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# **Great Southern River Murray**



















Strathalbyn Football Club





Saturday 12th June 2010

Strathalbyn Oval



### GSFL President- Gordon Tonkin

Welcome to our neighbours & friends from the River Murray League for our annual interleague clash which showcases the best players from our respective Leagues. These matches are always a great spectacle played in good spirit. For all players (win or loose) the pride & honor of representing your League and the opportunity to play alongside your peers from opposing clubs is an experience akin to playing in a Grand Final.

Inter-league football provides a great opportunity for Junior & Senior Players alike to demonstrate their individual talents to our respective SANFL Clubs (South Adelaide & Sturt) and can often result in opportunities with those clubs at the next level. In addition for our Senior Players it is also the stepping stone for participation in the SA Country Championships through their Zone. Congratulations to all players selected to play today, enjoy the experience, the rewards that follow and good luck with your football careers.

To all the visitors & supporters we hope you enjoy the spectacle and the GSFL hospitality together with the opportunity to catch up with family & friends you may not get to see on a weekly basis. We also hope you find some of the history and information in this publication of interest and that you will continue to support inter-league football in the years to come.

Our sincere thanks to Andrew Batten & the Strathalbyn Football Club for hosting today, all the lead up preparations for the GSFL, and in particular to all those behind the scenes that have contributed to showcasing our League and making it such a great day. We are also indebted to Coaches, Trainers and all the support persons who have assisted with teams and game day operations in so many ways – on behalf of the GSFL, thank you.

We would also like to take this opportunity to thank Mike O'Hara & the River Murray Football League Executive & Officials for their assistance, participation, support & friendship over many years. Whilst the landscape continues to change in so many areas of Community Football, Zones & Leagues (which in turn has the potential to impact on inter-league arrangements) the GSFL will always value the relationship & bond between our Leagues, regardless of future directions.

Enjoy the football, the day and congratulations to all the winners.

Mitch Portlock always in the thick of the action. Look out for him, the ball seems to want to be where he is.



This is the 10th year of the West End Cup (A Grade), Sturt Shield (Under 17 1/2) and South Sheild (Under 15) Previously these were the Lovelock Shield, Croser Shield and Parker Sheild respectively

This is the 11th meeting of these two Associations in this format.

Great Southern F. L.

July

2nd—ZONE FOOTBALL

AUGUST

15th - MINI COLTS CARNIVAL @ Encounter Bay

September

- MAIL MEDAL COUNT
- JUNIOR MEDAL COUNT

18th—GRAND FINAL @ Langhorne Creek

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### River Murray President—Mick O'Hara

The RMFL face a strong tough opponent in the Great Southern Football League, The River Murray have been about the mark in the past two years and we have picked a young emerging group of players that want to represent our League.

I was fortunate enough to represent the RMFL on a number of occasions and I still remain close mates with the players and opponents that I played with at the time and that's what happens when you play representative football. It is an honour to represent your league.

There will be young players from both sides that get an opportunity to progress to the zone teams and then be selected for the SA country team that plays in Canberra in a few weeks.

It's always a great day at Strathalbyn for both leagues and I wish good luck to both teams.

Members of each team, whilst this week- in July. end playing for their respective leagues, will will be eligible to play get the chance to play for the South East in even higher grades of football. Zone foot- Southern Players, if ball is played in the Riverland this year

over the first weekend

River Murray players Zone and the Great selected can play for the Southern Zone

River Murray last won the West End Cup in 2003 with a score line of 13—9 to Great Southern 11—11



### River Murray F. L.

### August

22nd - UNDER 13 CARNIVAL

Jervois Football Oval

23rd - JUNIOR MEDAL COUNT

Ramblers Football Club

### September

6th - MAIL MEDAL COUNT

Imperials Football Club (to be confirmed)

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Dylan Hogarth (Tailem Bend)-Has won the award as the best U/21 player in the competition for the last two years and is still eligible for this year's award, pacy on baller with an aggressive approach, comes from a lower down the ladder team and has to work hard every









A couple of interesting things;

42.7 percent of all statistics are made up on the spot.

If you think nobody cares, try missing a couple of payments



### Men Behind The Team

Great Southern A Grade Football team for the past two years and is one man who knows what is required to win Association games.

Smith came to play and coach at Strathalbyn over 30 years ago and right away he made an impact on not just the Strathalbyn Football Club, but the association.

Smith led Strathalbyn A grade to premiership success and also gave the Great Southern it first taste of Lovelock Shield success.

A tough onballer who led from the front. Smith demanded discipline and received it back by players who loved playing for him and what he  $\mathsf{P}$ eter Maxfield is a Selector of the GSFL side represented.

next generation of footballers and showing them that there is a way to play a higher standard of football without venturing to the SANFL and that what country football is all about. is to play Association football

field.

Personal Achievements- Won five Mail Medals, very deep thinker. a few premierships and a couple of Lovelock Maxfield was an athletic half back whose durabil-Shields.

Opinion on Talent on the GSFL? Outstanding talent in the league.

cess.

How Many Games Approx-25 years in football Where You Played- Junior football at SANFL and 300+ games.

What are you doing now besides selecting-Retired and follow football closely.

Greg Whittlesea like Brenton Smith has been a selector since 2009 and is one of the most decorated country footballers to come from the Great Southern.

Whittlesea won a Magarey Medal while he played for his beloved Double Blues and remembers fondly playing State of Origin games with and against the best footballers ever to be able to put on a boot. However, his love for the game has always been at the grassroots and is an integral member of the Yankalilla Football Club where he now coaches youngsters. Whittlesea is respected by all players in the GSFL and knows what is required to get the job done.

Where You Played - Yankalilla Junior and Senior Colts then went to Sturt through all the grades, played for Hawthorn in the AFL, played for Glenelg and finished my career at Yankalilla. Personal Achievements- 1988 Magarey Medal, seven State games, under 17 Sturt premiership,

Teal Cup (Underage state footy).

Opinion on Talent on the GSFL? Brilliant at Brenton Smith has been a Selector of the the moment, as the competition has depth and is of a very high standard.

> Richest Sporting Memory- State game at the MCG in front of 95,000 people. We were beaten, but it was an unreal experience playing against Lockett, Dunstall and Ablett representing Victoria. State of Origin football was brilliant.

> How Many Games Approx- 500+ games and still counting.

> What are you doing now besides selecting-Umpiring, coaching Yankalilla under 12s, Auskick and manage a beef and sheep farm at Myponga.

and along with Brenton Smith & Greg Whittlesea He is now helping with the development of the they are three of the most credentialed ever to be assembled to select an association team.

Maxfield has played around the state and knows

Playing successfully at Mount Compass and part Where You Played- Strathalbyn and Maccles- of the first Lovelock Shield win for Great Southern, Maxfield is studious about the game and a

ity and hardness upset many of the best forwards. Maxfield, with Smith and Whittlesea will complement the coaches Dennis and Hill to make Richest Sporting Memory- Having team suc- sure Great Southern selects the best possible Association side to hit the field this weekend.

> Woodville (U17, U19, Reserves), A Grade - Waikerie, Mount Compass, Willunga, Wisanger KI.

> Personal Achievements- A Grade Premierships - Mount Compass 1980, Willunga 1984,

> Lovelock Shield - 1979 to 1983 and best and fairest at Mount Compass A Grade 1981, & 1983. Opinion on Talent on the GSFL?

> Very good, which will be reflected in the Association Team selected.

> The standard of players, playing in the GSFL appears to be getting better each year.

Richest Sporting Memory-

Personally - Premierships and being apart of the first GSFL Lovelock Shield win.

Generally - America's Cup win (Alan Bond). I like seeing the underdog win.

How Many Games Approx- Unsure due to various clubs played at.

Approx 320 (Woodville 80, Waikerie 40, Mt Compass 140, Willunga 20, Wisanger KI 40).

What are you doing now besides selecting-Team runner for Mt Compass A Grade. Enjoy catching up with other clubs past players at football games and seeing their kids playing





Simon Dennis has made a huge impact on the Great Southern Football League since he first arrived as a player for Encounter Bay.

Dennis, as a coach has been one of the revelations with his quiet and methodical manner that has brought the best out of the players at the Goolwa/Port

Elliot Football Club and in 2009 was an assistant to Barry Pilmore at Association Level and Country Zone Championships at Port Pirie. Dennis is very respected by his peers and players listen to him. Steve Hill is assisting GSFL coach Simon Dennis and is players of the competition to reverse the trend. a man to be reckoned with at the great game. Hill



came into the Association in 2009 with a reputation of success after coaching Morphett Vale to numerous premiership successes. McLaren are on a winner with Hill who is a deep thinker and a developer of men and is the ideal coach to be in the box this weekend...

David Schenscher- Premiership Coach & Captain from the Imperial Football Club, In his 3<sup>rd</sup> year as Coach of the RMFL. Ha s suffered two narrow defeats and is pinning his faith in the young emerging player who loves the big games

GSFL Coach: Simon Dennis, Ass C. Steve Hill, Runners Damien Hart, Greg Whittlesea, Man. Peter Maxfield

RM Coach: David Schenscher, Ass Coach Jamie Gibbs, Runner Joel Eckermann, Manager Peter

#### GREAT SOUTHERN RIVER MURRAY S MCDONALD **B DOUGAL** 2 M TONKIN P O'NEIL 3 3 M BRAHAM H HODGE S MENEGEHETTI M ELLIOTT 5 5 BROWN A ECKERMAN 6 **C SIMMONS B QUAST B WOOLFORD** L O'NEIL © 8 M PORTLOCK M BRUNOLI J PRATT 9 R EYRE 10 10 D CUTHBERT T WAIT 11 11 S MAXFIELD D GIRDHAM 12 J PREST 12 L HARROWFIELD (VC) 13 K ZOHAR 13 S PFIEFFER 14 M HODGE 14 BEN QUINN 15 J WEYLAND 15 **M JAMES** 17 T BROWN 16 L BUTTON S MILBURN 17 C GIRADI 18 19 R CROCKFORD 18 S BRAUN 20 19 **B HASKETT** J THORPE 21 20 L RYAN **R VINEY**

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| Scores - Start 2.30pm |  |  |
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| 1st                   |  |  |
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| 3rd                   |  |  |
| 4th                   |  |  |



Last time these two teams met on this oval there was not a lot between them!

| LastYear             |  |  |  |
|----------------------|--|--|--|
| Great Southern -(18— |  |  |  |
| 14)                  |  |  |  |
| defeated             |  |  |  |
| River Murray (15-9)  |  |  |  |
| Head to Head         |  |  |  |
| GSFL 8 RMFL 2        |  |  |  |

J STANDFIELD

S BAULDERSTONE

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| 2007 GSFL: 21 – 25 RMFL: 13 – 8  |  |
|----------------------------------|--|
| 2006 GSFL: 26 – 14 RMFL: 11 – 7  |  |
| 2005 GSFL: 26 – 6 RMFL: 17 – 10  |  |
| 2004 GSFL: 25 – 16 RMFL: 13 – 19 |  |
| 2003 RMFL: 13 – 9 GSFL: 11 – 11  |  |
| 2002 GSFL: 13 – 9 RMFL: 9 – 8    |  |
| 2001 RMFL: 23 -16 GSFL: 4 -9     |  |
| 2000 GSFL: 19 – 10 RMFL: 15 – 12 |  |

M RANDER

A BUTTON

2008 GSFL: 14 - 16 RMFL: 15 - 9



### Under 15

Coach Ryan Bridges along with James Walsh (Strathalbyn) have been working with this group of outstanding talent for quite a while now. Under the watchful eye of South Adelaide's Alex Burrows this

Great Southern. Coach: Ryan Bridges, Ass C. James Walsh, Runner David Winn, Manager Kym Sewell

team is primed for the challenge in front of them today. Runner David Winn and Team Manager Kym Sewell top of the team that is looking to keep up the **Under 15's unbeaten run against River Murray to take** the record to 11 in a row.

River Murray Coach: Tim Cobbledick, Ass C. Scott Meneghetti, Rnr. Joel Eckerman, Man. John Parmenter

#### **GREAT SOUTHERN** RIVER MURRAY T EKERS-BROADBENT **S BIDDLE C PETERS** S SANDERS 3 3 **B HEASLIP** A PRATT T LARCOMBE R GALORITA **B FITZGERALD J ALTMANN** 8 B FISHPOOL **D BARRY** R FLETCHER **D HOLLITT** 8 10 D CAMAC **C GARLETT** 11 **BALTUS B DAHLITZ** 12 L BARTLETT 10 T PROSSER 13 H TRIGG 11 **R MARLES** 14 R COLWELL 12 J HEIN (C) 15 T WATSON 13 A HALL 16 **S LAVERS** 14 **D WILSON** 17 **B MURRAY** 15 M AUSTIN 18 K LINDNER (C) 16 **WANGUS** 19 B CLARKE (VC) 17 T STEGMEYER 20 N LAWRIE 18 R CAPES 21 19 T REED J WEBB 22 20 F NISSEN **D** ALDRIDGE 23 D HOURIGAN (DVC) 21 M NOYF 24 **C HOUGHTON** 22 M MCKECHNIE 25 **R KLEINIG** 23 L WARLAND

Last Year
Great Southern (16—6)
defeated
River Murray(5—4)
Head to Head
GSFL 10 RMFL 0

2008 GSFL: 13 – 6 RMFL: 7 – 5 2007 GSFL: 12 – 10 RMFL: 2 – 3 2006 GSFL: 7 – 8 RMFL: 4 – 7 2005 GSFL: 12 – 13 RMFL: 2 – 4 2004 GSFL: 9 – 8 RMFL: 4 – 5 2003 GSFL: 11 – 10 RMFL: 2 – 5 2002 GSFL: 6 – 6 RMFL 3 – 3 2001 GSFL: 11 – 12 RMFL: 7 – 12 2000 GSFL: 5 – 4 RMFL: 3 - 4

| Scores—Start 11:00am |  |  |  |  |
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| 4th                  |  |  |  |  |



Marc Elliott in full flight for Strathalbyn, Marc is currently 3rd on the goal GSFL kicking table, after a 10 goal haul last weekend, with 36 for the 2010 season.

The early bird may get the worm, but the second mouse gets the cheese in the trap.



### Under 17

First time Association Coach Rob Clarke, from Langhorne Creek, assisted by his club offsider, Brenton Shapter, bring a dynamic to the Under 17 team that should be able to bring home the goods. With Team

Great Southern Coach Rob Clark, AC. Brenton Shapter, Runner Damien James, Manager Neville Miller

Manager Jamie Molling, McLaren and Runner Damien James this should give Coordinator Neville Miller, himself finding a new job with the 17s this year, stepping up from the 15s role that he has had for many years, something to smile about. The group has come together nicely and you should see some handy foot-

River Murray Coach: Mark Brown, Ass Coach Kym Schenscher Runner Craig Fidge, Man. Ryan Hansen

#### **GREAT SOUTHERN** RIVER MURRAY J ASHTON-PLACE **J KOCH** C BALAS A HILL 5 **J HAYES** 3 L BUTLER 6 X LARCOMBE M MAWE L DUFFILL J LIENERT 8 **S TONKIN M LEWIS A MCFARLANE D MOLNAR** 10 **J GRAHAM B GOMMERS** 11 **R MATTNER J MALE** 12 **J MESECKE** 10 T HOWSON 13 **B SHAW** T KLUSKE 11 14 D WARREN 15 D HORAN 12 **J SCHELLEN** 16 A STEIMANIS 13 T PROSSER 17 J HOURIGAN (VC) 14 **G ROBINSON** 18 T SHAPTER (C) 15 **B HERMANN** 19 **J BAKER** 16 K DUELL 20 **M THOMAS** 17 **B WARD** 21 J DOE 18 S DEMICHELLE 22 M ABBOTT 19 **J THORPE** 23 D WENHAM 20 S SAMBLICH 24 H SEWELL 21 L DEMICHELLE 25 T PINYON 22 **S CAMPBELL** 29 **B THOMAS** 23 30 A CLEGGETT B GOGEL (C)

Last Year
Great Southern (9—5)
defeated by
River Murray (16—11)
Head to Head
GSFL 6 RMFL 4

| 2008 GSFL: 21 – 8 RMFL: 14 – 12       |
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| 2007 RMFL: 13 – 10 GSFL: 10 – 12      |
| 2006 GSFL: 22 – 19 RMFL: 5 – 5        |
| 2005 GSFL: 18 – 7 RMFL: 9 – 6         |
| 2004 GSFL: 21 – 9 RMFL: 7 – 10        |
| 2003 RMFL: 9 – 7 GSFL: 9 – 6          |
| 2002 GSFL: 5 – 10 RMFL: 3 – 6         |
| 2001 RMFL: 9 – 11 GSFL: 7 – 11        |
| 2000: RMFL: 16 <b>–</b> 5 GSFL: 7 - 5 |

Light travels faster than sound. That's why some people appear bright until you hear them speak.

| Scores | cores—Start 12:30pm |  |  |
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# Great Southern Netball Jill May Carnival

Great Southern Netball Association Representative Teams were up at the crack of dawn on Sunday May 2<sup>nd</sup> for their very own carnival. This carnival which is held in memory of Mrs Jill May an outstanding contributor to the GSNA provides a great starting point for our teams in the preparation for the upcoming Woodside carnival and the much awaited Country Championships held at ETSA Park over the June Long Weekend.

20 Teams assembled from the Wood Panthers Netball Club, Southern Hills Netball Association, Great Southern Netball Association, Mid Hills Netball

Association, Cougars, St Mary's College and Ladybirds.

All teams started extremely well and the perfect weather conditions for the day made for great skills and a very high standard of netball.

All GSNA coaches were under pressure to live up to the high standard of last year's success, which had seen our 3 teams in the finals with 2 victors. This was our first carnival playing together as a team.



## Players to watch in the River Murray side

Liam O'Neil (Ramblers) - 2008 Mail Medallist - emerging stars of the competition, having a Southern Districts & SE Murray representative-still young in years but the veteran having played the most representative games in the team, in and under player who loves the big games.

Tyson Wait (Imperials)- 2009 Mail Medallist-SE Murray representative, can play in defence or the midfield, came from the West Coast via Port Adelaide, very smooth mover with a penetrating kick.

Ben Dougal (Ramblers)-U/19 World Cup winning cricketer, 12th man for the Redbacks in the last Sheffield Shield game, a clever crumber who averages three goal a game, can read the play and sharks the ball cleverly off the packs.

Adam Eckerman (Mypolonga)-One of the

ON THE FORESHORE

stellar season, currently leading the "Player of the Year" award in the RMFL.

Luke Button (Ramblers)- SE Murray representative, State country representative at last Australian Country championships, Centre half back returning to his home Club from Sturt, strong in the air and quick on his feet. Mathew Brunoli (Meningie) - From Tea Tree Gully, first year in the RMFL, strong player and he has given the Meningie Bears a huge lift with his presence in and around the packs Steven Braun (Jervois)-A young defender who always has to take the oppositions best forward, he is cool under pressure and is improving each time he steps out. His third year as a RMFL representative.

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