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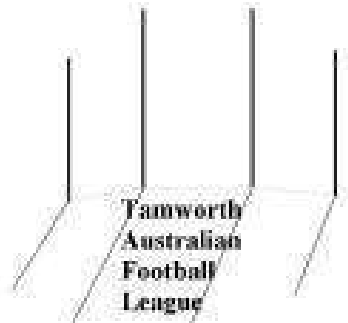
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Gerry Griffiths
Consulting Engineers



Country Energy Tamworth AFL President's Comment



Last week's round was particularly significant for the make-up and shape of the final four. The Tamworth Roos win over the Bulldogs at Gunnedah took them to the top of the ladder on percentage. Could this be another premiership year for the Roos? At Inverell, the Saints caused an upset by defeating the Tamworth Swans by 41 points. This was a very good effort on the part of the Saints allowing them to avenge their earlier loss at home. It also makes life very difficult for the Nomads; they now seem likely to miss the finals. At No.1, the Muswellbrook Cats put in their best performance of the year; the Nomads struggled in the first half to maintain a lead and it was only in the second half that they pulled away. It must have been very heartening for the Cats and their supporters.

In this week's round there are a number of important games. The Nomads take on the Saints at Bellevue. This is a must win game for the Nomads and their last home game for the year. At No.1 Oval, the Swans take on the Dogs - both teams are coming off losses and will be keen to turn their fortunes around. In the final game, the Roos are travelling to Muswellbrook to take on the Cats. The Cats will be hoping that their good form from Round 12 continues.

Enjoy the football.

Adrian Walsh
CETAFL President

Ladder

Rank	Team	P	W	L	D	F	A	Pts	%
1	Tamworth Kangaroos	12	8	4	-	1327	914	32	145.19
2	Gunnedah Bulldogs	12	8	4	-	1263	875	32	144.34
3	Tamworth Swans	12	8	4	-	1332	926	32	143.84
4	Inverell Saints	12	7	5	-	1315	897	24	146.60
5	New England Nomads	12	5	7	-	1069	944	20	113.24
6	Muswellbrook Cats	12	0	12	-	354	2104	0	16.83

This Week's Games



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New England Nomads



Last weekend saw a mixed performance from the Nomads against Muswellbrook in Tamworth. The cats came out firing and presented a huge challenge for the first two quarters, however after a half time rev up from coach Meehan the boys were able to get the upper hand and come away with a good victory. This weekend is a huge one for the club with our last home game of the season coinciding with our annual Nomads Ball. There will be lots of former players on hand to see the Nomads take on the Saints and the boys will be confident of coming away with the spoils in front of a large home crowd. The Nomads are confident of having one of our strongest line-ups of the season this Saturday with Adam Wright and Will Hamilton returning after missing last weeks game and Hamish Pearce making his long awaited return, this should ensure that we take the game right up to the Saints in what will be a very tight contest. Congratulations also goes out this week to our captain Matt Maxwell who will be become the 10th Nomad to play 50 games for the club, well done Matt.

Ben Page
President
New England Nomads



Insurance
New England

Inverell Saints



Harvey Norman

It was a welcome return to form for the Inverell Saints last weekend, and our first win for the season over the Swans will hopefully be the catapult toward a successful last 3 rounds in the Country Energy TAFL. This week's match against our 'local' rivals the Nomads provides the Saints with the opportunity to put together 2 in a row for the first time since Round 5. However, the Nomads are playing for their last chance to get to the finals, and will love nothing more than knocking the Saints off.

The Saints have unearthed some great talent, none more impressive than Ben Lee, who has taken to the game in leaps and bounds. For the third consecutive week he was amongst the Saints award winners last week, and he will once again be vital in the ruck this week. Beau Ryan has also been an outstanding find for the Saints, and his six goals last week went along way towards getting the Saints over the line. Add Peter Heath to the mix, and the Saints have had some great first year players this year. The usual suspects have also had great years, with Mick Viney right in the running for the Gerry Griffiths Medal and young stars Joe Kimmince and Tom Williams having outstanding years.

This game is a huge one for the Saints, with a win putting them back in the mix for a top 2 finish, but a loss keeps the door open for the Nomads to take the last spot in the finals. There is everything to play for, and this is going to be a huge week for the club either way.

Nick Baird
Committee Member
Inverell Saints



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Tamworth Swans




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Joshy Mac is back this week to deny rumours that he was taken off air for a stunt with a lie detector and an umpire. The Swans faced a unique double header on the weekend, going down to the Saints before an unscheduled clash with the Kangaroos was called a draw with both the 'roo and the bus unable to go on. The Saints were in ruthless form and confirmed that they remain a serious contender for the Country Energy Cup in 2009.

With the table tighter than a camel's bum in a sandstorm, every remaining match is an eight-pointer. Our clash with the Bulldogs this week is no different. Our effort against the Saints was good, but we have been some way short of Robin Hood in front of goals of late and will need to make every adventure inside 50 count this week. Like Germany in WW1 we have been unable to get all our guns on the one front this year, but remain in a strong position and hope to do so before the war is over.

Our trivia night is on after the game, kicking off at 7pm at the Southgate Inn. \$15 buys you hot finger food and a night packed with laughs, so mosey on to the Southgate with your thinking cap to celebrate a win!
Yours in footy,

Josh McKenzie
President
Tamworth Swans AFC



Gunnedah Bulldogs



COMMENT NOT SUPPLIED

Muswellbrook Cats



The Muswellbrook Cats return home to Werriman Field this weekend to take on the top of the table Kangaroos. The Cats are coming off their narrowest loss and by far best performance of the year so far against the Nomads at Tamworth's No1 oval last weekend. Our boys battled hard all day and the final score does not reflect the true result with the Cats fading out in the last minutes of the final quarter and gifting the Nomads a couple of goals. But with the Kangaroos on their way the Cats will be required to lift again to avoid the Kangaroos taking an easy four points.

The Cats would like to thank the Nomads for the game last weekend, also the Kangaroos Canteen lady (sorry I don't know your name) and also Bill Holder for coming along and doing time keeping duties on the day. These are the people that make these games possible so a very big thank you to them. Also notable mentions from last week were Adam Griffiths, Wayne Gunn, Steve Mullane, Stuart McAdam, Adam Warner, Jackson Bower, Dave Howarth.

The Cats will be looking to Captain Grant Ellis and his band of merry men in the middle to win first touch from the bounce to control the game for the Cats and to have our first win for 2009 against the Kangaroos on home soil.

The Cats will also be holding the presentation this week at the Railway Hotel, so let's all get along to the footy on Saturday for a great day and a few drinks at the Railway afterwards.

Scott Cook
Secretary
Muswellbrook Cats

Tamworth Kangaroos



After a scare in the third quarter last week against the Dogs the Roos are now working on keeping top spot. Last week saw the Roos travel a little light on with several top players out due to various reasons, but those who took to the field did the job and once again the pressure on Coach Bishop is mounting on whom we pick for the finals campaign. With pleasing numbers at training this is every coach's nightmare.

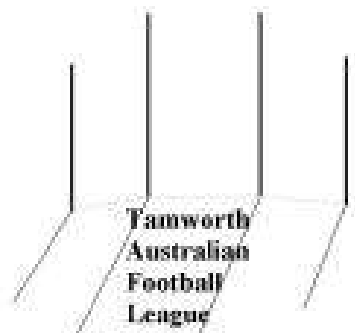
This will be our last trip away for 2009 and with a little luck could be the start of some good wins by the Roos. As usual the Roos are looking forward to the Cats game and the bus trip home which has become somewhat of a highlight of each year.

We received a pleasing phone call from the Cats during the week with an invitation to bring the Tamworth U/16s down this Saturday. Colin Moore is doing a great job organising the boys and we are hoping the experience for the 16s will be positive and that it could lead to more boys signing up. Thank you to the parents who have made the effort to get the U/16s to the cattery and we wish the Tamworth 16s all the best in their first game on the road for 2009.

Craig Abbott
President
Tamworth Kangaroos



Umpires



16.1 STANDING THE MARK AND TEN-METRE PROTECTED AREA

16.1.1 Standing the Mark

When a Player is awarded a Mark or Free Kick or is Kicking into play after a Behind has been scored, one Player from the opposing Team may stand at the position on the Playing Surface where the Mark or Free Kick was awarded or where the field Umpire otherwise directs the Player to stand. The position on the Playing Surface where the opposing Player stands is known as “the mark”.

16.1.2 Protected Area

The Protected Area is a corridor which extends from 5 metres either side of the mark to 5 metres either side of, and a 5-metre radius behind, the Player with the football, as illustrated in diagram 2 appearing on page 60. No Player shall enter and remain in the Protected Area unless the field Umpire calls “Play On” or the Player is accompanying or following within 5 metres of his or her opponent.

16.2 PLAYING FROM BEHIND THE MARK

A Player who has been awarded a Mark or Free Kick shall dispose of the football from directly behind the mark. If a Player disposes or attempts to dispose of the football other than in a direct line over the mark, the field Umpire shall call “Play On” and the football shall immediately be in play. This Law does not apply if a Player is disposing of the football from beyond the Goal Line, Behind Line or Boundary Line, in which case Laws 16.4 or 16.5 shall apply.

16.3.2 Encroaching the Mark whilst Player is Kicking for Goal

If the Player standing the mark encroaches the mark whilst a Player is in the act of Kicking for Goal, the following shall apply:

- (a) if a Goal is Kicked, the field Umpire shall signal “All Clear” and a Goal shall be recorded; and
- (b) if a Goal is not Kicked, the Player may elect to take another Kick, in which case the Player shall also be awarded a Fifty-Metre Penalty.

Graham Brown
Umpires Coach and Coordinator

Umpires List



Name
Graham Brown
Gerry Griffiths
Lindsay Brash
Robin Dobos
Mark Storey
Jeffery Cristani
Mark Stocker

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Nomads Team List

Umpire - Jeff Cristani

Number	Name
2	Reece Whitby
3	Tom Walsh
4	Adam Baillie
7	Matt Green
8	Dave Donaldson
10	Weston Whitby
11	Mitch Ivey
12	Jarrold Reid
13	Ben Staunton
15	Sam Trotman
16	Sol Hanks
17	Hamish Pearce
18	Adrian Walsh
21	Ben Page
22	Matt Pett

Number	Name
23	Tyrone Dimmer
26	Mark Clayton
28	Jamie Vesey
29	Ron Crump
31	Jay Wright
32	Matt Bourke
33	Clinton Ballagh
34	Johnathon Frost
37	Omphile Temoso
39	Dave Bioletti
40	Caleb Dobos
41	Nick Shultz
42	Matt Maxwell
44	William Webb
51	Dave Dunlop

Saints Team List

Umpire - Robin Dobos

Number	Name	Number	Name
1	Jack Lawton	20	Matthew Harrison
2	Tom Williams	21	Jonathon Elphick
3	Peter Heath	23	Chris Whitton
4	Pete Dunlop	24	Dan Corcoran
5	Mick Corcoran	26	Ben Lee
6	Darren Pithers	27	James Williams
7	Fraser Hughes	28	Alex Dasey
8	Ben Mutimer	32	Sam Kimmince
9	Bruce Wall	33	Gerry Taveira
10	Shaun Mansbridge	34	Gary Hadland
12	Beau Ryan	35	Justin Pay
13	Adam Rooney	36	Corey Borthwick
14	Mick Corely	37	Chris Pay
15	Dick Gleeson	39	Nick Baird
16	Keiran Te Velde	40	Mick Viney
17	Joe Kimmince		

Swans Team List

Umpire - Lindsay Brash

Number	Name
1	Dean Hoy
2	Gavin Knee
3	Joey Atkinson
4	Travis Brown
5	Jason Darcy
6	Josh McKenzie
7	Leif Smith
8	Dean Finlay
9	Andrew Donohue
10	Glenn Squires
11	Damien Wendt (C)
12	Nick Green
14	Even Griffiths

Number	Name
15	Dane Miller
17	Simon Freer
19	Tristan Jones
20	Andy James
22	Daniel Butcher
23	Lachlan Rowling
24	Sam Shelton
25	Carl Shave
26	Janson Doughty
27	Mitch Forrester
28	Andrew Stevenson
35	Mitch Firth
39	Richard Green

Bulldogs Team List

Umpire - Barry Boccabella

Number	Name
1	Andrew George
2	Stuart McVittie
3	Richard Avendano
4	Luke Kelly
5	Chris Hayden
6	Michael Stevenson
7	Paul Brown
8	David Vidovic
9	Josh Edwards
10	Arlo Pryor
11	Scott Hardy
12	Adam Rees
13	Peter Chapman
14	Matt Baker
15	Aaron Donnelly

Number	Name
16	Adam Waugh
17	Josh Hack
18	Pat Lebreux
19	Ben Middlebrook
20	Garry Briggs
21	Daniel Hunt
22	Duncan Hill
23	Paul Christie
24	Mark Ewington
25	Brendon Lemon
26	Matt Nazzari
27	Sam Naismith
29	John Woolaston
30	Troy Garling

Cats Team List

Umpire - Gerry Griffiths

Number	Name
1	Stuart McAdam
2	Paul Lanyon
3	Brian Scott
4	Adam Griffiths
5	Adam White
6	Robert Jordan
7	Dave Howard
8	James Russ
9	Matthew Lomas
10	Jarrold Jones
11	Steve Mullane
12	Daniel O'Hara
13	Christopher Nichols
14	Rhys Smith
15	Todd Achland

Number	Name
16	Christopher Russell
17	Royston Murphy
18	Nicholas Wilson
19	Kenneth Garland
20	Grant Ellis
21	David Morrissey
22	Christopher Mayne
23	Quinton Foxcroft
24	Grant O'Leary
25	Mark McLaughlin
26	Wayne Gunn
27	Steven Nougher
36	Adam Warner
37	Anthony McClean

Kangaroos Team List

Umpire - Mark Stocker

Number	Name
1	Cameron Douglas
2	Daniel Overeem
3	Mitchell Douglas
4	Col Daye
5	Marshall Douglas
6	Patrick Walton
8	Lynden Cini
9	Ian Leys
12	Daniel Ray
13	Luke Robinson
14	Lachlan Morrison
15	Ryan Painter
17	Ben Kennedy
20	Daniel Johnson
21	Chris Spencer
22	Richard Wales
23	Brad Snowden

Number	Name
26	Ben Coombes
28	Michael Filosi
29	Ian Clements
30	Andrew Hawkins
31	Tim Cotter
32	Mitchell Penberthy
34	Stephen Laub
35	David Richards
36	Neil McLean
37	Paul Tapper
38	Vincent Woodgate
41	Ben Reyne
42	Jim Guilfoyle
43	Tony Bishop
44	Stuart Hawke
45	Duane Shawcross
48	Drew Murden
50	Mark Barrow

PLAYERS

CODE OF CONDUCT

Play by the rules – the rules of your Club and the laws of the game.

Attend training sessions and matches at times advised by the Club. If unable, for a valid reason to do so, players will inform the club as soon, as is practical.

Act respectfully toward the officials and players of their own opposing Clubs.

Respect and follow the directions of coaching staff, match and club officials.

Treat all players with respect, as you would want them to treat you.

Act respectfully towards match officials at all times. Abusive language is unacceptable.

Avoid individual or collective behaviour, which may reasonably be held by spectators to be offensive.

Avoid all acts likely to incite spectators to violence or disorder.

Make no detrimental statements in public (radio, television, print or electronic media) in respect to the performance of any match officials, players, or any policy decisions of the Club or the Tamworth AFL.

Abide by the By-Laws, (Rules & Regulations) and the Competition Rules of the Tamworth AFL.

Respect the facilities and equipment of their own and opposing Clubs.

Do not use remarks based on race, religion, gender or ability as many such comments are politically incorrect and it is your coach, team-mates, Club and family that are let down with such remarks.

PARENTS & SUPPORTERS CODE OF CONDUCT

Remember that you are for there for the participants to enjoy the game.

Encourage participation, but don't force it.

Teach that enjoyment is more important than winning.

Never ridicule mistakes or losses. Supporters are there to support not downgrade.

Lead by example and respect all players, coaches, umpires, administrators and spectators. Physical or verbal abuse will not be tolerated.

Recognise all volunteers who give up their valuable time.

Never publicly criticise umpires, rather raise personal concerns with club officials in private.

Do not use remarks based on race, religion, gender or ability as many such comments are politically incorrect and it is your coach, team-mates, Club and family that are let down with such remarks.

Respect the facilities and equipment of their own and opposing Clubs.

Do not engage in physical and/or verbal intimidation, abuse or conduct toward any player, official, umpire or supporter. Such actions are totally unacceptable.

Condemn the use of violence in any form, whether it is by spectators, coaches, officials or players.

Abusive language is unacceptable.

COACHES CODE OF CONDUCT

Set a good example and display utmost honesty and integrity in all dealings.

Teach fair play and good sportsmanship.

Never place the value of winning above that of instilling the highest possible ideals and character.

Be reasonable in demands, setting goals and expectations at an attainable level.

Maintain a current knowledge of the rules of the game.

Teach and interpret the laws of the game to the players.

Never ridicule players.

Respect the rights, dignity and worth of all individuals within the context of my involvement in Australian Football, including refraining from any discriminatory practices on the basis of race, religion, ethnic background, or special ability/disability.

Encourage and create opportunities to develop individual as well as team skill.

Ensure that all players understand the importance of regular attendance at training and positive attitude at training and that team selection throughout the season, including the finals, may be influenced by their training attendance and attitude.

Ensure that injured players are given prompt and competent medical attention and that doctor's orders are strictly adhered to.

Endeavour to keep informed regarding sound principles of coaching and skill development and of factors relating to the welfare on my players.

Display and teach appropriate sporting behaviour, ensuring that players understand and practise fair play.

Display and foster respect for umpires, opponents, coaches, administrators, other officials, parents and spectators.

Abide by the By-Laws, (Rules & Regulations) and the Competition Rules of the Tamworth AFL.

Do not engage in physical and/or verbal intimidation, abuse or conduct toward any player, official, umpire or supporter. Such actions are totally unacceptable.

Respect the facilities and equipment of their own and opposing Clubs.

Make no detrimental statements in public (radio, television, print or electronic media) in respect to the performance of any match officials, players, or any policy decisions of the Club or to the Tamworth AFL.

ADMINISTRATORS CODE OF CONDUCT

Involve others in planning, leadership, evaluation and decision making related to Australian Football.

Create pathways for people to participate and develop through the sport not just as players but also as coaches, umpires and administrators.

Ensure equipment and facilities are safe and appropriate to the ability of the participants.

Establish that qualified and competent coaches and officials capable of developing appropriate sports behaviour and specific skill technique provide adequate supervision.

Help coaches and officials highlight appropriate behaviour and skill development and help improve the standards of coaching and officiating.

Assist all participants in Australian Football to know and understand the rules.

Set a conduct example for others to follow.

Make it clear that abusing people in any way is unacceptable and will result in disciplinary action.

Respect the rights, dignity and worth of every person.

Make no detrimental statements in public (radio, television, print or electronic media) in respect to the performance of any match officials, players, or any policy decisions of the Club or to the Tamworth AFL.

Do not engage in physical and/or verbal intimidation, abuse or conduct toward any player, official, umpire or supporter. Such actions are totally unacceptable.

Always respect the use of facilities and equipment provided.

Ensure on and off the field behaviour is consistent with the principles of good sportsmanship.

Ensure all parents, coaches, sponsors, administrators, officials, medical staff and players, understand their responsibilities regarding fair play in sport.

OFFICIALS CODE OF CONDUCT

Display fairness and uniformity in applying the rules.

Be honest in your assessment of situations.

Be consistent and courteous in calling all infractions.

Condemn deliberate fouls as being unsporting and promote fair play and appropriate sports behaviour.

The health and safety of the players must be the most important reason to be weighed in during the decision making process.

Use common sense to ensure the 'spirit of the game' for players is not lost by being too pedantic when applying the rules.

Be a positive role model in behaviour and personal appearance.

Ensure you remain up to date with any rule changes and/or interpretation of the rules as laid down by the AFL.

Seek continual self-improvement through study, performance appraisal and regular updating of competencies.

Do not engage in physical and/or verbal intimidation, abuse or conduct toward any player, official, umpire or supporter. Such actions are totally unacceptable.

Last Round's Results

Round 12

Nomads 5-4-30 5-9-39 11-10-76 15-18-108

Cats 2-1-13 6-1-31 8-2-50 8-5-53

Nomads:

Goal Kickers: C. Dobos 4, M. Maxwell 3, A. Walsh 2, J. Frost 2, S. Trotman, J. Wright, K. Clayton, B. Page

Best Players: M. Maxwell, J. Frost, J. Reid, S. Trotman, K. Clayton, B. Page

Cats:

Goal Kickers: S. McAdam 4, J. Bower 2, A. Griffiths, R. Jordan

Best Players: A. Griffiths, S. McAdam, A. Warner, J. Bower, S. Mullane, G. Ellis

Saints 4-3-27 10-8-68 13-12-90 16-13-109

Swans 1-4-10 4-5-29 8-10-58 9-14-68

Saints:

Goal Kickers: B. Ryan 6, J. Gobbert 3, J. Kimmince 3, P. Heath 2, F. Hughes, M. Viney

Best Players: D. Corcoran, B. Ryan, B. Lee, G. Hadland, N. Baird, M. Corley

Swans:

Goal Kickers: M. Firth 4, G. Knee 2, C. Shave, J. McKenzie, T. Brown

Best Players: T. Jones, J. McKenzie, M. Firth, L. Rowling, D. Wendt, G. Knee

Bulldogs 3-2-20 4-3-27 9-6-60 12-9-81

Kangaroos 4-3-27 8-7-55 9-11-65 14-17-101

Bulldogs:

Goal Kickers: S. Higgins 4, J. Bee-Gill 2, F. Lamb 2, M. Ewington, D. Vidovic, S. McVittie, J. Hack

Best Players: P. Brown, P. Chapman, S. Higgins, S. Naismith, J. Edwards, A. George

Kangaroos:

Goal Kickers: G. Akeroyd 3, P. Walton 3, M. Barrow 2, C. Douglas 2, T. Cotter, D. Ray, A. Cruickshank, M. Douglas

Best Players: P. Tapper, C. Douglas, L. Robinson, S. Hawke, C. Young, T. Cotter

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Consulting Engineers



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COUNTRY ENERGY TAFL LEADING GOAL KICKERS

NAME	GOALS	CLUB
Mick Viney	42	Saints
Gavin Knee	38	Swans
Dean Hoy	37	Swans
Weston Whitby	33	Nomads
Dan Overeem	33	Kangaroos
Farran Lamb	32	Bulldogs
Pat Walton	29	Kangaroos
Shane Higgins	29	Bulldogs
Peter Heath	24	Saints
Stuart McAdam	23	Cats