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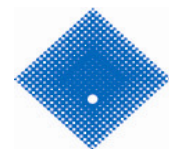
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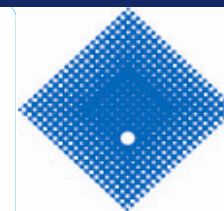


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Four Jets Selected for Vic Metro U18



Four Western Jets players have earned selection in the Vic Metro Squad ahead of the 2017 AFL U/18 National Championships. Lachlan Fogarty, Cameron Rayner, Tristan Xerri and Buku Khamis are selected in this prestigious squad.

Vic Metro have now played two games, Cameron Rayner has played in all games and been a pivotal player for the side with his best match coming against Vic Country where he gathered 21 disposals and kicked three goals. Fogarty missed the first match with an injury but played in the last match and was also vital for his team against Vic Country gathering 24 disposals and kicking two majors. Tristan has also played one match, he was named in the best, playing in the ruck and up forward and taking some big marks. Buku is in the AFL Academy 1 and is having a great year for the Jets and is also in the Western Bulldogs Next Generation Academy.

Vic Metro 16's Selection

Congratulations to the four boys pictured on the right, from left to right; Emerson Jeka, Lachlan Rzanovski, Ethan Bentley and Darcy Cassar.

All four of these players were recently selected in the AFL U/16 National Vic Metro Squad for the 2017 Nationals.

The four boys all played in game one at Punt Rd Oval and all played their part to ensure a first up win for the Metro side in the Championships.

Emerson (Altona), Lachlan (Werribee Districts), Ethan (Spotswood) and Darcy (Keilor) have all been involved right throughout the talent pathway so far in their football journeys and are willing recipients of this honour after wonderful performances for the Western Jets in the State Championships in April.

Josh Honey and Steven Kyriazis were also named in the initial Vic Metro Squad but unfortunately Josh sustained an injury which ruled him out and Steven narrowly missed out on selection.



500 Players to trial with the Jets during Holidays

During the upcoming second term school holidays the Western Jets will be conducting five days full of development matches for talented players in the western metropolitan region of Melbourne. Over the course of the five days up to 500 boys and girls will have the chance to push their case for further football with the TAC Western Jets.

The dates of the trial matches are as follows:

- Tuesday, July 4th two Under 15 matches commencing from 10am and 11:30am.
- Thursday, July 6th one two Under 14 matches commencing from 10am and 11:30am.
- Tuesday, July 11th one Under 17 match commencing from 10am.
- Tuesday, July 11th one Youth Girls match commencing at 11:30am.
- Thursday, July 13th one Under 16 match commencing at 10am.

In addition to this, on Wednesday, July 5th the Western Jets will be a part of the "All Nations" Multicultural Day round robin conducted by AFL Victoria. The matches will be conducted at Ransford Oval in Carlton.

Staff Representation

It is not only the Western Jets players who are receiving higher honours, it is also the Jets staff who are further enhancing their skill sets. Tom Perrett (pictured right) who is an Assistant Coach of the TAC Cup Squad is this year also going to be an Assistant Coach of the Vic Metro U16's. Tom is working alongside some former AFL champions in Chris Johnson (Head Coach) and Brett Allison (Metro Manager) which is aiding his development as a coach. Tom stated that he wishes to eventually coach at a higher level whether that be in the TAC Cup, the Vic Metro Academy or in the AFL system. Jenna Carr head trainer at the Jets is another staff member who is involved with the Vic Metro squads.



Majak Daw Squad 10th Season

Season 2017 marks the tenth season that the Western Jets have conducted a Multicultural Squad. The team is known as the Majak Daw Multicultural Squad. In 2008 the Multicultural Squad was introduced to enable players from a multicultural background an opportunity to compete in a competition against other players from a similar background across the state of Victoria. In 2017 the Majak Daw Squad will compete in the Five Nations Carnival. There have been some wonderful success stories in the past from the Western Jets with Bachar Houli (Essendon & Richmond) and Majak Daw (North Melbourne) being drafted from the Jets into AFL ranks. Brayden Monk moving from the Majak Daw Squad to become a member to the TAC Cup Squad, then winning the Barry Round Medal. He now plays for the Williamstown Football Club in the VFL.

Higher Honours for TAC Cup Girls

It is not only the boys who have recently had a taste of Vic Metro representation, some of the members of the Western Jets inaugural TAC Cup Squad have been selected in the training squad for Vic Metro. Aleesha Hobbs, Chelsea Jansen, Cleo Saxon-Jones and Isabella Grant were all selected to participate in the U/18 Nationals' trials for the girls. Isabelle Prtichard and Elizabeth Georgostathis are representing the big V in the U16 Nationals. Congratulations to the girls!

Corporate Sponsors Day

The Western Jets are looking forward to celebrating the contribution of our wonderful sponsors at the annual Corporate Sponsors Day. On Sunday, July 16th at the Carlton vs Western Bulldogs match at the MCG the Western Jets will host all of our corporate sponsors at this match. Thank-you once again to Victoria University, McDonalds, 13 CABS, Buffalo Sports, Hunter French Real Estate and Boccaccio Supa IGA Balwyn for their support in 2017.

Without the fantastic support of these businesses, the Western Jets would not be able to provide the quality of programs to all of the 500 plus players who will participate in one form or another for the Club in 2017. From everyone at the Western Jets, thank-you for your ongoing support.

Mid Season Report- TAC Cup Coach- Torin Baker

As we enter the last half of the season, it has been a good time for players and coaches to reflect upon individual and team performance to date. Each player has an individual review meeting with a coach, whilst as a team we have looked to make some changes to our ball movement for the second half of the season whilst consolidating some positive aspects of our game. To date, we have largely had a competitive season and the players have given a strong account of themselves in most rounds. The Bendigo and Oakleigh games were disappointing from an effort point of view in some stages of the game whilst there were some pleasing four quarter competitive performances against Calder and Eastern. We also put up a strong a performance against Geelong but were overrun late in the game. The exciting come from behind victory in the last 2 minutes of play against Gippsland was a great feeling for all the players involved. It remains a wide open race to the finals with a number of teams in the middle and lower ends of the ladder in strong contention. Whilst team performance is a priority, so too is giving opportunities to our listed players and developing versatility amongst the group. A number of players are now being introduced to TAC Cup football, whilst other players are being exposed to different positions to further enhance their growth as a player. As a coach, it is exciting to give players opportunities at TAC level and see players get challenged to improve and adapt to the level.



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