presentation night, 17-year-old **Murphy** secured the Brent Harvey Best and Fairest from **Luke Bunker** in second and Knights captain **Mason Blakey** in third. Murphy, a Diamond Creek product, averaged 27 disposals and five tackles per game in 10 TAC Cup matches this year.

Some of Northern's other 2016 awards went to: **Patrick Lipinski** (Coaches Award), **Chas Roberts** (Most Improved Award) and **Nick Coffield** (Rising Star Award).

Stinear joins Melbourne

Oakleigh Chargers dual premiership coach Michael Stinear has been appointed Melbourne's inaugural AFL Women's senior coach.

The 32-year-old guided the Chargers to flag victories in his first two years as the club's head coach in 2014 and 2015. He was named the 2016 TAC Cup Coach of the Year before Oakleigh was last week knocked out of this year's finals by the Murray Bushrangers.

Stinear, who was on Carlton's rookie list in 2003-04, leaves the Chargers with an overall win-loss record of 39-22.

Stats that mattered in the Preliminary Finals

Stats Central examines which stats influenced the results of last week's Peter Jackson VFL and TAC Cup Preliminary Finals.

VFL

CASEY SCORPIONS d WILLIAMSTOWN

Casey's suffocating pressure restricted the Seagulls to their lowest score of the season (5.13) in a 42-point loss. The usual Scorpions ball-winners in the midfield were at it again, with Alex Neal-Bullen (31 disposals, 18 contested possessions), Clayton Oliver (24, 17) and Viv Michie (18 disposals) helping their team to a +31 advantage in the disposal count. But what was perhaps most impressive about their performances were their tackle numbers of eight, 17 and 13 respectively, as Casey not only found more of the ball but also laid 108 tackles to Williamstown's 98. Uncompromising VFL-listers James Munro (eight tackles) and Ed Morris (seven) joined in the pressurefest, as did big forward Tim Smith (eight tackles to go with three goals) and ruckman Jake Spencer (seven tackles)

FOOTSCRAY d COLLINGWOOD

The Bulldogs dominated most statistical areas in their 119-point win, but perhaps most striking was the ease with which they scored once inside 50. Footscray booted 27.19 – the highest score of the VFL season – from 73 inside-50s, equating to a score on the board from 63 per cent of entries and a goal kicked from 37 per cent. On the other hand, Collingwood managed rates of 34 and 19 per cent respectively. Footscray's **Ben Long** typified this efficiency with six goals and two score assists from his 17 disposals, while no less than seven of his teammates booted multiple goals. **Lukas Webb** (three goals, one score assist), **Declan Hamilton** (2.3, four), **Mitch Honeychurch** (2.3, three), **Jed Adcock** (2.1, three) and **Nick Jamieson** (1.2, four) were others to join in the feast.

TAC Cup

MURRAY BUSHRANGERS d OAKLEIGH CHARGERS

The Bushrangers again demonstrated how good they are in the contests – both on the ground and in the air – during their 44-point victory. Murray recorded 30 more contested possessions than the Dandenong Stingrays in their Qualifying Final and then 43 more than the Chargers, when Fletcher Carroll (14 contested possessions) and James Cousins (11) led a cast of 14 Bushrangers with seven or more contested possessions for the game (Oakleigh had four). Murray dominated the aerial battle too, taking 15 more contested marks than the Chargers thanks



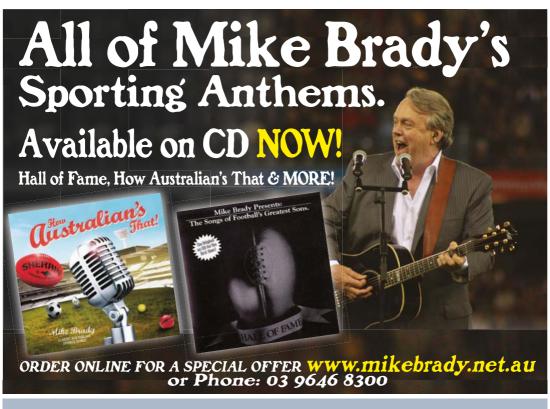
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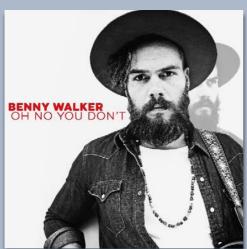


mostly to **Ryan Garthwaite** (four contested marks) in defence and **Todd Marshall** and **Lachlan Tiziani** (three each) in attack.

SANDRINGHAM DRAGONS d GEELONG FALCONS

It was again the contested side of the game that separated the Dragons from the Falcons in their 22-point win. Geelong had been one of the TAC Cup's leading midfields at the coalface during the season but lost the contested possession count by 27 to Sandringham, which was led by **Tim Taranto** (17 contested possessions, four goals) **Andrew McGrath** (32 disposals, 14 contested possessions) and **Oliver Florent** (13 contested possessions, two goals). **Taranto** (five contested marks) was also a match-winner due to his aerial ability, while big men **Hayden McLean** (three) up forward, **Lachlan Filipovic** (two) in the ruck and **Max Williams** (two) down back also imposed themselves on the contest.





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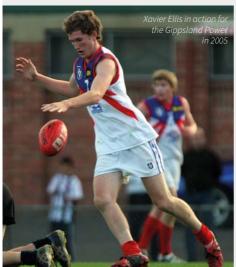
The AFL Victoria Record follows former TAC Cup and VFL players on their AFL journeys

Vics bow out of AFL

11 former TAC Cup or VFL players have so far announced their retirements from the AFL following the conclusion of their clubs' seasons.

They are:

- Ex-Sandringham Dragons key defender Ted Richards, who played 33 games for Essendon and 228 for Sydney after being selected with pick no.27 in the 2000 AFL Draft, winning a premiership and an All Australian guernsey at the Swans in 2012;
- Former Calder Cannons midfielder Dane Swan, who won a premiership (2010), a Brownlow Medal (2011), three club best-and-fairest awards (2008-10) and five All Australian selections (2009-13) in 258 games for Collingwood after being taken at pick no.58 in the 2001 AFL Draft:
- Ex-Box Hill Hawks defender Michael Firrito, who played 275 games for North Melbourne after being selected with pick no.10 in the 2002 Rookie Draft;
- Former North Ballarat Rebels defender Jed Adcock, who played 206 games for Brisbane – captaining the Lions in 2013 and 2014 – and seven for the Western Bulldogs after being taken at pick no.33 in the 2003 AFL Draft:
- Fellow ex-North Ballarat defender Troy Chaplin, who played 140 games for Port Adelaide and 75 for Richmond after being selected with pick no.15 in the 2003 AFL Draft;





- Former Bendigo Pioneers utility Andrew Walker, who played 202 games for Carlton after being taken at pick no.2 in the 2003 AFL Draft;
- Ex-Gippsland Power utility Xavier Ellis, who played 86 games for Hawthorn – including the 2008 premiership – and 34 for West Coast after being selected with pick no.3 in the 2005 AFL Draft;
- Former Gippsland ruckman Trent West, who played 54 games for Geelong – including the 2011 premiership – and 16 for Brisbane after being taken at pick no.31 in the 2005 AFL Draft;
- Ex-Murray Bushrangers key defender Alipate
 Carlile, who played 167 games for Port Adelaide
 after being selected with pick no.44 in the 2005 AFL
 Draft;
- Former Gippsland mid-forward Brent Macaffer, who played 77 games for Collingwood – including the 2010 premiership – after being taken at pick no.26 in the 2006 Rookie Draft; and
- Ex-North Ballarat Roosters key defender Michael Jamison, who played 150 games for Carlton after being selected with pick no.17 in the 2006 Rookie Draft.



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Time: 7:30pm.

Venue: Sandridge Function and Events Centre. Cost: \$150 per person (includes 3 course meal & beverages).



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By Kate Withers

Jane Steicke has worked her whole life. Growing up, she laboured through stifling summers on a stonefruit farm in Victoria's northwest to support her family's business.

Today, Jane continues to work tirelessly. For over 25 years, the retired grandmother has poured herself into helping run the Woorinen Football Netball Club in AFL Victoria's Central Murray region, and has been recognised as the 2016 State Volunteer of the Year.

"I'm very overwhelmed and it's a very big honour," Jane said.

The AFL Volunteer of the Year Program is a volunteer recognition program that commenced as part of the Australian Football 150 years celebration and rewards outstanding volunteers like Jane.

Jane's role at her beloved Tigers is as varied as it is remarkable. The canteen manager has stretched to become a chef, committee member, fund-raiser, event organiser and working-bee hand over the years, but it was her response to a recent tragedy that stood out as truly extraordinary.

In 2015, the Tigers were devastated after fire ripped through their clubrooms in Swan Hill.

"It was just devastating, I cried and cried and cried," Jane said. "We were left with nothing. Absolutely everything was gone. I didn't even have a pair of tongs." With 500 players and members reeling, Jane launched into action.

"I can't just stand back and watch people work, so I went down to the sheds and helped organise something."

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In the aftermath of the blaze, a neighbouring club offered the use of its facilities to Woorinen. Determined to restore a sense of routine for her deflated Tigers, Jane continued to cart ingredients to the refuge club for weekly dinners.

"They (the neighbouring club) were really supportive, but after a while I thought: 'This isn't good, we need to be home'."

So home the Tigers went. On Jane's instruction, two marquees were erected to take the place of the clubrooms at Woorinen. Jane began operating the canteen out of an old caravan, with every cent earned going back into the depleted club.

"I spent a lot of the summer months going to garage sales and I picked up a lot of kitchen stuff for the canteen trying to replace everything," she said.

Less than a year on, Woorinen are now back playing at home and AFL Central Murray Administrator David Alderuccio says Jane is to thank.

"Jane has been working out of the caravan to provide 150 meals a week and deliver the canteen service at home games, and has done everything in her power to ensure the club will survive," David said.

Over the years, Jane has established herself as more than just a volunteer at Woorinen and is lovingly known as the club's mother.

A stalwart in every sense of the word, Jane's generosity knows no bounds. In addition to organising and cooking weekly dinners, Jane regularly pays for players who cannot afford a meal.

"I just can't bear to see anybody go without. I do it for the love of it - it's just my community."

Jane maintains her ongoing dedication to Woorinen is nothing of note and is characteristically humble with reference to being named the 2016 State Volunteer of the Year

"I think: 'Oh gosh, there are other people out there who do more than me'." Jane said.

Full of praise, David says volunteers like Jane are the lifeblood of community football clubs.

"She treats all players and members like her family, and to see her spirit and encouragement has been so overwhelming."

Jane will join the rest of the 2016 AFL State and Territory Volunteers of the Year at Victorian Government House where she will be recognised for her work at a presentation ceremony in the lead up to 2016 Toyota AFL Grand Final week.

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MURRAY BUSHRANGERS

It is a great honour to be part of the 2016 TAC CUP Grand Final, the players have done a superb job over recent weeks

with standout performances against the Stingrays and Chargers in the first two finals. Good luck to both teams today in what will be a great showcase of what is the premier under age football competition in the Country. Special thanks to our staff, players and families for their support throughout the 2016 season. The amount of work that goes into running the Murray Bushrangers program is impossible to measure with countless hours of travel and dedication from all concerned. We hope you enjoy the day. A reminder to all families, staff and friends that we will be conducting a post Grand Final function at the Highgate Recreation Reserve Function Centre (229 Grand Boulevard, Craigieburn) after today's game. The Function will commence at approximately 4.00pm and will be a great way to celebrate what has been a great season. A reminder that the Murray Bushrangers 'John Byrne' Medal Best & Fairest Function will be held on Sunday 16 October at the Yarrawonga Mulwala Golf Club from 12.30pm. Tickets cost \$45 per person and include a two course lunch with drinks at bar prices. The Club would like to take this opportunity to thank our 2016 Sponsors. The ongoing support of the TAC, HUME BANK, YARRAWONGA MULWALA GOLF CLUB RESORT, AFL SPORTSREADY, DYSONS, DUNSTANS CONSTRUCTION GROUP, RELIANCE PARTNERS AND THALES is greatly appreciated. Please support these local businesses when the opportunity presents.



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Congratulations to all the players, families and staff of the Dragons for making it into

our first TAC Cup Grand Final since 2011. After a hard fought come from behind win against Geelong we are looking forward to another tough contest against the Murray Bushrangers. The efforts and contributions made by our staff, volunteers and families around the club is greatly appreciated and makes the Dragons program what it is. We hope to see you all at our Presentation night on the 9th of October at Sandy by the Bay where we can celebrate the season together. We would like to thank all of our sponsors once again as their assistance and support of the Dragons allow us to provide our boys the best opportunity to develop as footballers and young men. If you are able to support these businesses, please do so; Volvo Cars Brighton, Antler, Sportsmart, 360 Sports Events, Fin-Fitness, ProgressClaim.com, Melbourne Smiles Denture Clinic, Bendigo Bank - Sandringham, Clublinks, Mister Minit, Veolia, Same Page Cultures, Dineamic, RACV - Southland, Parkdale Secondary, Swinburne Secondary College and Rocksalt - Brighton, GO DRAGONS!!!









2016 J.J. Liston Trophy winner Michael Gibbons is compiling an enviable list of individual Peter Jackson VFL honours, but it's those around the Williamstown midfielder who he credits as keys to his success.

21-year-old Gibbons burst onto the football world's radar when he claimed the Norm Goss Medal as best-on-ground in Williamstown's VFL premiership victory last year.

Demonstrating that performance was no flash in the pan, the 177cm on-baller played all of Williamstown's 21 games in 2016, including his 50th senior VFL match in the Seagulls' semi-final defeat of Sandringham. He averaged 29 disposals, seven clearances and six inside-50s per game, and was the VFL's top-ranked player for total disposals, uncontested possessions and inside-50s during the home-and-away season.

Gibbons also won the Frank Johnson Medal for the VFL's best player in May's State Game against the SANFL, an occasion he described as one of his "best experiences ever" in football, having fulfilled a pre-season goal to make the Victorian team and play alongside some of the players he idolised growing up.

But like many young footballers, Gibbons' VFL journey started with the disappointment of missing out on being drafted into the AFL as an 18-year-old.

At the age of 16, he moved with his family to Albury from Coolamon, NSW (near Wagga Wagga) to play for the Murray Bushrangers in the TAC Cup. Gibbons captained the club in 2013 but his AFL dream wasn't realised later that year. As when they moved to Albury, his parents had Gibbons' football future in mind when they then pushed for him to relocate to Melbourne.

"When I was 18, I put all my eggs into one basket – getting drafted," Gibbons said at the recent VFL Best and Fairest night. "When it didn't happen, I think Mum and

Dad wanted to get rid of me so they sent me down to Melbourne.

"I don't think I had much choice in that but it's worked out pretty well."

Once Gibbons arrived in Melbourne, it didn't take long for Williamstown senior coach Andrew Collins to convince him Burbank Oval was where he wanted to be.

"I really took a liking to 'Collo' and 'Dicko' (football manager Chris Dixon) and the other boys down there," Gibbons said. "'Collo' really backed me from the start. He really wanted me, just showed complete confidence in me and he's probably the main driving point as to why I'm at Williamstown.

"(Also,) there's such a great culture down there. All the boys are there just to win a flag. Everyone's there for the right reasons and no one sulks; everyone just gets in and gets it done."

Indeed, his teammates have contributed profoundly to Gibbons' rise through the VFL.

Now-retired Seagulls vice-captain Cam Lockwood initially helped Gibbons secure work in Melbourne as a labourer while he completes his business management studies.

The departure of Adam Marcon due to being rookie-listed by Richmond last year opened up a permanent midfield opportunity for Gibbons in 2016.

And then there's his on-ball partners-in-crime: ruckman Nick Meese and fellow midfielders Willie Wheeler and Seagulls skipper Ben Jolley, a group Gibbons understatedly said "rolls pretty well" together when on sone.

Gibbons' collection of honours – J.J. Liston Trophy, Norm Goss Medal, Frank Johnson Medal and premiership medallion – is unprecedented in VFL history, but he knows his individual success wouldn't be happening without a little help from his friends.

2016 VFL Team of the Year

The top Peter Jackson VFL-listed players for 2016 were recognised with selection in the VFL Team of the Year at last week's VFL Best and Fairest night.

Let's take a look at the cream of Victoria's state-league crop this year.

DEFENDERS

Casey Scorpions captain Jack Hutchins and first-year Geelong player Tom Stewart are the pillars of the Team of the Year back line, both good intercept marks and reliable one-on-one defenders despite often giving away height. 2016 Fothergill-Round Medallist Luke Ryan made a splash in AFL recruiting circles with his composure and sure foot skills off half back since graduating from Coburg's Development League team early in the season, while Essendon defender Aaron Heppell also developed rapidly from lock-down backman to effective midfielder. Rebound specialists Jordan Kelly (Collingwood) and Footscray skipper Jordan Russell – a 2015 Team of the Year member – also earned selection.

MIDFIELDERS

Combative **Williamstown** ruckman **Nick Meese** earned a fourth Team of the Year selection following another dominant season at the stoppages and is joined in the 2016 on-ball division by prolific **Seagulls** teammates **Willie Wheeler** and 2016 J.J. Liston Trophy winner **Michael Gibbons**. Last year's Liston winner and Team of the Year member **Nick Rippon (North Ballarat)** was named on a wing after another stand-out year at the coalface for North Ballarat, while emerging **Coburg** star **Robbie Fox** is on the other wing. Reliable in-and-under **Port Melbourne** ball-winner **Tom O'Sullivan** completes the midfield crew.

FORWARDS

Dynamic 49-goal 'Frosty' Miller Medallist **Ahmed Saad (Coburg)** headlines the Team of the Year forward line alongside dangerous **Williamstown** mid-sized goalkicker **Sam Dunell**, who booted 31 majors this season to back up his 2015 Team of the Year selection. **Tim Smith** was named at centre half forward following a stellar season supporting the tall timber inside the **Casey Scorpions'** 50m arc and tackling terror **Tom Atkins** is in a forward pocket after a break-out season for **Geelong**. 2014 Team of the Year member **Ben Cavarra** added a string to his bow at **Frankston** in 2016, kicking 18 goals to complement his usual ball-winning abilities, while hard-nosed **Werribee** mid-forward **Matt Hanson** made a second consecutive Team of the Year.

INTERCHANGE

Evergreen Williamstown skipper Ben Jolley made a remarkable seventh straight Team of the Year following one of his most prolific seasons yet. Fellow club captains Tom Wilson (Northern Blues) and Sam Darley (Richmond) also earned selection on the interchange for consistent performances in the midfield and running out of defence respectively. Declan Keilty emerged as an effective lock-down key defender for the Casey Scorpions, while Port Melbourne duo Khan Haretuku – who this year seized the role as the Borough's no.1 ruckman – and 2016's competition-leading kick-getter Damian Mascitti also enjoyed stellar campaigns.









PETER JACKSON VFL TEAM



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INTERCHANGE

2016 TAC Cup Team of the Year

The top players in the TAC Cup and NAB AFL U18 Championships for 2016 were recognised with selection in the TAC Cup Team of the Year on Morrish Medal night.

Last year's TAC Cup Team of the Year featured 20 players that were later selected by clubs in the 2015 NAB AFL Draft or Rookie Draft. Let's take a look at the talented Victorian youngsters who'll be hoping to follow a similar path in 2016.

DEFENDERS

The cornerstones of the Team of the Year back line are All Australians Jack Maibaum (Eastern Ranges) and Andrew McGrath (Sandringham Dragons). 193cm Maibaum was the state's standout key defender in 2016, while McGrath elevated himself into contention as a top-10 draft pick with his performances across half back and in the midfield. Gippsland Power big man Josh Patullo impressed in roles as a key defender, key forward and ruckman this year, while Brodie Romensky (Western Jets) has the versatility to play in defence or as a bigger-bodied on-baller. Mason Blakey was a consistent performer for the Northern Knights as lock-down backman and Taylin Duman's run and class was important for the Oakleigh Chargers.

MIDFIELDERS

199cm Lachlan Filipovic (Sandringham Dragons) anchors the Team of the Year midfield as a mobile ruckman, with two All Australians alongside him in the centre – Morrish Medallist and smart, goalkicking on-baller Hugh McCluggage (North Ballarat Rebels) and tough inside midfielder Will Brodie (Murray Bushrangers). Fellow All Australian and Eastern Ranges captain Dylan Clarke is the team's centreman following a prolific season, while consistent ball-winner Willem Drew (North Ballarat Rebels) and Bendigo Pioneers skipper Joseph Atley were named on the wings.

FORWARDS

The Team of the Year forward line is packed with goalkicking talent, headed by medium-sized targets Patrick Kerr (Oakleigh Chargers), Josh Battle (Dandenong Stingrays) and Brett Blair (Geelong Falcons). 194cm Kerr and 192cm Battle shone inside 50 at the U18 Championships for Vic Metro and Vic Country respectively, while 189cm Blair finished second on the TAC Cup's goalkicking table with 35 majors. Dynamic Dandenong Stingrays small forward Sam Fowler was a regular matchwinner in 2016, while classy All Australian mid-forwards Daniel Venables (Western Jets) and Tim Taranto (Sandringham Dragons) performed well in limited games at TAC Cup level.

INTERCHANGE

Reliable ball-winners James Cousins (Murray Bushrangers) and Luke Bunker (Northern Knights) earned selection on the Team of the Year interchange, along with three Eastern Ranges teammates: forward/midfielder Josh Begley – who emerged from local football at the start of 2016 – All Australian mid-forward Callum Brown, and 200cm All Australian ruck/forward Sam Hayes. Hayes was one of only two bottom-age players selected in the Team of the Year, along with Geelong Falcons midfielder James Worpel.











Every young footballer's dream is to be drafted into the AFL. For 18-year-old Hugh McCluggage from South Warrnambool, that dream might soon become reality, as James Szabo writes.

The North Ballarat Rebels midfielder stamped himself as a star of the TAC Cup by recently winning the 2016 Morrish Medal for the competition's best and fairest player, the first awarded to a North Ballarat representative since the club's establishment in 1993.

Current and former AFL stars such as Adam Goodes, Drew Petrie, Brad Sewell, Clinton Young and Jeremy Cameron are all products of the Rebels, but none were able to win the Morrish Medal.

McCluggage's footballing journey took flight after making the move to Ballarat from his family's dairy farm over two hours away. The decision to change lifestyles in order to give himself the best opportunity to make it as a footballer has proven a sound one.

"It's (the Morrish Medal win) pretty surreal, very humbling – and I'm very privileged to be announced as the best player of such a good group of boys," McCluggage said.

"I'm very privileged to be the first player from North Ballarat who's done it."

McCluggage said winning the award was unexpected, with his main focus for the year to help his teammates at all costs.

The youngster's off-field maturity is a trait he carries with him on the field too.

McCluggage's commitment to his teammates – along with his outstanding performances – have helped him rise above his talented contempories to become arguably the best U18 player in the country.

The goalkicking on-baller polled 16 votes from just 10

TAC Cup matches, averaging 29 disposals per game and slotting an impressive 23 goals, while he also made an impact representing Vic Country in the NAB AFL U18 Championships, winning Country's Most Valuable Player award after averaging 20 disposals per game and kicking seven goals in four matches. His performances also saw him selected in the U18 All Australian team.

McCluggage's silky skills and goalkicking ability may have caught the attention of recruiters, but they aren't the only ones to have noticed him this year, with opposition players also starting to give him some extra attention.

McCluggage, however, simply approaches it as an opportunity to get better.

"I see it as a bit of a challenge, but as 'Fitzy' (North Ballarat head coach Gerard FitzGerald) says: 'If you're getting a bit of attention then it's a compliment to you;" McCluggage said.

"It's obviously hard and you've got to be accountable as well. So I see it as a challenge and it just means I've got to work harder and harder."

McCluggage's time with the NAB AFL Academy, the Vic Country squad and the Rebels in 2016 has given him a solid grounding to potentially make a big impact at the elite level.

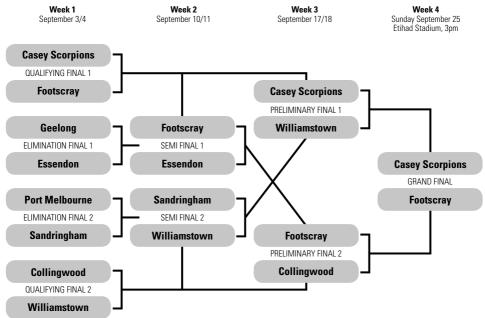
"They all work together really well (AFL Academy, Vic Country and Rebels programs), so you sort of intertwine between the three of them," McCluggage said.

"You learn different things and you take them back to North Ballarat."

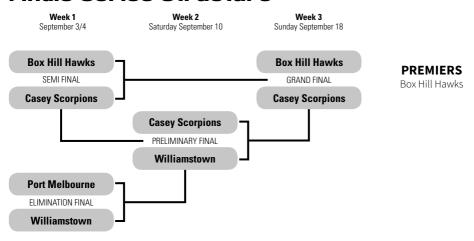
While McCluggage wasn't able to help the Rebels progress past the TAC Cup Semi Finals, his humble character, maturity and professionalism should ensure any AFL club that picks him up will know one thing for sure: He'll put the team first.



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AFL Victoria Development League Finals Series Structure



VFL Ladder

POS	TEAM	P	W	L	D	В	For	Agst	%	PTS
1	Casey Scorpions	18	14	4	0	3	1829	1090	167.80	56
2	Collingwood	18	14	4	0	3	1541	1323	116.48	56
3	Williamstown	18	13	5	0	3	1746	1201	145.38	52
4	Footscray Bulldogs	18	12	6	0	3	1558	1447	107.67	48
5	Geelong	18	11	7	0	3	1694	1232	137.50	44
6	Port Melbourne	18	11	7	0	3	1383	1329	104.06	44
7	Sandringham	18	10	8	0	3	1675	1465	114.33	40
8	Essendon	18	10	8	0	3	1603	1477	108.53	40
9	Richmond	18	9	9	0	3	1482	1343	110.35	36
10	Box Hill Hawks	18	7	11	0	3	1450	1440	100.69	28
11	Werribee	18	7	11	0	3	1430	1757	81.39	28
12	Coburg	18	6	12	0	3	1259	1557	80.86	24
13	Northern Blues	18	6	12	0	3	1347	1890	71.27	24
14	North Ballarat	18	3	15	0	3	1076	1826	58.93	12
15	Frankston	18	2	16	0	3	1131	1827	61.90	8

Development League Ladder

POS	TEAM	P	W	L	D	В	For	Agst	%	PTS
1	Box Hill Hawks	16	13	3	0	4	1804	924	195.24	52
2	Casey Scorpions	16	10	6	0	4	1396	1004	139.04	40
3	Port Melbourne	16	10	6	0	4	1263	1074	117.60	40
4	Williamstown	16	9	7	0	4	1201	1260	95.32	36
5	Coburg	16	9	7	0	4	1060	1161	91.30	36
6	Sandringham	16	8	8	0	4	1340	1309	102.37	32
7	Northern Blues	16	8	8	0	4	1094	1199	91.24	32
8	Werribee	16	4	12	0	4	1066	1498	71.16	16
9	Frankston	16	1	15	0	4	852	1647	51.73	4

2016 AFL Victoria Field Umpires — Senior Squad

1	Jamie Grindal	14	Heath Ryan
2	Robert Young	15	Tristan Burgess
3	Shane Stewart	16	Andre Gianfagna
4	Michael Curtis	17	Matthew Young
5	James Davey	18	Thomas Chrystie
6	Andrew Talbot	19	Aaron Langdon
7	Hayden Gavine	20	John Howorth
8	Daniel Butcher	21	Luke McIlroy
9	Luke Richardson	22	Peter McCaw
10	Patrick Burns	23	Andrew Heffernan
11	Jarryd Barry	24	Tim Carlos
12	Daniel Lawlor	25	Gareth Verberne
13	Tyler Hankinson	26	Leighton Rowe
			AFL umpires to wear 32-39

VFL Stats of the Week

KICKS		
Player Name	Team	Total
Lynden Dunn	Casey Scorpions	22
Adam Oxley	Collingwood	22
Mitch Honeychurch	Footscray	19
Alex Neal-Bullen	Casey Scorpions	18
Willie Wheeler	Williamstown	18
Tom Phillips	Collingwood	17
Viv Michie	Casey Scorpions	16
Lukas Webb	Footscray	16
Jordan Russell	Footscray	15
Declan Hamilton	Footscray	14
Nick Jamieson	Footscray	14
Brett Bewley	Williamstown	14
Jed Adcock	Footscray	13
Brad Lynch	Footscray	13
Bailey Williams	Footscray	13

HANDBALLS		
Player Name	Team	Total
Brent Macaffer	Collingwood	17
Koby Stevens	Footscray	15
Lukas Webb	Footscray	14
Clayton Oliver	Casey Scorpions	14
Dale Hinkley	Collingwood	13
Alex Neal-Bullen	Casey Scorpions	12
Rupert Wills	Collingwood	12
Brad Lynch	Footscray	12
Bailey Williams	Footscray	12
Jordan Collopy	Collingwood	12
Jed Adcock	Footscray	11
Michael Gibbons	Williamstown	11
Tom Campbell	Footscray	11
James Munro	Casey Scorpions	11
Roarke Smith	Footscray	11

MARKS		
Player Name	Team	Total
Lynden Dunn	Casey Scorpions	12
Tom Campbell	Footscray	9
Lukas Webb	Footscray	8
Mitch Honeychurch	Footscray	8
Tom Phillips	Collingwood	8
Joel Smith	Casey Scorpions	7
Jordan Kelly	Collingwood	7
Fletcher Roberts	Footscray	7
Jack Hutchins	Casey Scorpions	7
Jed Adcock	Footscray	6
Nick Gray	Collingwood	6
Adam Oxley	Collingwood	6
Jordan Russell	Footscray	6
Ben Long	Footscray	6
Aloysio Ferreira	Casey Scorpions	6

TACKLES Player Name	Team	Total
Clayton Oliver	Casey Scorpions	17
Viv Michie	Casey Scorpions	13
Rupert Wills	Collingwood	12
Nick Meese	Williamstown	11
Ed Carr	Williamstown	11
Sean Hetherington	Williamstown	9
Timothy Smith	Casey Scorpions	8
Alex Neal-Bullen	Casey Scorpions	8
James Munro	Casey Scorpions	8
Michael Gibbons	Williamstown	8
Jake Spencer	Casey Scorpions	7
Jordan Kelly	Collingwood	7
Liam Nash	Footscray	7
Edward Morris	Casey Scorpions	7
Matt Jones	Casey Scorpions	6

2016 VFL LEADING GOALKICKERS					
SENIORS					
Player Name	Team	Goals	Total		
Ahmed Saad	Coburg	DNP	49		
Cameron Shenton	Sandringham	DNP	42		
Sam Dunell	Williamstown	1	37		
Dylan Conway	Williamstown	-	35		
Ayce Cordy	Williamstown	-	35		
Timothy Smith	Casey Scorpions	3	28		
Liam Hulett	Casey Scorpions	Dev.	28		
Liam McBean	Richmond	DNP	26		
Trent Dennis-Lane	Sandringham	DNP	26		
Nathan Gardiner	Frankston	DNP	25		

DEVELOPMENT LEAGUE						
Player Name	Team	Goals	Total			
Jake Summers	Box Hill Hawks	2	30			
Hudson Thomas	Frankston	DNP	27			
James Freeman	Casey Scorpions	1	25			
Thomas Baker	Casey Scorpions	-	24			
Lachlan Langford	Box Hill Hawks	2	24			
Nicholas Ebinger	Williamstown	DNP	23			
Billy Hogan	Port Melbourne	DNP	22			
Julian Dobosz	Sandringham	DNP	22			
Thomas Condon	Williamstown	DNP	21			
Matthew Traynor	Box Hill Hawks	5	21			

VFL Results

PRELIMINARY FINALS

Collingwood	2.4-16	5.6-36	8.6-54	9.8-62
Footscray Bulldogs	5.6-36	11.11-77	17.13-115	27.19-181

Collingwood

Goal Kickers: L. Howe 2, J. Collopy, T. Phillips, G. Borthwick, J. Hellier, C. Gault, A. Oxley, B. Crocker Best Players: B. Macaffer, M. Williams, L. Howe, J. Collopy, A. Oxley, D. Hinkley

Footscray Bulldogs

Goal Kickers: B. Long 6, L. Webb 3, D. Hamilton 2, W. Hayes 2, J. Adcock 2, M. Hannan 2, M. Honeychurch 2, B. Dale 2, A. Greenwood, T. Campbell, J. Wallis, A. Tashevski-Beckwith, N. Jamieson, W. Minson

Best Players: L. Webb, K. Stevens, B. Long, M. Honeychurch, T. Campbell, N. Jamieson

Casey Scorpions	4.6-30	8.7-55	11.11-77	12.13-85
Williamstown	0.2-2	2.8-20	4.10-34	5.13-43

Casey Scorpions

Goal Kickers: T. Smith 3, O. McInerney 2, D. Keilty 2, C. Oliver, E. Morris, L. Dunn, A. Scott, M. Jones Best Players: C. Oliver, L. Dunn, A. Neal-Bullen, J. Smith, T. Smith. J. Hutchins

Williamstown

Goal Kickers: S. Dunell, B. Jolley, L. Schultz, E. Carr, N. Meese Best Players: W. Wheeler, D. Fahey, B. Bese, E. Carr, J. Greiser, C. Hislop

Development League Results

GRAND FINAL

Box Hill Hawks	7.3-45	14.7-91	21.11-137	26.16-172
Casey Scorpions	1.2-8	4.4-28	5.5-35	10.7-67

Box Hill Hawks

Goal Kickers: A. Brolic 6, M. Traynor 5, L. Langford 2, J. Summers 2, S. Switkowski 2, X. Dimasi, S. Gibson, C. Glass, J. Fisher, B. McIntyre, J. Walker, T. Gordon, L. Kidd, A. Kennedy Best Players: W. Murphy, A. Brolic, M. Traynor, N. Evans, S. Switkowski, M. O'Donnell

Casey Scorpions

Goal Kickers: M. King 2, K. Wilson, L. Hulett, J. Freeman, M. Cox, B. Hillard, J. Anderson, T. Wyatt, T. Vander Haar Best Players: J. Moncrieff, B. Rutherford, B. Fritsch, M. Cox, K. Wilson, J. Di Pasquale





Senior Fixture

Round 1

Saturday April 9

Essendon 12.12-84 def by Werribee 16.6-102

Box Hill Hawks 18.10-118 def Sandringham 12.9-81

Coburg 11.9-75 def by North Ballarat 12.9-81

Casey Scorpions 27.17-179 def Frankston 5.5-35

Sunday April 10

Footscray Bulldogs 15.14-104 def Northern Blues 8.7-55

Port Melbourne 10.13-73 def by Collingwood 14.13-97

Williamstown 16.13-109 def Richmond 9.10-64

BYE Geelong

Round 2

Friday April 15

Geelong 14.6-90 def by Northern Blues 16.8-104

Essendon 18.16-124 def North Ballarat 5.9-39

Saturday April 16

Richmond 17.10-112 def Footscray Bulldogs 7.18-60

Port Melbourne 12.12-84 def Coburg 11.8-74

Sunday April 17

Williamstown 14.13-97 def by Box Hill Hawks 17.10-112

Collingwood 10.5-65 def by Casey Scorpions 18.13-121

Frankston 10.3-63 def by Werribee 15.11-101

BYE Sandringham

Round 3

Friday April 22

North Ballarat 5.7-37 def by **Geelong 16.15-111**

Saturday April 23

Frankston 14.15-99 def Richmond 13.8-86

Coburg 11.12-78 def by **Box Hill Hawks 13.8-86**Northern Blues 8.8-56 def by **Port Melbourne 10.15-75**

Sandringham 18.9-117 def Footscray Bulldogs 12.17-89

Casey Scorpions 11.4-70 def by Williamstown 17.12-114

Sunday April 24

Collingwood 7.6-48 def by Essendon 20.13-133

BYE Werribee

Round 4

Saturday April 30

Footscray Bulldogs 12.13-85 def by Werribee 19.13-127

Northern Blues 13.13-91 def by ${\bf Collingwood\ 14.16-100}$

Richmond 7.12-54 def by Sandringham 16.15-111

Sunday May 1

Williamstown 8.4-52 def Port Melbourne 5.15-45

Essendon 7.12-54 def by Casey Scorpions 10.11-71

Geelong 15.12-102 def Coburg 10.7-67

Box Hill Hawks 14.14-98 def Frankston 5.9-39

BYE North Ballarat

Round 5

Saturday May 7

Essendon 16.9-105 def Geelong 12.12-84

Port Melbourne 13.16-94 def Richmond 8.3-51

Collingwood 7.5-47 def by Sandringham 16.18-114

Werribee 9.9-63 def by Williamstown 20.17-137

Sunday May 8

Footscray Bulldogs 20.21-141 def North Ballarat 5.6-36

Casey Scorpions 19.11-125 def Northern Blues 2.6-18

Frankston 8.13-61 def Coburg 7.14-56

BYE Box Hill Hawks

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Round 6

Saturday May 14

Geelong 6.8-44 def by Collingwood 8.16-64

Williamstown 25.22-172 def Northern Blues 3.11-29

Port Melbourne 8.10-58 def by Footscray Bulldogs 11.11-77

Sandringham 16.6-102 def by Casey Scorpions 19.19-133

Richmond 21.16-142 def North Ballarat 10.3-63

Sunday May 15

Werribee 10.10-70 def Box Hill Hawks 9.14-68

Coburg 16.7-103 def Essendon 11.6-72

BYE Frankston

Round 7

Saturday May 21

Collingwood 13.8-86 def Williamstown 12.9-81

Casey Scorpions 12.11-83 def Box Hill Hawks 11.10-76

North Ballarat 14.4-88 def by Port Melbourne 15.7-97

Sunday May 22

Frankston 10.8-68 def by Geelong 16.9-105

Essendon 12.9-81 def by Footscray Bulldogs 15.10-100

Northern Blues 16.10-106 def Coburg 14.11-95

Sandringham 17.18-120 def Werribee 12.11-83

BYE Richmond

Round 8

Saturday May 28

Richmond 5.14-44 def by Essendon 9.13-67

BYE all teams (aside from Richmond and Essendon)

Sunday May 29

SANFL 16.10 -106 def VFL 13.9-87

Round 9

Saturday June 4

Werribee 9.5-59 def by Collingwood 13.10-88

Sunday June 5
Footscray Bulldogs 7.14-56 def by **Williamstown 19.14-128**

Coburg 9.10-64 def Richmond 3.13-31

Geelong 15.9-99 def by Sandringham 15.11-101

Box Hill Hawks 12.18-90 def North Ballarat 9.9-63

Casey Scorpions 12.14-86 def Port Melbourne 7.9-51

Northern Blues 15.15-105 def Frankston 9.11-65

BYE Essendon

Round 10

Saturday June 11

Footscray Bulldogs 9.13-67 def Geelong 8.12-60

North Ballarat 7.20-62 def by **Coburg 14.8-92**

Box Hill Hawks 10.7-67 def by Northern Blues 15.13-103

Williamstown 10.17-77 def Frankston 6.11-47

Casey Scorpions 2.7-19 def by **Collingwood 8.11-59** Sunday June 12

Sandringham 15.13-103 def Essendon 9.21-75

Richmond 11.15-81 def Werribee 6.14-50

BYE Port Melbourne

Round 11

Saturday June 18

North Ballarat 7.2-44 def by Casey Scorpions 19.21-135

Coburg 11.11-77 def by Port Melbourne 16.12-108

Werribee 13.15-93 def by Essendon 16.10-106

Sunday June 19

Frankston 13.3-81 def by **Footscray Bulldogs 13.13-91**

Geelong 18.10-118 def Box Hill Hawks 10.9-69

BYE Collingwood, Northern Blues, Richmond, Sandringham, Williamstown

Round 12

Saturday June 25

Werribee 9.5-59 def by **Coburg 9.19-73**

Frankston 10.8-68 def by North Ballarat 11.9-75

Port Melbourne 10.11-71 def Box Hill Hawks 7.13-55 Northern Blues 9.8-62 def by Sandringham 13.24-102

Sunday June 26

Williamstown 5.17-47 def by Geelong 10.3-63

Collingwood 14.12-96 def Richmond 10.10-70

BYE Casey Scorpions, Essendon, Footscray

Saturday July 2

Coburg 13.7-85 def Footscray Bulldogs 9.19-73

Essendon 10.13-73 def by Port Melbourne 12.8-80

Collingwood 15.9-99 def Northern Blues 13.8-86

Sunday July 3

Williamstown 14.19-103 def North Ballarat 11.9-75

Sandringham 16.20-116 def Frankston 9.2-56

Richmond 11.10-76 def by Casey Scorpions 11.12-78

BYE Box Hill Hawks, Geelong, Werribee

Round 14

Saturday July 9

Box Hill Hawks 12.8-80 def by Williamstown 13.12-90

Coburg 5.6-36 def by Sandringham 12.13-85

Northern Blues 8.11-59 def by Geelong 19.11-125 Footscray Bulldogs 11.8-74 def Richmond 9.11-65

Sunday July 10

Port Melbourne 9.20-74 def Werribee 10.7-67

North Ballarat 2.7-19 def by Collingwood 13.12-90

Frankston 12.12-84 def by Essendon 16.11-107

BYE Casey Scorpions

Round 15

Saturday July 16

Essendon 15.5-95 def Box Hill Hawks 13.14-92

Geelong 25.16-166 def Werribee 8.7-55

North Ballarat 11.15-81 def by Northern Blues 17.10-112

Sunday July 17

Footscray Bulldogs 12.12-84 def Casey Scorpions 13.5-83

Williamstown 11.19-85 def Coburg 7.5-47

Frankston 12.5-77 def by Collingwood 22.11-143

Sandringham 9.6-60 def by Port Melbourne 11.16-82

BYE Richmond

Round 16

Saturday July 23

Werribee 10.11-71 def North Ballarat 8.12-60

Port Melbourne 10.3-63 def by Williamstown 14.12-96

Sunday July 24

Casey Scorpions 12.20-92 def Sandringham 7.4-46

Richmond 13.7-85 def Box Hill Hawks 10.9-69

Geelong 15.22-112 def Essendon 5.4-34

Northern Blues 11.11-77 def Footscray Bulldogs 10.11-71

BYE Coburg, Collingwood, Frankston

Round 17

Saturday July 30

Richmond 11.15-81 def Frankston 7.8-50

Collingwood 13.14-92 def Geelong 5.12-42

Footscray Bulldogs 10.13-73 def Box Hill Hawks 10.8-68

Port Melbourne 12.20-92 def North Ballarat 13.1-79

Coburg 6.2-38 def by Casey Scorpions 16.20-116

Sunday July 31

Werribee 25.15-165 def Northern Blues 15.12-102

Sandringham 6.22-58 def by Williamstown 11.16-82

BYE Essendon

Round 18

Saturday August 6

Geelong 23.8-146 def Frankston 7.3-45

North Ballarat 11.8-74 def by Sandringham 19.13-127

Collingwood 19.18-132 def Coburg 10.4-64

Northern Blues 13.3-81 def by Richmond 19.11-125

Casey Scorpions 20.9-129 def Essendon 6.7-43

Sunday August 7

Box Hill Hawks 13.20-98 def Werribee 9.7-61

Williamstown 11.11-77 def by Footscray Bulldogs 12.9-81

BYE Port Melbourne

Round 19

Saturday August 13

Collingwood 12.12-84 def Port Melbourne 10.8-68

Coburg 13.13-91 def Frankston 11.13-79

Sunday August 14

Essendon 18.11-119 def Williamstown 15.11-101

Casev Scorpions 21.25-151 def Werribee 7.4-46

Sandringham 9.15-69 def by Box Hill Hawks 13.13-91

Richmond 11.16-82 def Geelong 6.9-45

BYE Footscray, North Ballarat, Northern Blues

Round 20

Saturday August 20

Box Hill Hawks 7.15-57 def by Collingwood 12.6-78

Northern Blues 6.7-43 def by Williamstown 13.20-98

North Ballarat 3.16-34 def by Essendon 15.10-100

Sunday August 21

Geelong 13.5-83 def Casey Scorpions 10.12-72

Werribee 9.10-64 def by Footscray Bulldogs 18.19-127

Frankston 8.10-58 def by Port Melbourne 16.8-104 Sandringham 12.17-89 def by Richmond 14.14-98

Round 21

Saturday August 27

Essendon 19.17-131 def Northern Blues 8.10-58

Richmond 20.15-135 def Coburg 6.8-44

Footscray Bulldogs 16.9-105 def Collingwood 10.13-73

North Ballarat 8.18-66 def Frankston 8.8-56

Box Hill Hawks 8.8-56 def by Casey Scorpions 11.20-86

Sunday August 28

Port Melbourne 9.10-64 def by Geelong 15.9-99

Werribee 14.10-94 def Sandringham 10.14-74

BYE Williamstown

Week 1 Finals

Saturday 3rd September 1ST QUALIFYING FINAL

Casey Scorpions 20.8-128 def Footscray Bulldogs 8.10-58

2ND QUALIFYING FINAL

Collingwood 16.6-102 def Williamstown 7.14-56

1ST ELIMINATION FINAL

Geelong 17.8-110 def by Essendon 21.6-132

Sunday 4th September

2ND ELIMINATION FINAL

Port Melbourne 15.10-100 def by Sandringham 22.13-145

Week 2 Finals

Saturday 10th September

Williamstown 14.11-95 def Sandringham 7.7-49

Sunday 11th September

Footscray Bulldogs 13.16-94 def Essendon 10.15-75

Week 3 Finals

Saturday 17th September

Collingwood 9.8-62 def by Footscray Bulldogs 27.19-181

Sunday 18th September

Casey Scorpions 12.13-85 def Williamstown 5.13-43

3pm







Development League Fixture

Box Hill Hawks 13.13-91 def by Sandringham 15.8-98

Casey Scorpions 14.12-96 def Frankston 7.8-50

Sunday April 10

Port Melbourne 10.6-66 def by Werribee 17.9-111

Round 2

Port Melbourne 4.8-32 def by Coburg 15.6-96

Casey Scorpions 11.17-83 def by Northern Blues 18.10-118

Frankston 2.7-19 def by Werribee 20.18-138

Williamstown 7.9-51 def by Box Hill Hawks 10.17-77

Round 3

Saturday April 23

Coburg 11.11-77 def by Box Hill Hawks 15.13-103

Northern Blues 15.12-102 def Port Melbourne 6.7-43

Casey Scorpions 10.9-69 def by Williamstown 16.8-104

Round 4

Saturday April 30

Northern Blues 8.11-59 def by Coburg 17.14-116

Sunday May 1

Williamstown 6.8-44 def Port Melbourne 6.7-43

Box Hill Hawks 17.16-118 def Frankston 6.3-39

Sandringham 9.10-64 def by Werribee 17.5-107

Round 5

Port Melbourne 13.10-88 def Sandringham 10.10-70

Werribee 15.9-99 def Williamstown 13.11-89

Casey Scorpions 17.14-116 def Northern Blues 3.6-24 Frankston 8 12-60 def by Coburg 8.16-64

aturday May 14

Williamstown 9.10-64 def Northern Blues 7.15-57

Sandringham 15.12-102 def Casey Scorpions 7.12-54

Sunday May 15

Werribee 10.5-65 def by Box Hill Hawks 18.8-116

Saturday May 21

Casey Scorpions 10.5-65 def by Box Hill Hawks 11.11-77

Sunday May 22

Northern Blues 10.13-73 def by Coburg 12.7-79

Sandringham 13.18-96 def Williamstown 8.15-63 Frankston 8.10-58 def by Port Melbourne 14.11-95

Saturday June 4

Werribee 12.12-84 def by Williamstown 15.8-98

Coburg 10.10-70 def Sandringham 8.14-62

Sunday June 5

Casey Scorpions 14.11-95 def by Port Melbourne 18.8-116

Northern Blues 10.7-67 def Frankston 8.9-57

Round 10

Box Hill Hawks 10.9-69 def by Northern Blues 11.16-82

Williamstown 15.11-101 def Frankston 6.11-47

Sandringham 10.17-77 def Werribee 10.4-64

Round 11

Saturday June 18

Frankston 6.6-42 def by Box Hill Hawks 25.14-164

Coburg 8.8-56 def Port Melbourne 5.20-50

Werribee 5.10-40 def by Casey Scorpions 12.14-86

Round 12

Saturday June 25

Werribee 10.12-72 def by Coburg 12.13-85

Port Melbourne 10.15-75 def Box Hill Hawks 6.5-41

Northern Blues 13.5-83 def Sandringham 10.10-70

Frankston 9.17-71 def by Williamstown 15.9-99

Coburg 7.14-56 def by Casey Scorpions 12.10-82

Box Hill Hawks 16.10-106 def Northern Blues 11.3-69

Sandringham 24.18-162 def Frankston 9.7-61

Coburg 9.11-65 def Sandringham 6.13-49

Box Hill Hawks 28.11-179 def Williamstown 7.7-49

Frankston 15.10-100 def Northern Blues 6.9-45

Port Melbourne 11.9-75 def Werribee 5.8-38

Sunday July 17

Casey Scorpions 16.14-110 def Werribee 6.4-40

Williamstown 8.17-65 def Coburg 7.6-48

Frankston 6.8-44 def by Box Hill Hawks 14.12-96

Sandringham 12.20-92 def Port Melbourne 8.13-61

Werribee 2.5-17 def by **Box Hill Hawks 18.16-124** Port Melbourne 8.10-58 def Williamstown 8.8-56

Sunday July 24

Northern Blues 7.15-57 def Coburg 4.6-30

Casey Scorpions 15.11-101 def Sandringham 8.5-53

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Port Melbourne 16.11-107 def Frankston 6.9-45

Coburg 6.9-45 def by Casey Scorpions 12.22-94

Sandringham 17.14-116 def Williamstown 7.13-55

Werribee 9.7-61 def by Northern Blues 9.13-67

Round 18

Northern Blues 4.8-32 def by Casey Scorpions 11.9-75

Box Hill Hawks 28.17-185 def Werribee 4.3-27

Williamstown 18.16-124 def Coburg 5.10-40

Saturday August 13

Port Melbourne 16.10-106 def Williamstown 8.13-61

Coburg 13.7-85 def Frankston 7.10-52

Casey Scorpions 19.15-129 def Werribee 2.4-16

Sandringham 10.10-70 def by Box Hill Hawks 28.10-178

Round 20

Saturday August 20

Northern Blues 10.10-70 def by Williamstown 10.18-78 Sandringham 7.9-51 def by Casey Scorpions 12.9-81

Sunday August 21

Frankston 8.7-55 def by Port Melbourne 19.7-121

Round 21

Saturday August 27

Box Hill Hawks 11.14-80 def Casev Scorpions 9.6-60

Werribee 13.9-87 def by Sandringham 15.18-108

Northern Blues 12, 17-89 def Frankston 7 10-52

Port Melbourne 19.13-127 def Coburg 8.6-54

Week 1 Finals

Saturday 3rd September

SEMI FINAL

Box Hill Hawks 21.12-138 def Casey Scorpions 7.4-46

Sunday 4th September

ELIMINATION FINAL Port Melbourne 9.11-65 def by Williamstown 18.16-124

Week 2 Finals

Saturday 10th September

Casey Scorpions 16.9-105 def Williamstown 14.15-99

Sunday 18th September

Box Hill Hawks 26.16-172 def Casey Scorpions 10.7-67

Casey Scorpions player profiles

1. JACK HUTCHINS

Second year at Casey and first year as Captain. Has played in a defensive role most of the year and has become a very good leader.



24. JORDAN MONCRIEFF

Has developed in a defensive role this year and still continues to show improvement on a weekly basis.



5. PAUL PATTISON

Small defender with a big heart, Paul plays clean and hard.



25. OSCAR MCINERNEY

A competitive player who has developed a huge work ethic backed up with great ruck craft. This has no doubt brought AFL interest along with it.



6. JAMES MUNRO

James is in our leadership group and continues to drive standards every week. Fantastic clubman and one of Casey's most combative players.



27. ANGUS SCOTT

Casey's most improved player. Clever small forward who does a lot for the team that does not go unnoticed.



11. KODY WILSON

Second year in the program, a very tough contested player. Has played a huge part in the success of Casey this year.



32. JAXON BRIGGS

First-year player from Sandringham Dragons who has great speed with the ability to play in all areas on the ground. Has had a great impact at VFI level.



15. DECLAN KEILTY

Much improved second-year player. Has been able to play multiple roles over the year which continues to attract attention from AFL clubs.



35. ALOYSIO FERREIRA

First-year player from Gippsland Power who shows great ball-winning ability with good decisions.



17. EDWARD MORRIS

Very important role player for the club, continues to drive the club's trademarks and values.



47. DYLAN COLLIS

Hard-as-nails player who competes at all costs. Can play different roles and has gathered a lot of respect for the way he plays his football.



20. TIMOTHY SMITH

Heartbeat of the team. Tim continues to develop into one of the league's key forwards. His competiveness sets the tone on a weekly basis.



49. SAM WEIDEMAN

Developing key forward who is going to relish the VFL finals to build his AFL status. Shows great courage in the air and has the ability to mark when needed



50. COLIN GARLAND

Experienced AFL key defender who is still driving standards not only for himself but for the development of everyone at the club.



63. VIV MICHIE

Elite decision-maker with a composed skill set to finish. Has been a very reliable player for our club.



51. CLAYTON OLIVER

Exciting inside mid who looks to be a star in the making, has an uncanny ability to win the contested ball with a clean finish.



68. MATT JONES

Elite outside runner with a skill set to match. Can really challenge opposition defences with his speed and high-intensity running.



54. JACK TRENGOVE

Shows great leadership, he continues to drive AFL standards within the club. Has been the good story of the year after such a long lay-off.



69. BEN KENNEDY

Small forward/inside mid who has a hard-as-nails approach to his football. Very good overhead which makes him a hard player to match up on.



55. LIAM HULETT

Talented key forward who has developed strongly throughout the year. Has a very high work rate.



70. BEN NEWTON

Left-footer who can break lines and has a clean finish that makes him a very valuable asset to the side.



58. MITCH WHITE

Has become a very important and reliable player for the footy club. Shows courage and commitment on a weekly basis.



72. ALEX NEAL-BULLEN

A tough inside mid with a very high work rate, VFL finals are going to help him develop to the next level.



59. JAKE SPENCER

Key ruckman who challenges the opposition every week. Has a very combative style about him and drives effort through his actions.



79. JOEL SMITH

An athletic player who has speed to match, Joel is another for whom the VFL finals are going to help develop him to the next level



60. CHRISTIAN SALEM

A clear talent in the making and one of the team's best decision-makers. Has an elite kick that can hurt any opposition.



80. JACK GRIMES

A fantastic leader with a fantastic attitude. Has been in great form this year and has been a stand-out in building the success within the club this year.



62. DEAN TERLICH

Defender-cum-forward this year who has had a real impact up forward. He definitely makes opposition sides nervous with his forward pressure.



81. LYNDEN DUNN

A key defender with plenty of experience to share. Holds and drives our club values which has created a great environment for developing a winning culture.





Casey Scorpions





Coach: Justin Plapp

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

*AFL Primary Listed Player #AFL Rookie Listed Player

No.	NAME	DoB	HT	WT	PREVIOUS CLUB	G	В
1	Jack Hutchins (C)	03-Feb-94	176	76	Haileybury/Sandringham U18/Gold Coast (AFL)		
5	Paul Pattison	10-Mar-95	179	76	Korumburra-Bena/Gippsland U18		
6	James Munro	22-Nov-94	184	84	Beaconsfield/Sandringham U18/Sandringham (VFL)		
11	Kody Wilson	20-Feb-92	192	95	Neerim South		
15	Declan Keilty	08-May-95	194	88	Moe/Gippsland U18		
17	Edward Morris	20-Aug-95	180	74	Garfield/Gippsland U18		
20	Timothy Smith	20-Feb-91	192	88	Upper Ferntree Gully		
24	Jordan Moncrieff	24-Jul-92	197	92	Haileybury College/Dandenong U18/Mt Eliza		
25	Oscar McInerney	10-Jul-94	203	100	Montrose		
27	Angus Scott	18-Jun-95	176	72	Edithvale-Aspendale/Dandenong U18		
32	Jaxon Briggs	05-Dec-97	176	68	Sandringham U18		
35	Aloysio Ferreira	11-Mar-96	177	84	Gippsland U18		
47	Dylan Collis	23-Oct-93	176	74	Garfield		
49	Sam Weideman *	26-Jun-97	196	91	Vermont/Xavier College/Eastern U18		
50	Colin Garland *	28-Apr-88	191	92	North Hobart/Tasmania U18/Tasmania (VFL)		
51	Clayton Oliver *	22-Jul-97	187	86	Mooroopna/Bendigo U18/Murray U18		
54	Jack Trengove *	02-Sep-91	185	86	Sturt (SA)		
55	Liam Hulett *	17-Mar-97	194	90	Bonbeach/Dandenong U18		
58	Mitch White #	10-Apr-96	188	88	Seaford/St Peter's College/Dandenong U18		
59	Jake Spencer *	09-Oct-89	203	108	Redland (Qld)/Cairns (Qld)		
60	Christian Salem *	15-Jul-95	183	82	Hampton Rovers/Sandringham U18		
62	Dean Terlich *	13-Dec-89	186	97	Osborne (NSW)/Murray U18/Sydney (AFL)/N.Adelaide		
63	Viv Michie #	23-Feb-92	185	83	Fitzroy Juniors/Oakleigh U18/Fremantle (AFL)		
68	Matt Jones *	18-Oct-87	188	81	South Croydon/Labrador (Qld)/Box Hill Hawks (VFL)		
69	Ben Kennedy *	03-Mar-94	175	76	Brighton District (SA)/Glenelg (SA)/Collingwood (AFL)		
70	Ben Newton *	08-Aug-92	183	85	South Fremantle (WAFL)/Port Adelaide (AFL)		
72	Alex Neal-Bullen *	09-Jan-96	182	76	Glenelg (SANFL)		
79	Joel Smith#	25-Feb-96	190	85	Maribyrnong Park		
80	Jack Grimes *	11-May-89	187	84	Hurstbridge/Northern U18		
81	Lynden Dunn *	14-May-87	192	99	Moonee Valley/Calder U18		

MATCH UMPIRES: Field umpire: Hayden Gavine Field umpire: Daniel Butcher Field umpire: Heath Ryan Emg field umpire: James Davey Emg goal umpire: Chris Doyle

Footscray





Coach: Ashley Hansen

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

*AFL Primary Listed Player #AFL Rookie Listed Player

No.	NAME	DoB	HT	WT	PREVIOUS CLUB G B
15	Tom Campbell *	02-Nov-91	200	106	Wesley/Sandringham U18/Old Scotch/Bendigo (VFL)
18	Fletcher Roberts *	03-Jun-93	196	90	Murrumbeena/Melb. Grammar/Sandringham U18
19	Lukas Webb *	04-Mar-96	187	85	Lakes Entrance/Caulfield Grammar/Gippsland U18
22	Mitch Honeychurch *	02-Mar-95	176	71	Vermont/Eastern U18
25	Koby Stevens *	18-Jun-91	189	88	Lucknow/Gippsland U18/West Coast (AFL)
26	Declan Hamilton *	18-Mar-96	182	75	Gaza (SA)/Port Adelaide (SANFL)
27	Will Minson *	11-Apr-85	199	108	St Andrews Primary School (SA)/Norwood (SANFL)
31	Bailey Dale *	22-Jul-96	183	79	Edithvale-Aspendale/Dandenong U18
34	Bailey Williams *	10-Oct-97	187	82	Brighton District Old Scholars (SA)/Glenelg (SANFL)
36	Brad Lynch#	11-Jul-97	187	76	Mandurah (WA)/Swan Districts (WAFL)
37	Roarke Smith #	11-Sep-96	182	80	Sunbury/Valder U18
44	Jed Adcock#	15-Nov-85	183	84	Maryborough/North Ballarat U18/Brisbane (AFL)
46	Lin Jong *	04-Jun-93	188	88	Mulgrave/Oakleigh U18
51	Lauchlan Dalgleish	22-Jun-93	185	82	Essendon (AFL)/Essendon (VFL)
53	Josh Grabowski	14-Mar-91	178	78	Geelong U18/Avondale Heights
54	Nick Jamieson	03-May-92	182	80	Old Scotch
55	Alex Greenwood	24-Oct-93	178	78	Western Bulldogs (AFL)
56	Will Hayes	05-Jun-95	181	80	Melbourne Grammar/Sandringham U18
57	Jordan Staley	14-Jul-93	195	94	St Kilda (AFL)/North Ballarat (VFL)
60	Andrew Tashevski-Beckwith	18-May-97	185	87	Melbourne Grammar/Sandringham U18
61	Liam Nash	02-Dec-95	188	84	Gippsland U18/Airport West
62	Bradley Olsson	26-Nov-96	190	87	Gippsland U18
64	James Hayes	05-Jun-95	182	80	Melbourne Grammar/Euroa
65	Jordan Russell (C)	06-Nov-86	188	86	Carlton (AFL)/Collingwood (AFL)
66	Mitch Hannan	09-Mar-94	189	84	St Bernard's
67	Joshua Wallis	01-Nov-96	186	84	St Bernard's/Calder U18/St Kevin's OB
68	Anthony Barry	23-Sep-86	186	84	Frankston YCW
69	Benjamin Long	21-Aug-97	185	71	Melbourne Grammar
71	Dale Hoghton	14-Oct-91	186	80	Williamstown/Leongatha
72	Gabriel Hamilton	02-Nov-93	181	86	Trinity Grammar/Old Trinity

Boundary umpire: Ben MacDonald **Boundary umpire:** Nick Laurence

Boundary umpire: Patrick Dineen **Boundary umpire:** Damien Main

Goal umpire: Dylan Benwell
Goal umpire: Matthew Maclure

Footscray player profiles

15. TOM CAMPBELL

Big-bodied ruckman who can take a strong mark and kick goals. Has averaged 23 hit outs in six VFL games this year.



31. BAILEY DALE

Has been one of Footscray's best throughout the second half of the year up forward. Good agility and supreme goal nous.



18. FLETCHER ROBERTS

Versatile tall defender who rebounds well, has spent much of the year at AFI level.



34. BAILEY WILLIAMS

Drafted as a utility but has spent time off half-back in 2016. Elite agility and makes excellent decisions.



19. LUKAS WEBB

Previously playing off half back, the left-footer has made a move into the midfield and forward, one of Footscray's best in latter stages of the year.



36. BRAD LYNCH

Raw rebounding defender who is a good decision-maker and has excellent foot skills on both sides of the body.



22. MITCH HONEYCHURCH

Fiercely competitive midfielder/ forward who wins plenty of contested ball and also proficient on the outside.



37. ROARKE SMITH

Athletic defender who has pace and an impressive left foot. Proven ability to play above his height.



25. KOBY STEVENS

Hard at the contest and strong overhead, Stevens is a mature-bodied midfielder who brings run, spread and power.



44. JED ADCOCK

Brings experience with over 200 AFL games. Has an ability to play in all three areas of the ground, with a fearless approach to the contest.



26. DECLAN HAMILTON

Recruited to the Bulldogs as a half-back/wing, Hamilton has spent more time forward in 2016. Has polish around goal and slick ball use.



46. LIN JONG

A fearless competitor who has spent much of the season in the AFL side. Hard around the contest and puts pressure on opposition sides.



27. WILL MINSON

AFL ruckman who can be dominant in the ruck and strong up forward. Experience is valuable in a young side.



51. LAUCHLAN DALGLEISH

Dashing defender/wingman with elite speed and an accurate left foot. Represented Victoria early this year.



53. JOSHUA GRABOWSKI

Creative small forward with goal sense and pace to apply pressure in forward half.



64. JD HAYES

Tidy midfielder with clean foot skills. Has good speed and strong endurance.



54. NICK JAMIESON

Neat by hand and foot, accomplished ball-winner that provides good depth to the Footscray midfield. Plays a hard-running, link-up role.



65. JORDAN RUSSELL

After 125 AFL games under his belt, the Footscray captain and experienced defender brings class and leadership to this a young Footscray side.



55. ALEX GREENWOOD

Clearance specialist with clean hands and a neat left foot. Was a member of Footscray's 2014 VFL premiership side.



66. MITCH HANNAN

Classy wingman, Hannan is strong overhead and damaging by foot.



56. WILL HAYES

A member of Footscray's 2014 VFL premiership side as a 19-year-old, Hayes is clean by hand and foot with great game sense.



67. JOSHUA WALLIS

Younger brother of Bulldog Mitch, Wallis is a strong medium-sized goalkicking forward.



57. JORDAN STALEY

Good athleticism and can play keyposition either in defence or attack.



68. ANTHONY BARRY

A hard-running midfielder/half-back, Barry brings hardness around the ball and experience.



60. ANDREW TASHEVSKI-BECKWITH

Young first-year player with strong attack on the ball. Has made big improvements in his debut VFL season.



69. BEN LONG

Talented young player with an appetite for the contested ball. Has good speed and has adapted well to playing forward.



61. LIAM NASH

A young inside midfielder, Nash is good overhead and has good skills on both sides of the body.



71. DALE HOUGHTON

Versatile and athletic wingman/ forward. Brings experience at VFL level.



62. BRAD OLSSON

Left-foot medium-sized defender. Showed promising signs in his first year at Footscray.



72. GABRIEL HAMILTON

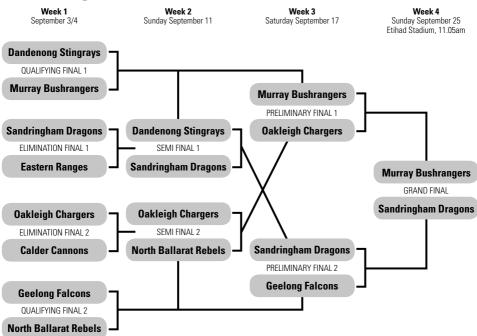
Inside midfielder. Strong tackler with good intensity at the contest.



TAC Cup Ladder

POS	TEAM	P	W	L	D	В	For	Agst	%	PTS
1	Dandenong Stingrays	17	14	3	0	0	1479	1117	132.41	56
2	Geelong Falcons	17	13	4	0	0	1610	1192	135.07	52
3	North Ballarat Rebels	17	12	5	0	0	1583	1206	131.26	48
4	Murray Bushrangers	17	11	5	1	0	1518	1179	128.75	46
5	Sandringham Dragons	17	11	5	1	0	1439	1152	124.91	46
6	Oakleigh Chargers	17	8	9	0	0	1266	1254	100.96	32
7	Calder Cannons	17	8	9	0	0	1346	1465	91.88	32
8	Eastern Ranges	17	7	10	0	0	1482	1366	108.49	28
9	Gippsland Power	18	6	12	0	0	1340	1584	84.60	24
10	Western Jets	18	5	13	0	0	1168	1624	71.92	20
11	Bendigo Pioneers	18	4	14	0	0	1299	1792	72.49	16
12	Northern Knights	18	4	14	0	0	1192	1660	71.81	16

TAC Cup Finals Series Structure



TAC Cup Media Tips

Anthony Stanguts	(0) 69	Phil Crooks	(1) 71	Rick Morris	(2) 71
Murray Bushrang	ers	Sandringham Dragons		Murray Bushrange	ers

TAC Cup Results

PRELIMINARY FINALS

Sandringham Dragons	1.1-7	3.5-23	5.7-37	10.10-70
Geelong Falcons	5.2-32	6.2-38	7.5-47	7.6-48

Geelong Falcons

Goal Kickers: P. Dowling 2, H. Elliot 2, J. McLachlan, J. Bennett, Z. Zdybel Best Players: J. Blood, H. Elliot, C. Parish, M. Diamond,

Best Players: J. Blood, H. Elliot, C. Parish, M. Diamond, B. McNamara, L. McCartney

Sandringham Dragons

Goal Kickers: T. Taranto 4, O. Florent 2, L. Filipovic, H. McLean, J. Trew, T. Maloney

Best Players: T. Taranto, L. Filipovic, O. Florent, H. McLean, C. Lyons, A. Brayshaw

Murray Bushrangers	2.4-16	7.6-48	12.9-81	15.12-102
Oakleigh Chargers	1.3-9	2.6-18	3.8-26	8.10-58

Murray Bushrangers

Goal Kickers: L. Tiziani 6, T. McMullan 2, N. Richards 2, D. Hemphill 2, W. Brodie, M. Lynch, T. Marshall Best Players: R. Garthwaite, M. Lynch, L. Tiziani, H. Boyd, N. Richards, Z. Sproule

Oakleigh Chargers

Goal Kickers: D. Johnstone 3, D. Stanford 2, L. Walker, J. Higgins, V. Adduci

Best Players: R. Jones, T. Wooller, D. Stanford, E. Phillips, D. Johnstone, L. Walker

TAC Cup Stats of the Week

KICKS		
Player Name	Team	Total
Fletcher Carroll	Murray Bushrangers	18
Harrison Burt	Sandringham Dragons	18
Tim Taranto	Sandringham Dragons	17
Mitch Diamond	Geelong Falcons	16
Corey Lyons	Sandringham Dragons	14

HANDBALLS		
Player Name	Team	Total
Andrew McGrath	Sandringham Dragons	18
Cassidy Parish	Geelong Falcons	15
Lachlan Filipovic	Sandringham Dragons	14
Lachlan Walker	Oakleigh Chargers	13
Charlie Spargo	Murray Bushrangers	13

MARKS		
Player Name	Team	Total
Pat Dowling	Geelong Falcons	8
Darcy James	Sandringham Dragons	8
Harrison Burt	Sandringham Dragons	7
Andrew Brayshaw	Sandringham Dragons	7
Todd Marshall	Murray Bushrangers	7

HITOUTS		
Player Name	Team	Total
Sean Darcy	Geelong Falcons	35
Ned Reeves	Oakleigh Chargers	22
Lachlan Filipovic	Sandringham Dragons	18
Max Lynch	Murray Bushrangers	16
Hayden Elliot	Geelong Falcons	11

TACKLES		
Player Name	Team	Total
Andrew McGrath	Sandringham Dragons	8
Ben Paton	Murray Bushrangers	8
Mitch Diamond	Geelong Falcons	8
Trent Thompson	Geelong Falcons	8
Josh Trew	Sandringham Dragons	7

2016 LEADING GOALKICKERS							
Player Name	Team	Goals	Total				
Karl Brown	Calder Cannons	DNP	46				
Brett Blair	Geelong Falcons	-	40				
Lachlan Tiziani	Murray Bushrangers	6	39				
Sam Fowler	Dandenong Stingrays	DNP	35				
Kayle Kirby	Bendigo Pioneers	DNP	32				



Round 1

Thursday 24th March

Calder Cannons 11.9-75 def by Eastern Ranges 18.8-116

Saturday 26th March

Western Jets 15.13-103 def Oakleigh Chargers 11.11-77

Murray Bushrangers 19.19-133 def Bendigo Pioneers 10.5-65

Gippsland Power 10.15-75 def by Dandenong Stingrays 13.9-87

Northern Knights 7.11-53 def by Sandringham Dragons 22.11-143

Geelong Falcons 16.23-119 def North Ballarat Rebels 14.7-91

Round 2

Saturday 2nd April

Bendigo Pioneers 17.13-115 def Gippsland Power 10.12-72

North Ballarat Rebels 5.11-41 def by Dandenong Stingrays 10.11-71

Geelong Falcons 8.8-56 def by Murray Bushrangers 19.11-125

Sunday 3rd April

Northern Knights 12.6-78 def by Oakleigh Chargers 12.10-82

Eastern Ranges 16.19-115 def Western Jets 6.8-44

Calder Cannons 9.7-61 def by Sandringham Dragons 10.13-73

TAC Cup Development Weekend - April 9/10

Saturday 9th April

Sandringham Dragons 9.10-64 def by **Oakleigh Chargers 14.12-96** (Round 7)

Round 3

Friday 15th April

Eastern Ranges 9.8-62 def by Oakleigh Chargers 12.6-78

Saturday 16th April

Western Jets 10.9-69 def by Sandringham Dragons 12.7-79

Northern Knights 9.5-59 def by Queensland 11.10-76

Calder Cannons 12.10-82 def by NSW ACT RAMS 13.10-88

Geelong Falcons 18.17-125 def Gippsland Power 4.8-32

Dandenong Stingrays 22.12-144 def Bendigo Pioneers 12.11-83

Sunday 17th April

Murray Bushrangers 7.17-59 def North Ballarat Rebels 5.16-46

Round 4

Friday 22nd April

Bendigo Pioneers 8.8-56 def by Oakleigh Chargers 9.15-69

Saturday 23rd April

Queensland 17.14-116 def Western Jets 14.4-88

Sandringham Dragons 18.14-122 def Northern Territory 7.7-49

Dandenong Stingrays 15.5-95 def NSW ACT RAMS 12.8-80

Calder Cannons 10.9-69 def by North Ballarat Rebels 19.14-128

Geelong Falcons 23.11-149 def Northern Knights 13.4-82

Sunday 24th April

Eastern Ranges 21.12-138 def Tassie Mariners 8.9-57

Murray Bushrangers 14.17-101 def Gippsland Power 9.14-68

Round !

Saturday 30th April

Geelong Falcons 13.18-96 def Eastern Ranges 11.8-74

Gippsland Power 10.10-70 def by Calder Cannons 19.8-122

Oakleigh Chargers 8.14-62 def by **Northern Territory 10.7-67**

Sunday 1st May

Northern Knights 10.13-73 def Tassie Mariners 7.13-55

North Ballarat Rebels 19.12-126 def Bendigo Pioneers 8.8-56

Murray Bushrangers 11.7-73 drew Sandringham Dragons 10.13-73

Western Jets 2.6-18 def by Dandenong Stingrays 9.18-72

Round 6

Saturday 7th May

Dandenong Stingrays 24.10-154 def Northern Knights 7.13-55

Geelong Falcons 16.16-112 def Western Jets 11.6-72

North Ballarat Rebels 13.15-93 def Oakleigh Chargers 7.12-54

Bendigo Pioneers 19.11-125 def Eastern Ranges 15.14-104

Calder Cannons 16.10-106 def Murray Bushrangers 7.10-52

Sunday 8th May

Gippsland Power 7.13-55 def by Sandringham Dragons 16.8-104

Round 7

Friday 13th May

Geelong Falcons 20.10-130 def Calder Cannons 6.8-44

Saturday 14th May

Eastern Ranges 17.18-120 def Gippsland Power 11.4-70

Murray Bushrangers 9.13-67 def Dandenong Stingrays 9.9-63

Northern Knights 4.12-36 def by North Ballarat Rebels 14.12-96

Sunday 15th May

Western Jets 11.11-77 def Bendigo Pioneers 9.9-63

TAC Cup Development Weekend - May 21/22

Round 8

Saturday 28th May

Western Jets 8.7-55 def Calder Cannons 7.11-53

Eastern Ranges 14.7-91 def by North Ballarat Rebels 15.9-99

Bendigo Pioneers 13.8-86 def Sandringham Dragons 7.9-51

Oakleigh Chargers 7.15-57 def by Murray Bushrangers 11.10-76

Sunday 29th May

Gippsland Power 14.16-100 def Northern Knights 11.6-72

Dandenong Stingrays 12.13-85 def by Geelong Falcons 20.10-130

Round 9

Saturday 4th June

Eastern Ranges 7.11-53 def by Sandringham Dragons 15.6-96

Calder Cannons 9.16-70 def Oakleigh Chargers 9.7-61

Gippsland Power 8.9-57 def by North Ballarat Rebels 13.16-94

Western Jets 7.12-54 def by Northern Knights 13.9-87

Murray Bushrangers 10.7-67 def by Geelong Falcons 12.9-81

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Sunday 5th June

Bendigo Pioneers 6.9-45 def by **Dandenong Stingrays 9.23-77**

NAB AFL U18 Championships Round 1

Sunday 5th June

Western Australia 19.11-125 def Vic Country 10.4-64

Vic Metro BYE

TAC Cup Development Weekend - June 11/1

NAB AFL U18 Championships Round 2

Monday 13th June

Vic Country 14.8-92 def by Vic Metro 14.10-94

Round 10

Saturday 18th June

North Ballarat Rebels 8.10-58 def by Geelong Falcons 11.15-81

Oakleigh Chargers 8.11-59 def by Western Jets 13.14-92

Dandenong Stingrays 10.16-76 def Gippsland Power 10.8-68

Eastern Ranges 13.5-83 def by Calder Cannons 17.13-115

Sunday 19th June

Northern Knights 6.10-46 def by Sandringham Dragons 10.10-70

Bendigo Pioneers 10.5-65 def by Murray Bushrangers 21.11-137

NAB AFL U18 Championships Round 3

Sunday 19th June

South Australia 10.6-66 def. by Vic Metro 9.15-69

Vic Country BYE

NAB AFL U18 Championships Round 4

Friday 24th June

South Australia 11.10-76 def Vic Country 9.11-65

Allies 8.12-60 def by Vic Metro 10.14-74

Round 11

Saturday 25th June

Gippsland Power 17.10-112 def Western Jets 10.9-69

North Ballarat Rebels 13.5-83 def by Sandringham Dragons 13.9-87

Bendigo Pioneers 8.9-57 def by Northern Knights 11.15-81

Dandenong Stingrays 8.11-59 def by Calder Cannons 18.10-118

Sunday 26th June

Murray Bushrangers 15.14-104 def Eastern Ranges 14.13-97

Geelong Falcons 10.7-67 def Oakleigh Chargers 9.7-61

NAB AFL U18 Championships Round 5

Wednesday 29th June

Vic Metro 12.9-81 def Western Australia 8.10-58

Vic Country 10.6-66 def by Allies 10.10-70

Round 12

Saturday 2nd July

Eastern Ranges 3.10-28 def by Dandenong Stingrays 15.11-101

Gippsland Power 9.11-65 def by Oakleigh Chargers 15.8-98

Murray Bushrangers 20.9-129 def Northern Knights 12.14-86

Geelong Falcons 9.12-66 def by Sandringham Dragons 11.6-72

Sunday 3rd July

Bendigo Pioneers 10.14-74 def by Calder Cannons 13.15-93

North Ballarat Rebels 14.12-96 def Western Jets 12.14-86

Round 13

Saturday 9th July

Northern Knights 8.14-62 def by Calder Cannons 10.7-67

Sandringham Dragons 13.12-90 def Gippsland Power 9.10-64

Oakleigh Chargers 10.10-70 def by Dandenong Stingrays 11.5-71

North Ballarat Rebels 16.12-108 def Murray Bushrangers 12.9-81

Sunday 10th July

Bendigo Pioneers 5.6-36 def by Geelong Falcons 6.12-48

Western Jets 3.9-27 def by Eastern Ranges 17.15-117

Round 14

Saturday 23rd July

Sandringham Dragons 7.6-48 def by Dandenong Stingrays 7.14-56

Northern Knights 5.9-39 def by Eastern Ranges 8.9-57

Murray Bushrangers 15.18-108 def Western Jets 1.2-8 Gippsland Power 8.12-60 def Geelong Falcons 3.16-34

Oakleigh Chargers 7.11-53 def by Bendigo Pioneers 10.14-74

Sunday 24th July

North Ballarat Rebels 13.14-92 def Calder Cannons 8.9-57

Round 15

Saturday 30th July

Dandenong Stingrays 17.17-119 def Western Jets 8.9-57

Sandringham Dragons 8.11-59 def by Murray Bushrangers 11.10-76

Calder Cannons 11.11-77 def by Gippsland Power 14.16-100

Sunday 31st July

Bendigo Pioneers 11.10-76 def by North Ballarat Rebels 20.14-134

Eastern Ranges 13.7-85 def by Geelong Falcons 13.14-92

Northern Knights 15.8-98 def by Oakleigh Chargers 16.8-104

Round 16

Saturday 13th August

Oakleigh Chargers 17.9-111 def Sandringham Dragons 8.8-56

North Ballarat Rebels 18.11-119 def Northern Knights 10.9-69

Gippsland Power 9.15-69 def by Eastern Ranges 12.13-85

Calder Cannons 11.1-67 def by Geelong Falcons 23.19-157

Dandenong Stingrays 10.8-68 def Murray Bushrangers 9.13-67

Sunday 14th August

Bendigo Pioneers 14.7-91 def by Western Jets 18.15-123

Round 17

Saturday 20th August

Calder Cannons 10.10-70 def Western Jets 9.9-63

North Ballarat Rebels 10.19-79 def Eastern Ranges 7.15-57

Murray Bushrangers 8.14-62 def by Oakleigh Chargers 11.10-76

Northern Knights 5.8-38 def by Gippsland Power 12.13-85

Sunday 21st August

Sandringham Dragons 21.25-151 def Bendigo Pioneers 9.1-55

Geelong Falcons 9.13-67 def by Dandenong Stingrays 12.9-81

Round 18

Saturday 27th August

Northern Knights 11.12-78 def Western Jets 10.3-63

Gippsland Power 17.16-118 def Bendigo Pioneers 12.5-77

TOP 8 TEAMS BYE

Week 1 Finals

Saturday 3rd September

2nd ELIMINATION FINAL

Oakleigh Chargers 23.10-148 def Calder Cannons 5.12-42

2nd QUALIFYING FINAL

Geelong Falcons 19.12-126 def North Ballarat Rebels 13.11-89

Sunday 4th September

1st ELIMINATION FINAL

Sandringham Dragons 10.17-77 def Eastern Ranges 10.15-75 1st QUALIFYING FINAL

Dandenong Stingrays 12.6-78 def by Murray Bushrangers 15.14-104

Week 2 Finals

Sunday 11th September

Dandenong Stingrays 4.6-30 def by Sandringham Dragons 13.13-91 North Ballarat Rebels 12.8-80 def by Oakleigh Chargers 12.14-86

Week 3 Finals

Saturday 17th September

Geelong Falcons 7.6-48 def by Sandringham Dragons 10.10-70

Murray Bushrangers 15.12-102 def Oakleigh Chargers 8.10-58

Week 4 Finals Time

Sunday 25th September Murray Bushrangers vs Sandringham Dragons 11.05am Ftihad Stadium

Murray Bushrangers player profiles

1. ESAVA RATUGOLEA

Powerful ruckman who has the ability to push forward. Super competitive player who attacks the ball with ferocity. Excitement machine.



9. BEN PATON

Tough-as-nails midfielder who has had a super consistent season and has good skills with the ability to take a strong mark when pushing forward.



2. JY SIMPKIN

Electric small forward who was set for a huge year before a broken leg ended his season. Highly skilled, ultracompetitive and a great team man, he will be fit for the 2017 pre-season.



10. DANIEL SHARROCK

Skilful midfielder who sets up play with great decision-making and good skills. Reads the play extremely well.



3. NED NIHILL

Reliable defender who competes hard in the air and rebounds with run, good skills and decision-making.



11. LOUIS PINNUCK

Hard-running defender who plays a role either across half back or through the midfield. Rarely beaten in a contest and a natural leader.



5. FLETCHER CARROLL

Running machine who wins the ball, can play through the midfield and across half back. Outstanding onfield leader who played well in the preliminary final.



13. LACHLAN TIZIANI

Has set the TAC Cup finals series alight with 10 goals in two games. Super quick, natural goal sense with the ability to mark overhead. One to watch.



6. CHARLIE SPARGO

Dynamic small forward/midfielder who understands the game. Has the ability to kick goals and win clearances through the midfield.



15. ISAAC WALLACE

On-field general who leads by example with his attack on the ball which is combined with good skills and the ability to push forward.



7. WILL BRODIE

Midfield general who continues to win the ball, use it well and power away from stoppages. Has played a crucial role through the finals series winning a number of crucial contests.



18. TRENT McMULLAN

Key-position forward who can play in the ruck. Great overhead mark and elite decision-maker who consistently hits the scoreboard.



8. JAKE PAGE

Outside midfielder who continues to impress with his ability to run all day and find the football. Good skills with the ability to play across the half back line.



19. WILL DONAGHEY

Running defender who provides skill and drive across the half back line and through the wings.



20. ZACH SPROULE

Athletic key-position player who can play either forward or back. Great kick who can run all day.



31. DAMON HEMPHILL

Powerful defender who plays on the opposition's best small forward each week. Strong over the ball and can go forward and kick a goal.



21. DOULTON LANGLANDS

Athletic beast who plays as a running defender with elite speed and running ability, attacks the contest with ferocity and has very good skills.



32. HARRY BOYD

Outstanding leader who reads the play well and works hard to every contest. Plays his role for the team either down back, in the ruck or across the half forward line



22. HARRY MORRISON

Silky skills with a unique ability to read the play across half back or through the midfield. Great decision-maker and elite kick who is rarely beaten.



33. JAMES COUSINS

One of the premier midfielders in the competition. Runs hard, is tough over the ball, kicks it well and provides onfield leadership.



24. TRENT WILLIAMSON

Reliable defender who competes hard at the contest and plays one-on-one football. Runs all day.



34. JORDON BUTTS

Developing key defender who has had an impact during the season. Good skills, courage and ability to read the play.



25. RYAN GARTHWAITE

One of the premier defenders in the competition. Impossible to beat oneon-one and has had a huge impact during the finals series. Will play a key role in the Grand Final.



35. MAX LYNCH

The 200cm ruckman was outstanding in the preliminary final with a fierce attack on the ball, athleticism and the ability to go forward and kick a goal.



26. MASON MARR

Strong midfielder/half forward who has good skills and takes a good overhead mark.



39. BILLY COOPER

Skilful forward who reads the play well and creates scoring opportunities.



28. JY LANE

Running machine who has lifted his game during the finals series. Quick, runs all day and uses the ball well.



40. TODD MARSHALL

Highly skilled key-position forward who continues to highlight his natural ability. Fierce appetite for the contest, electric speed and elite skills. One to watch in the Grand Final.



29. NICK RICHARDS

Energetic half forward/midfielder who continues to raise his game to the next level, Runs hard, pushes forward and lifts teammates with his attack on the hall



47. NATHAN OAKES

Powerful half back/inside midfielder who is strong over the ball with an elite left foot kick





Murray Bushrangers





Coach: Leon Higgins

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

No.	NAME	DoB	HT	WT	PREVIOUS CLUB	G	В
1	Esava Ratugolea	24-Jul-98	194	95	Cobram		
2	Jy Simpkin (C)	05-Mar-98	182	72	Mooroopna		
3	Ned Nihill	28-Aug-98	192	80	Nathalia		
5	Fletcher Carroll (C)	29-Apr-98	173	70	Albury		
6	Charlie Spargo	25-Nov-99	175	73	Albury		
7	William Brodie (C)	23-Aug-98	189	82	Shepparton		
00	Jake Page	05-Mar-98	186	78	Albury		
9	Ben Paton	19-Oct-98	184	74	Mitta		
10	Daniel Sharrock	05-Nov-98	186	78	Wangaratta		
11	Louis Pinnuck (C)	24-Sep-98	185	75	Strathmerton		
13	Lachlan Tiziani	13-Mar-97	189	81	Albury		
15	Isaac Wallace (C)	22-Jul-98	178	82	Wodonga		
18	Trent McMullan	24-Feb-97	193	81	Wodonga		
19	William Donaghey	22-Oct-99	189	72	Wodonga Raiders		
20	Zachary Sproule	12-May-98	197	87	Albury		
21	Doulton Langlands	29-Jul-99	185	74	St Patrick's		
22	Harry Morrison	12-Nov-98	182	73	Benalla		
24	Trent Williamson	26-Feb-98	186	78	Wodonga		
25	Ryan Garthwaite	30-Jun-98	192	80	Corowa/Rutherglen		
26	Mason Marr	11-Mar-98	182	85	Wodonga		
28	Jy Lane	21-Mar-99	183	75	Corowa/Rutherglen		
29	Nicholas Richards	31-Jul-98	175	70	Wangaratta		
31	Damon Hemphill	20-Feb-98	179	76	Yarrawonga		
32	Harry Boyd (C)	11-Feb-98	196	93	Shepparton		
33	James Cousins	19-Mar-98	185	77	Mansfield		
34	Jordon Butts	31-Dec-99	194	75	Shepparton		
35	Max Lynch	12-Sep-98	200	99	Albury		
39	Billy Cooper	12-Sep-98	182	68	Shepparton East		
40	Todd Marshall	08-Oct-98	197	87	Deniliquin Rams		
47	Nathan Oakes	27-Aug-99	183	83	Nathalia		

MATCH UMPIRES: Field umpire: John Howorth **Field umpire:** Leighton Rowe **Field umpire:** Cameron Dore

Emg field umpire: Annie Mirabile Emg goal umpire: Sam Walsh

Sandringham Dragons





Coach: Jeremy Barnard

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

No.	NAME	DoB	HT	WT	PREVIOUS CLUB	G	В
1	Ashley Krakauer	26-Jun-98	172	69	Ajax/Caulfield Grammar		
2	Darcy James	05-Mar-97	184	80	St Bedes-Mentone		
3	Josh Trew	03-Jun-98	180	73	Beaumaris		
4	William Setterfield	05-Feb-98	190	79	Caulfield Grammar		
5	Andrew McGrath	02-Jun-98	179	75	East Brighton/Brighton Grammar		
6	Goy Lok	28-Aug-97	181	84	Mazenod Old Collegians		
7	Corey Lyons	31-May-98	182	78	St Peters		
8	Timothy Taranto	28-Jan-98	186	82	Parkdale/St Kevin's		
9	Reuben Hayward	14-May-98	182	75	Ormond		
10	Jack Scrimshaw	04-Sep-98	193	80	Beaumaris/Haileybury		
11	Hamish Brayshaw (C)	09-Feb-98	186	85	Hampton Rovers		
13	Oliver Florent	22-Jul-98	183	74	Beaumaris/Mentone Grammar		
14	Liam Murphy	16-Nov-98	182	76	De La Salle		
15	Cameron Polson	11-Mar-98	177	76	Haileybury		
16	Harrison Burt	16-Sep-98	183	74	Ormond		
18	Connor Larkin	25-Jan-98	191	78	Mordialloc Braeside		
20	Ari Sakeson	30-Jul-98	190	81	East Brighton/Brighton Grammar		
21	Kane Nissenbaum	16-Feb-98	177	73	Ajax		
23	Kye Beveridge	21-Aug-98	178	66	St Peters		
25	Thomas Maloney	12-May-98	178	74	South Melbourne Districts		
28	Lachlan Filipovic	29-Aug-98	199	90	Ormond		
30	Jesse Smith	03-Apr-98	199	98	Caulfield Grammar		
32	Max Williams	30-Oct-98	192	91	Beaumaris/Mentone Grammar		
39	Lachlan Harris	17-Feb-99	170	66	Hampton Rovers/Caulfield Grammar		
40	Quintin Montanaro	20-Jan-99	186	70	Beaumaris/Brighton Grammar		
41	Andrew Brayshaw	08-Nov-99	182	75	Hampton Rovers/Haileybury		
42	Charlie Constable	18-May-99	189	76	Haileybury		
59	Isaac Morrisby	11-Jan-99	191	90	East Malvern/Caulfield Grammar		
61	Hayden McLean	20-Jan-99	196	91	Beaumaris		
70	Ethan Casey	13-Feb-99	201	96	Ormond/Caulfield Grammar		

Boundary umpire: Kieran Ferguson **Boundary umpire:** Simon Blight

Boundary umpire: Adam Bell Boundary umpire: Patrick Jackson Goal umpire: Chris Doyle Goal umpire: Matthew Edwards

Sandringham Dragons player profiles

1. ASH KRAKAUER

Small mid/forward who has a smart football brain matched with fantastic skills by hand and foot. Ever diligent, he shows his professionalism on and off the ground.



Strong 19-year-old defender who missed 2015 due to a knee injury after having a fantastic bottom-age year in 2014. Hardly gets beaten in a one-onone contest.

3. JOSH TREW

Medium mid/forward who works hard up and down the ground using his athletic capabilities. Has played every game for the Dragons this season.

4. WILL SETTERFIELD

Tall midfielder with very good character and work rate. Has great hands above his head and has been used to great effect when rested forward, NSW/ACT and Allies representative and GWS academy prospect.

5. ANDREW MCGRATH

Mid/defender who provides plenty of energy and run and carry for his team. Had an outstanding National Championships representing Vic Metro and won their B&F while also being named in the U18 All Australian team.

6. GOY LOK

19-year-old strong inside midfielder who loves to explode from the contest. Had the opportunity to represent the Sandringham Zebras as a 23rd player three times this year.

7. COREY LYONS

Smart midfielder who represented Vic Metro in their Championship win. His football continues to go from strength to strength in his top-age season. As a co-vice captain, he has been one of the Dragons' key drivers in the back half of the year. Brother of Adelaide's Jarryd Lvons.



8. TIM TARANTO

Athletic inside/outside midfielder who is very strong overhead. Has had a terrific season at all levels of the game. Represented Vic Metro in their Championship win and also named in the U18 All Australian team



9. REUBEN HAYWARD

Rebounding defender who has provided run off the back line while the private school players were away. Has played all but one game for the Dragons this season in a really strong top-age year. Has really worked hard on his game and is reaping the rewards.







10. JACK SCRIMSHAW

Tall rebounding defender/mid with a in their Championship win after making



lot of X-factor. Represented Vic Metro a strong comeback from an injuryravaged 2015.



11. HAMISH BRAYSHAW

The Dragons captain is a strong midfielder who can push forward and hit the scoreboard. Represented Vic Metro in their Championship win this vear. His value to the team is much more than just kicks, marks and handhalls



Mid/forward who doesn't need many possessions to really make an impact. Has good athleticism and moves easily through traffic to dispose the ball by hand or foot with great efficiency. Represented Vic Metro in their



13. OLIVER FLORENT

Championship win.



14. LIAM MURPHY

Hard-working and tough medium mid/ defender who has bounced back after an injury early in the season. Co-vice captain and brother of ex-Hawthorn & Gold Coast player Tom Murphy.



15. CAM POLSON

Top-age midfielder who injured a shoulder playing at APS level early in the season. Did play some very good football early in the year, especially the first Metro trial. Has worked hard to get back in shape post-operation.





16. HARRISON BURT

Midfielder who runs hard and uses his kicking ability to break the lines. Has great vision and feel for the game. Has played every game for the Dragons in season 2016.

18. CONNOR LARKIN

Medium-tall defender who uses his long limbs to his advantage down back. Has represented the Dragons in 17 games this season missing only a few with minor injury.

20. ARI SAKESON

Tall Defender who can also push up and play midfield and forward with his athleticism. Has done some big iobs in the last few weeks during finals quietening the Stingrays' Josh Battle and Falcons' Brett Blair. Was part of BGS's 3rd APS premiership in a row.

21. KANE NISSENBAUM

Medium wingman who has continued to impress with his eagerness to learn and his ability to play a number of roles for the team.

23. KYE BEVERIDGE

Hard-nosed defender who can move into the midfield or forward and impact the contest with his enthusiasm. Son of Western Bulldogs senior coach Luke Beveridge.

25. TOM MALONEY

Small forward who works hard defensively while also being tough to defend by both working hard to be front and centre, and also being strong on the lead.

28. LACHLAN FILIPOVIC

Vic Metro Championship and TAC Cup Team of the Year ruckman who shows good athleticism and competes hard. Played representative basketball up until U16s before joining the Dragons program and is growing with confidence each game he plays.

30. JESSE SMITH

Top-age ruckman who can go forward and take a contested mark and then kick the goal. Has played seven games for the Dragons around his APS commitments at Caulfield Grammar.



32. MAX WILLIAMS

Key-position player who has been used both back and forward for the Dragons. His ability to read the ball and good set of hands sees him as a fantastic intercept mark.



39. LACHLAN HARRIS

Bottom-age small forward/mid with very good pace and feel for the game. Has had a strong APS season with Caulfield Grammar and comes from very good football stock, being the son of Leon Harris.



40. QUINTIN MONTANARO

Bottom-age midfielder who has a ground. Has been unlucky with some injuries during games, limiting his game time when selected to play.



fantastic aerobic capacity to cover the



41. ANDREW BRAYSHAW

Really competitive bottom-age player who has showed his ability to play both as a midfielder and defender. Brother of captain Hamish Brayshaw and Melbourne's Angus Brayshaw.



42. CHARLIE CONSTABLE Bottom-age defender-cum-utility who is super competitive and hard at the contest. Has overcome a couple of injuries early in the season to finish



the year really strongly with Old Hailevburv.

Bottom-age key-position forward who can take a strong contested mark. Kicked four goals in the Dragons' last home-and-away match leading into



59. ISAAC MORRISBY

the finals series.



61. HAYDEN MCLEAN

Tall key-position player who has played all but two of the Dragons' games this season as a bottom-age player. Has bounced back fantastically after not playing any football in 2015 due to iniuries.



70. ETHAN CASEY

Bottom-age ruckman who has played two games for the Dragons in 2016. Had 43 hitouts in the Dragons' Round 13 win against the Geelong Falcons.





Quiz

Test your knowledge of the 2016 Peter Jackson VFL, TAC Cup and Swisse VFL Women's finals so far in the weekly AFL Victoria Record quiz.

VFI

- 1. How many straight finals had the Casey Scorpions lost before defeating Footscray in their Qualifying Final?
- 2. Which player was shifted forward from his usual defensive post and kicked five goals in Sandringham's Elimination Final victory over Port Melbourne?
- 3. From how many points behind at three-quarter time did Essendon come back to record a 22-point win against Geelong in their Elimination Final clash?
- 4. Which player posted the highest individual total for disposals in the finals so far during Williamstown's Semi Final victory over Sandringham?
- 5. How many VFL games had Ben Long played before booting six goals in Footscray's Preliminary Final win against Collingwood?

TAC Cup

- 6. Which brother of an Adelaide AFL player kicked the go-ahead goal for the Sandringham Dragons late in their two-point Elimination Final victory over the Eastern Ranges?
- 7. Who booted six majors for the Dandenong Stingrays in their Qualifying Final loss to the Murray Bushrangers?
- 8. Which two Country top-four teams were knocked out of the finals in straight sets?
- 9. Which Murray Bushrangers forward has kicked 10 goals in his team's two finals victories so far?

VFI Women's

10. Who won the Best-on-Ground Medal in Darebin's 12-point Grand Final triumph over Melbourne Uni last week?



Answers: 1. 11 finals (dating back to 2008) / 2. Tom Lee / 3. 16 points / 4. Ben Jolley (41 disposals) / 5. Five games / 6. Corey Lyons (brother of Jarryd) / 7. Josh Battle / 8. Minor premiers Dandenong Stingrays and third-placed Morth Ballarat Rebels / 9. Lachlan Tistani / 10. Darebin's Darcy Vescio































































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