A QUICK GLANCE AT THE MIRRORMAN

In our continuing series on OFC's greatest players this week we look at a guy who owns Club records that are unlikely to ever be bettered.

> Check the CV-Eight time Club best and fairest YVMDFL Division One Best Player 1998 Triple Premiership player. Premiership Coach. 405 Games. Two season of senior footy and other clubs

He played his first Senior game in 1987 and his last in 2012 . That's 25 years of footy- a quarter of a century- in a game that is among the most taxing in the world. Yes, it's an awesome record .

We should add that he came out of retirement to help us in the Twos in 2019-32 years after commencing his Senior career,



His name is of course Michael Scott

In his last year of coaching Mick praises the guys for their big win in tough conditions at Monbulk in 2012 . Patrick Rosier and David Noorda are in the foreground.

What was it that made this rugged midfielder such a stand out player over so many years ? We asked the man who played more matches with him than anyone- Andy Greenall-

"Mirror" was an old fashioned footballer in as much as he never rested or rotated off the bench. Other teams tried to combat his amazing stamina by rotating players off him but he continually ran them into the ground.

He was also a tough and uncompromising footballer and in his hundreds of games over many years he was seldom beaten. Simply he was unbelievable the way he played consistently good footy.

Ian "George" Symons was his first senior coach-

" Mick was very talented with a huge motor and consequently could run all day. He was part of a group of talented youngsters coming through in the late 80s, including Andrew Boxhead Greenall and Grant Faull (they won the Div 2 flag in 1988 and made the Div One grand final a few years later).



A "svelte" teenager- Michael Scott flying high in the 1988 Grand Final Grant Faull looks on in awe..

"Mirror's" unequalled playing record is further embellished by his selfless commitment to the Club. He was captain/coach when he led by example in 1998 and won the League Best and Fairest.

A decade later he stepped up again when OFC was unable to appoint a suitable coach. Mirror put his hand up and guided the Club through one of it's toughest years on record (2008) before reaping the rewards the following year when OFC won all three premierships in Second Division.

Incredibly this was three years <u>after</u> OFC recognised Mirror's service to the Club by naming the Senior B and F after him.



Michael Scott- last senior game August 2012

MICHAEL SCOTT and the "Mirror"- Michael is known throughout the League by his nickname "Mirror". It stems from the fact that he was a very handsome teenager who, allegedly, was fond of the mirror. Ian Symon's wife Deb says Mirror, and his young team mates AG and Grunna, were all a good looking bunch of kids.