



# NEWSLETTER SEASON 2009

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### Dear PJFC Members,

You will have received a general announcement email from Club President Andy Miller this week. A summary of the key important dates are outlined in the general news section below.

Plus, have a night off cooking this Friday night and feed the family at the Pasta Bolognaise Night, which will be available in the Club rooms from 5.00pm.

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### GENERAL NEWS

#### FRIDAY NIGHT BAR & BBQ ROSTER

The Friday night Bar & BBQ roster for each team.

- 24 July - U13
- 31 July - U15
- 7 August - U9 Blue

#### COMMITTEE MEETING

The next general Committee Meeting will be held on Wednesday 29 July at 7.00pm at the Orrong Hotel. All welcome.

#### ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The AGM will be held on Wednesday 19 August. Every member is welcome although an RSVP is required by Friday 7th August for catering purposes. Please forward AGM RSVP emails to Club Secretary, Vicki Marshall at [marshallv@ozemail.com.au](mailto:marshallv@ozemail.com.au). Do note that nominations for the 2010 Club President close on Friday 7 August.

#### ANNUAL PRESENTATION DAY

Sunday 6 September at Toorak Park.

#### 2010 REGISTRATION

Our registration process and timeline will be announced in the next few weeks. Pay attention and don't miss the deadlines for the 2010 season.

#### MSJFL FIXTURES

View the MSJFL 2009 fixtures at [www.msjfl.com.au](http://www.msjfl.com.au).

### PASTA NIGHT

## PASTA BOLOGNAISE NIGHT

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AFTER TRAINING

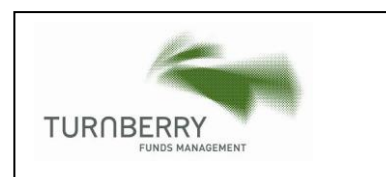


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PASTA BOLOGNAISE  
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Available in the Club rooms from 5.00pm  
onwards.

### TURNBERRY PRIVATE EQUITY FUND UNDER 9 BLUE MATCH REPORT



#### Turnberry Private Equity Fund U9 Blues v Dingley

Prahran	1. 1	4. 2	4. 4	6. 4	40
Dingley Gold	0. 0	0. 3	1. 0	3. 4	22

#### Goal kickers:

Oliver Jackson 2, Angus Hanrahan 1, Travis Harrison 1, Tommy Hayes 1, Jethro O'Connor 1.

Better players: Mitch Hallam, Toby Yeats, Oliver Jackson, Peter Goff, Lachie Puls, Andrew Chirside, Angus Hanrahan, Tommy Hayes,

Alexander Psalidas, James Rowbottom, Spencer Wells, Jethro O'Connor

### **Match report prepared by Graeme Yeats (father of Toby)**

The 'mighty' Blues turned up on Sunday in ripping shape and were as sharp early as Jim Hallam's new buzz cut.

The Blues won the toss and kicked to the scoring end but the real controversy started there as captain Toby Yeats ran to the interchange bench to start the game.

Both teams worked very hard in the tough conditions and the sure ball handling Blues were being tested, but the stoic Blues defence led by James Lavelle, Lachie Puls and Hugo Carson repelled every entry with gusto.

Gun midfielder Andrew Chirnside threw himself on the boot to smother an opponents kick but came off second best and was stretchered off the ground with a sore head, but his actions typified the Blues team competitive spirit. The fwd line looked dangerous when James Rowbottom marked strongly to get the Blues off the duck and they were away. Lucas Pike was lively at the foot of every pack and Tommy Hayes was looming large when the ball came into his area.

Travis Harrison showed his cheeky skills in the forward line taking the ball off the grubber from James Rowbottom kick for goal.

Spencer Wells also was injured in the first term with his courageous attack on the ball. The blues led 1-2 to 0-0 at qtr time

Jim Hallam's message was to share the ball around and kick it long to the hot spot when possible. The changes continued thick and fast as players were rotated with precision off the bench.

The key move was Mitch Hallam into the midfield and Maxy Mariner to half back. It had an immediate impact as they continually won possession and launched many attacks. Peter Goff the find of the season dominated in the ruck and his midfield rallied around him with grit and determination showed by Will Grimwade, Dylan Ida and Alex **Psalidas** all winning plenty of the ball.

Reilly Harrick roamed dangerously in the back line with pocket rocket while Simone Finnegan mopping up anything that hit the ground with Tom Spargo having a red hot go. Some wizardry and skill from Angus Hanrahan who spun out of a pack and goaled had the team full of confidence as they won the qtr and went in 3-3 to 0-3 at the long break

At the half a fired up Jim Hallam warned his players not to get ahead of themselves as they tucked into the delicious oranges on offer.

The boys heeded his advice and maintained control in the 3<sup>rd</sup> with their unrepentant run and attack on the ball. The boys withstood a fired up Dingley who threw everything at the Blues during the qtr. Sarah Lavelle entered the fray and was immediately in the action along with Travis Harrison and Rory O'Connor who were consistent contributors right from the start, Jethro soared over the pack, marked and goaled on the siren to keep the momentum with the Blues. Dylan Ida found his way to the ball.

In a low scoring dour affair the Blues were still on top 4-5 to 1-4 with Dingley kicking with a strong breeze in the last.

The Dingley boys jumped out of the blocks with 2 quick goals and looked very dangerous as the screws were applied to the Blues. This was going to test the boys resolve but they answered with back to back goals and the catalyst was the dominant force of Oliver Jackson who stood tall to tip the scales back in the favor of the Blue boys.

It was one of the more masterly coaching performances from Jim this year as he strategically pulled the strings from the sidelines to orchestrate another great win!!

Well done guys on a great 'TEAM' game again.

### **Coach's comment**

Graeme thanks for the pumping of the tyres.

Yes the placing of Toby Yeats on the bench was not for disciplinary reasons but rather it meant that he had three quarters in a row.

Toby improved from his best game for the year last week and showed that he knew where the hot spot was.

Whilst I was not at the Dingley Black's first game where we won 70 to nil, my prior year's experience suggested that they (as do most u/9 teams) would show great improvement from playing a full year of footy – they did not fail to deliver. Fortunately our team took these comments on board and had a great contest during the game.

Our thanks to Mike O'Connor as team manager who seamlessly slipped back into the role of the team manager from the family's overseas jaunt.

Our congratulations to the umpire who showed the benefit of his experience – I would like to encourage parents to take advantage of the league's efforts to also give the inexperienced umpires a chance to enjoy a key role in footy.

Our congratulations to Mitch Hallam, Angus Hanrahan, James Rowbottom and Nic Bartlett (and their respective parents) who played for the u/11 Blues' win at mid day. Our continued thanks to Nic Nuske (u/11s Blues coach) and Tim Hanrahan (u/11 Blues team manager) for giving our players the opportunity to develop their footy and enjoy some of the other benefits of being with a great club.

Our thanks to the Prahran Football Club to provide the opportunity for our u/9 and u/10 players to have a chance to play on the big stage on Saturday 18 July – special thanks to Steve Zayler for organizing the u/10s players and also umpiring the game.

We look forward to the lightning premiership this week – who knows what will happen.

## UNDER 9 BLACK MATCH REPORT

### U9 Black v Hampton Rovers

Prahran Blacks	5	12	42
Hampton Rovers	1	0	6

### Prahran Blacks complete the season undefeated!

#### Goals:

Jonty Lupson (3), Hugo Wood-Freeman (1), Robert Hinrichsen (1)

#### Best Players:

Jonty Lupson, Nick Perkins, Harry Tighe, Hugo Wood –Freeman, Charlie Hanrahan, Jacob Malich, Sebastian Francis, Charlie Coleman

#### Awards:

Coach's Award: Charlie Hanrahan  
 Shepherding: Robert Hinrichsen  
 First Ins: Sebastian Francis  
 1%: Nick Perkins  
 Bumping: Oscar Faulkner  
 Playing in Position: Hugh McFarlane

### Match Report

So it boiled down to this, the question of whether the Prahran Blacks could remain undefeated for the season came down to four quarters against the mighty Hampton Rovers in the only return match of the season. After a false start at Castlefield reserve the team moved on to settle in at the Boss James reserve where the boys warmed up and let off some of the nervous energy that a pressure match can bring. The team was highly confident of success, particularly after some great wins in recent weeks with undermanned teams and having easily accounted for the Rovers in the first match of the season. The team was

welcoming back some regulars and the team on paper looked a very strong Prahran side indeed.

In his pre-game speech Andy wanted the Prahran boys to play in front, to be first in and to be hungry for the ball. He wanted the boys to play on whenever possible, to run and carry and to kick long when they had the ball. This pep talk worked wonders as the boys emulated the coach's request to a tee throughout the match.

The captain of the day **Oscar Faulkner** with Vice Captain **Finn Stephens** won the toss and chose to kick with the wind in the first quarter.

#### First Quarter

Prahran Blacks	2	8	20
Hampton Rovers	No Score		



The first quarter commenced with possibly the smallest player on the field, **Nick Perkins**, contesting and winning the ruck, setting the tone for the rest of the quarter where the game was mostly played in Prahran's half. Our boys scored, albeit a behind, with the first passage of play after the ball was carried from the centre without the Rovers touching the ball - **Sebastian Francis** cleared the ball from the centre with a thumping kick (his dominance a telling factor in the centre square for the first quarter), which **Harry Tighe** marked, effortlessly, at centre half forward and moved the ball on quickly. **Charlie Coleman** gathered the ball at full forward with sublime ease (Brisbane's Jared Brennan like) and his snap for goal unfortunately bounced the wrong side of the post. Two more points followed to great roving from **Hugo Wood-Freeman** and a Daicos-esque dribbler from the boundary line by **Jonty Lupson**. **Jonty** was first to thread one through the big sticks

with a terrific effort from a ball-up in the forward pocket - **Jonty** grabbed the ball from the ruck, played on and weaving through the pack kicked the first goal of the game in a display of brilliant evasive skills. **Sebastian** continued to clear from the centre and **Charlie Coleman** continued to present a big target up forward.

When the Rovers did manage on a couple of times to cross the centre line they met stiff resistance from **Will Blackwell** and **Jacob Malich**, who's free flowing runs from half back were a highlight of the game. **Nick Perkins** and **Charlie Hanrahan** were providing great run through the centre. **Harry Tighe** was displaying both great courage (crashing through huge packs) and significant dash (taking a couple of bounces for the quarter). **Marcus Jones**, **Austin Dalgleish** and **Finn Stephens** were very busy up forward, but the Prahran boys were mostly off target. After our boys had been peppering the goals without luck, it was **Jonty** again, who kicked the second goal of the game from the goal square after some great play up-field by **Sebastian** and **Hugo**. At quarter time our boys were well on top, but the real question was whether their profligacy in front of goal with the wind would prove costly. What would happen when the Rovers had the wind?

#### Second Quarter

Prahran Blacks	2	10	22
Hampton Rovers	No Score		

The second quarter would bring great defensive efforts and some stellar attacks by our boys. Whilst the game on the field had levelled out with equal amount of the ball in both forward lines, the blacks were the only team to again trouble the scorers. We continued our dominance out of the centre with **Nick Perkins** and **Charlie Hanrahan** stepping up a gear to counteract the wind advantage. **Harry Tighe** and **Charlie Coleman** continued their good form from the first quarter. **Hugo Wood-Freeman** was causing havoc on the ball and proving very dangerous up forward. He was first to score in the second quarter with a poster after some terrific work from **Jonty** and **Austin Dalgleish**. Our forward line was working overtime - **Hugh MacFarlane** was making his presence felt across half forward with some great marks and kicks; **Josh Start**, **Harry Fox** and **Jad Tabet** were putting enormous pressure on the Rovers backline helping to lock the ball in the forward line. **Jonty** was next to score, also hitting the post, from a tight angle in the forward pocket.

There were fantastic defensive efforts all round the team. **Jacob Malich** was proving impassable at centre half back, **Max Hanrahan** and **Robert Hinrichsen** were putting their bodies on the line on numerous occasions with great bumps and shepherds. In one Rovers forward thrust towards the end of the quarter that looked very dangerous, **James Maddox** stood firm.

Outnumbered three to one, he contested the marking contest, followed up the ball on the ground where it eventually went out of bounce allowing Prahran to get numbers back to the contest. By half time our boys were still well on top with the "true" undefeated season beckoning.

#### Third Quarter

Prahran Blacks	3	11	29
Hampton Rovers	No Score		

At half time a "very happy" Andy wanted the boys to capitalise on the wind advantage in the third quarter.



The third quarter started much the same as the first with the Prahran boys dominating the game without putting it on the scoreboard. Once again the third quarter was mainly played in Prahran's forward line. **Nick Perkins**, **Charlie Hanrahan**, **Harry Tighe**, **Jonty Lupson** and **Jacob Malich** were racking up the possessions. **James Holt** was providing a target up forward with some great marking. **Oscar Faulkner** had worked his way into the game and was providing some great drive from the centre. **Beau Sciberras** and **Blair Nuske** were working hard creating contests.

It was **Hugo Wood-Freeman** who finally capitalised on the good work up the ground with some great roving from a ball up in the forward pocket – threading his way through the pack he was able to kick the third goal of the game from close range. **Sebastian Francis** followed this up with some bullocking work through three packs where he lost and gathered the ball three times with his ensuing snap going wide under significant pressure from the Rovers backline.

At three quarter time the Prahran Blacks were still well on top.

#### Fourth Quarter

Prahran Blacks	5	12	42
Hampton Rovers	1	0	6

Rovers played a spirited last quarter and kicked their first goal of the game midway through. But Prahran were still very much in control of the game with great contributions from all players. **Jonty** kicked Prahran's fourth goal directly after the

Rovers goal after some great work by **Oscar Faulkner, Nick Perkins** and **Jacob Malich**. **Jack Cooper** and **Thomas Sutherland** were great contributors working hard all quarter. But it was **Robert Hinrichsen** who put the icing on the Prahran Black's season kicking the fifth and final goal after the siren from a fine mark in the goal square to give the boys a comfortable 36 point wink.

Congratulations boys on a fantastic season, played in the right spirit of fairness and fun, whilst showcasing your excellent football skills. Your undefeated record is well deserved. Well done!

THANK YOU to our official helpers Tim Fox, Fiona Hinrichsen, Gregor Malich, Anna Perkins, Chris Hanrahan, Peter Lupson and Jonathon Wood-Freeman.

Thank you to Jason Start for this week's match report.

## ZANUBA UNDER 9 RED MATCH REPORT

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### Zanuba U9 Reds v Beaumaris

To continue the tradition, an obscenely cold morning greeted the Zanuba reds for the final game of the year. Those who had flown north for the winter or been in the ski fields returned with glistening suntans as the new school term started. Some of the Friday night shenanigans of the mothers club appeared to have spilled over into Saturday night as some bleary eyed campaigners battled the inclement conditions and cursed the fact that they had left their snuggies at home. Endless media coverage ensured that a massive crowd of parents, grandparents, brothers, sisters, uncles, aunties, cousins, family friends and curious onlookers had gathered to bear witness to the legend that was to become the Prahran under 9 reds.

The sense of nerves amongst the faithful permeated Toorak Park but not so the 25 fine young men and women who so brilliantly represented their club in 2009. They looked sharp in the warm up and ready for a 12 game clean sweep. 3 James, 2 Edwards, 2 Olivers, 2 Jacks and a Jackson, 2 Toms, a Dick (Richie) and a Harry, Andrew, Ben, Fedele, Holly, Joe, Johnny, Liam, Max, Ned, Tim and William. Destiny was theirs for the taking.

The dynamic coaching duo of Hird and Sinclair assembled the players and displayed some of the

tactical brilliance that has become their trademark. The coach showed us a trick he had taught Matthew Lloyd many years ago by tossing a blade of grass into the air to see which way the wind was blowing. The results were somewhat inconclusive and captains Grey and Albrecht were sent into the middle for the toss with clear instructions to choose the end of their liking.

The first quarter was a torrid affair. James "Vander" Montague was acquitting himself well in the ruck as he battled the huge opposition ruckman and copped some low blows and Johnny Bate and Tom Hird were given instructions to run. Andrew Argyrou and Edward Knott combined for some early good work with the silky skills of Fedele Decampo on show as he drove the ball into the Prahran 50. Some great roving by Oliver Burke from some intricate James Mont ruckwork almost resulted in the first Prahran goal.

The twin towers of Harry Molnar and Joe McGuire were stoic in defence as the opposition bombarded their forward 50. A blistering start from Tom Hird with multiple possessions and a huge pack mark while Max Sinclair was running the opposition off their feet and showing us his skill at kicking around the corner. Tim Brend was dominating in the back half with clean ball handling and telling clearances. In an ominous sign, a refined version of James Mc minus the trademark birdsnest was running the lines and looking very dangerous. Holly Bate streamed out of the backline leaving the opposition in her wake while Jack Royale set a great example for the team by sprinting to the bench after a grueling first quarter.

The quarter closed with some fancy footwork from co-captain James Grey that almost ended in a goal, some fine work from Richie Basset with a mark and some good defensive pressure on the opposition and our first point from Liam Albrecht (who was convinced it was a goal).

The coach was satisfied with the first quarter but scores were tight and everyone could sense that we were yet to see the best of Prahran. As the second quarter commenced, the essence of this team emerged as further names added an extra dimension. Tom Sennitt with 36 emblazoned on his back and blonde locks flowing motored along the wing taking several bounces and Jack Cattnach chased down the opposition with the speed of a gazelle. Clearly all of the hotdogs that Harry Molnar had won in previous games were having little impact on his game as he busted open packs and sent thumping drop punts into the forward line. Tim Brend continued to emerge as a player of the future with several surges into the forward line and some great bustling in the goal square resulted in a sensational goal to Edward Royle. Jackson Catalano took on the fullback position with some raking kick-ins to Prahran's advantage

and Ned Kelliher started making his presence felt with some tough work at the clearances. The quarter finished with a Manassa like run down the wing by Jack Royale and a perfect pass to Johnny Bate, who once again showed us the art of taking a chestmark.

Things were all locked up at half time but the premierships quarter was yet to come and Prahran had gained a reputation as the third quarter specialists. We were not to be disappointed. In a game breaking moment, the old firm put their stamp on the game at the first bounce as Molnar tapped to McGuire, McGuire cleared to McMurrick and McMurrick took another speccy and goaled. Clearly earlier instructions from mum to play in front had been ignored as James Mc for the second time showed his preference for using his opponent as a step ladder and emulating the great Peter Knights (as opposed to his mother's preference for Bernie Quinlan).

The surge continued with further goals to James Mc and Harry Molnar, inspirational smothering from Joe McGuire and some tough work from Oliver Burke. All of a sudden, Prahran in typical game breaking style was 4 goals up. Liam Albrecht continued the hardman philosophy of this team with a great smother, Oliver Else flew high for a mark and William Luff provided some monster bombs into the middle when kicking out from fullback. The backline once again held strong and continued to repel the opposition with some standout efforts from Richie Bassett.

Things were looking good at 3 quarter time and the coaching staff decided to let the shackles off and give the side freedom to take the game on. Big man Jackson Catalano moved into the ruck where he had been so influential all season. Some great harassment from Ben Kolotsos resulted in a turnover while Oliver Burke continued to run hard as instructed by the coach. Holly Bate emulated her brother's marking skills in defence with a game saving effort much to mum's delight (who's your mamma). Edward Knott was an important part of the backline as he continually held the opposition up as they surged towards goal. The mosquito fleet of Max Sinclair and Ned Kelliher continued to get under the guard of the opposition.

A team defining moment came midway through the final quarter as the ball was moved swiftly down the wing resulting in a fabulous goal to Tim Brend, completing a great individual game for him. A few late goals to a valiant opposition closed the gap but Tom Hird typified the spirit of the team by taking a huge hit, shrugging off the assistance of the team doctor and driving the ball into the forward line (remind you of anyone?).

Victory, when it finally came, was sweet. Congratulations for an outstanding season to the team, coaching staff and all those that helped

make it such a memorable experience for all concerned. With the minor premiership in the bag, our attentions now turn to the lightening premiership next Sunday.

## ALTITUDE VOLVO-BRIGHTON UNDER 10 MATCH REPORT

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### Altitude Volvo-Brighton U10 v Caulfield

Prahran U10 4 – 4 – 28 defeated by  
Caulfield U10 5 – 4 – 34

**GOALS: Barber, Gray, James, Flanagan**

**BEST: Bennett, Bagia, James, Marsden, Watkin,  
Brearley, Faggetter, Cameron, Rowland**

Koornang Park can now be called our graveyard.

After a long succession of wins (11 in fact) the dream ended last Sunday going down to a fierce Caulfield outfit. To be fair we never really deserved to win the game. Caulfield played harder and cleaner footy throughout the game, the opposition telling me that it was the best they've played all season.

There was really only one goal we kicked that you could say came from clean football. In the second quarter, starting from the backline we had a chain of kicks and handballs that made its way untouched by the opposition to the forward. Hugh Flanagan finished off the hard work by taking a mark, playing on and slotting what was probably the Clive Peter's Goal of the Day. The other goals we kicked were hard fought. Hugo Gray ducked and weaved past the opposition backs to stroll in for our first major. Conor James marked a scrappy kick forward and kicked truly to register our third. And right at the end kicking the last snag of the game from a set shot Lachie Barber, who took a very good diving mark to set up the goal.

From the coaches perspective we didn't see the game as a negative. We dominated the 2<sup>nd</sup> term kicking three unanswered goals and had our chances in the second half to slot a few more goals but came up short against a very good backline. Caulfield blitzed it in the second half kicking five goals, a huge effort from them. Keeping that in mind though we thought our backs played pretty well.

Erick Bagia found himself a new lease of life in the backline having arguably his best game for the season from a team point of view. Angus Kiel toil

away all day attacking the ball. Hugo Watkin and Roscoe Tsiavis rebounded well out of the backhalf to set things up further down the field. Sam Cameron had a dozen possessions in the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter, working his bum off for the side. Tom Marsden attacked the footy well never giving the ball away cheaply. James Faggetter had a great last quarter having to battle in plenty of one on ones and even outnumbered at times.

**Coach's Note: In the end it was a sheer weight of numbers that caused the goals to be kicked against us. The backline can only do some much, they need the help up field when they rebound. We got smashed in the midfield and that is to put it nicely. We fumbled the ball on countless occasions and dropped a lot of marks, while Caulfield were grabbing everything in the air and on the ground. Our usual team play of getting back and helping out the defence was poor. We got drawn too far up forward and when Caulfield rebounded we were too far behind the play to get back and help.**

**Another part that fell down on the weekend and has been a bit of a struggle all this season is forwards playing in front. We have been getting away with it against teams that don't stop the rolling ball but we were really found out on the weekend. Their backs decided to attack the ball and we sat back watching. In footy terms this is called 'cheating', hoping the opposition will make a mistake rather than creating the play ourselves.**

For the awards this week we had a few stand out candidates. Sam Cameron had a mountain of the ball and was probably our best user of the leather hitting up targets through handball and kick. Oscar Bennett played a blinder in the first half on the wing always getting in the right position to get the ball, and then in the second half contributing well. Lachie Brearley was another one that had a solid match on the wing getting into the right spots to gather the pill. Tim Rowland is getting more and more confident with each game throwing his light frame around on the weekend causing plenty of contests. But the BOG last Sunday went to Hugo Watkin who rebounded well out of defence and on numerous occasions won contests when heavily outnumbered.

The Parent's Player of the Day went to a much deserved Lachie Brearley who has improved out of sight from last season.

So much focus is on the win/loss factor of a game. Against a barrage from the opposition we were very good to fight and end up only coming up 6 points down. Ed and I were very proud of the boys for all their efforts right up to the end of the game when we still could have salvaged a draw.

At training we will have a few members of the Prahran seniors coming down to do skill work with

hopefully most boys during training. It is a great opportunity to meet and get involved with the seniors of the club.

The coaches and Team Managers would like to thank parents and family for the support on the weekend in what turned out to be a very exciting game. You created great atmosphere.

Steve

## BROWN SUGAR UNDER 11 WHITE MATCH REPORT

# BROWN SUGAR

### Brown Sugar U11 White v Oakleigh Dragons

Prahran White	0.3	0.5	2.9	2.9.21
Oakleigh Dragons	0.0	1.0	3.0	4.1.25

### PRAHRAN RESOLUTE DESPITE SHATTERING LOSS

**First Quarter: Prahran 0. 3. 3. Oakleigh 0. 0. 0. Win toss and kick with a strong breeze. Forwards well held.**

This week on a bitterly cold, winter morning we prepared ourselves to make the long and intimidating trip to W A Scammell Reserve to come face to face with the fire breathing, Oakleigh Dragons team. We went into this game as underdogs even though our form in the last game may have suggested otherwise. For the players, this clash was being treated similar to a build up for a finals game with big stakes up for grabs. During the pre game speech the coach referred to the need to be ready from the first bounce as the opposition would come hard at us and attempt to assert their authority on the game early. The opposition did just that and came out fired up and showed us how well they can play on their home ground, where the centre area was muddy and the ground surface was heavy. Kicking with the aid of a strong breeze our boys were held intelligently by the opposition's tactics whereby they defended grimly using the dead pocket to bottle up the game. **Kieren Barber – Wilson** started brightly with a skilful run along the wing and his precise pass to **Matthew Kirkwood** allowed **Matthew** space to continue with his own run along the half forward flank. **Patrick Dillon** was able to create some space for himself and with a clever run he was able to have a shot at goal which narrowly missed for a behind. **Michael Pisker** also showed plenty of dash this quarter and he too narrowly missed with his long range shot at goal. **Laurence Seaholme, Sebastian Finnegan** and

**Nicholas Papageorgiou** were dominating the centre clearances and they continually drove the ball forward, kicking it into the dangerous positions up forward. To the oppositions credit they did defend well and the quarter was great tight uncompromising football with neither side giving an inch at any contest. . **Alexander Lowe** was looking lively up forward as he got on the end of a number of our forward attacks. **Connor O'Brien** was able to evade a would be tackler and spinning around on his trusty right foot he made space to have a kick at goal, unfortunately narrowly missing. 'This seemed to be the tone for the quarter as our opportunities to goal were limited and we were inaccurate in front of goal, kicking 3 behinds. Our defence was nevertheless great as it kept the opposition scoreless. The quarter ended with us leading by 3 points.

**Second Quarter: Prahran 0. 5. 5. Oakleigh 1. 0. 6. Defence heroic. Restrict opposition to 1 goal kicking with the breeze. Forwards inaccurate.**

Going to the quarter time huddle, the boys appeared to be showing resolve in their eyes knowing that in this second quarter we were going to be defending against a strong breeze and with only a small lead. The coach urged the team to lift and after making some positional changes, the team came out firing in the second quarter. Our defence which had played so valiantly continued its fine performance and **Jarrad Dousa** was particularly inspiring with his efforts to stop the opposition from scoring and constantly putting his body between the ball and his opponent.

**Laurence Seaholme** and **Oscar Don** continued winning the ruck duels and this set up a number of our smaller running players. **Laurence** ran himself into the ground this quarter and showed tremendous spirit to continue as he cleverly positioned himself across the half back line to take a number of marks. Our smaller players got involved in the game this quarter and **Lachlan Potts** was picking up a number of possessions with his harassment of the opposition and intelligent use of the ball. Whilst we defended grimly, sticking to the game plan and hugging the boundary line on every occasion, we did mount some meaningful attacks. **Matthew Kirkwood** made a blinding run along the wing and passed the ball to another speedster, **Kieren Barber – Wilson**, who in turn made a wonderful run deep into the forward pocket. **Kieren** kicked the ball at goal which fell tantalisingly short, whereby **Connor O'Brien** made a contest and won an important free kick. **Connor** kicking form almost an impossible angle narrowly missed a goal which would have been just reward for our efforts. The backline were heroic and none more than the hard hitting **Harry Veall** who was impassable at full back. **Harry** has stamped his authority in this position and has taken many scalps over the season to date. **Hutton Wells** was his typical energetic hard running self and his selfless acts to run to contests to assist a team-

mate were wonderful to watch. **Mark Spizzirri** was one player who was thriving in these conditions and his running down of opponents and creative use of the ball given the heavy going were inspiring his team-mates. **Sean Ida** was lively up forward as he positioned himself in the goal square and contested to keep the ball in our forward line. This quarter will be remembered as defining, showing the true spirit of our boys and their never say die attitude to withstand fierce pressure from the opposition and to continue with our focus in just wanting to win the ball at every contest. We finished the quarter in a blaze with **Michael Pisker** bombarding the ball a number of times deep into our forward line and eventually **Matthew Kirkwood** took a great overhead mark within kicking distance. **Mathew**, with a stiff breeze facing him, took his shot at goal as the siren sounded. Unfortunately his shot went the wrong side of the goal post. This again meant that we had ended the first half kicking inaccurately, however with our great defenders standing tall at half time we were down by only 1 point.

**Third Quarter: Prahran 2. 9. 21. Oakleigh 3. 0. 18. Great quarter. Lead by 3 points. Have to defend grimly in last quarter kicking into a gale force breeze.**

During the half time break the players sensed that they were right in this game. Had it not been for our inaccurate kicking at goal we would have been in front of the opposition as we had 5 scoring shots to their 1, albeit theirs was a goal. Due to the fierce nature of the contest and the relentless defence, the coach praised the boys for their efforts in remaining in the game. Whilst the second quarter did not bring us any goals it did bring us self belief and knowledge that our team has the resilience and strength to combat any obstacles. Again the coach sent the boys out with the words ringing in their ears to switch on early and play tight accountable footy to shut down the opposition. However, we were immediately stung into action when the opposition, using their extra number of players to advantage, kicked the first goal into the breeze. The coaching panel were now wondering whether this momentum shift would lead to our boys dropping their heads. We need not have feared, they responded like the great team they are. **Mark Spizzirri** chased down a loose ball along the half forward flank and he coolly ran closer to goal and kicked a wonderful long distance goal which immediately raised the team's spirits. **Michael Pisker** then showcased some of his skills to cleverly roving a loose ball and setting off on a long run during which he evades a tackle and having a shot at goal which narrowly misses. **Oscar Don** soon rectified our many misses at goal when he was able to get his hands on a loose ball and showing a coolness of head he weaved thru a pack of players and kicked a goal to set the game alight and get the supporters roaring with excitement. **Patrick Dillon** was

continuing his recent fine form and made a great handball to the hard running and never tiring **Sebastian Finnegan** out wide on the wing. **Sebastian** drove the ball forward and again our shot at goal missed for a point. Unfortunately in our efforts to look for that elusive third goal we were left exposed in our backline as we had only 16 players and the opposition were able to kick a second goal for the quarter. Again scoring shots favoured us 11 shots at goal to 3, however the oppositions were all goals. The quarter ended with us leading by 3 points.

**Final Quarter: Prahran 2. 9. 21. Oakleigh 4. 1. 25. Great defensive effort. Pipped at the post by last kick of the game.**

During the three quarter time break the boys were surprisingly up beat. Remembering the endeavour in the second quarter and the knowledge that our fitness levels were superior to any other team, we readied ourselves for one last effort to defend grimly against a strong breeze. The quarter began brilliantly with our defence magnificent. **Jarrad Dousa** in possibly a man of match performance was impassable along the half back line and his second and third efforts to contest were awe inspiring. **Alexander Lowe** was in everything at centre half back and he was repelling all opposition attacks. Our midfielders, **Matthew Kirkwood, Sebastian Finnegan** and **Michael Pisker** were working hard and helping our defence by pushing back in numbers. **Nicholas Papageorgiou** was constantly menacing with his fierce tackling and intelligent kicking of the ball whereby he was following the coach's instructions to kick along the boundary line. **Kieren Barber – Wilson** relieved some pressure off the backline again when he thrilled the crowd with a long run. **Lachlan Potts** and **Sean Ida** both played vital roles as they pushed up along the wing to present a lead and contest any loose balls. **Harry Veall** was asked to play further up the ground this quarter and he was able to exert his influence on the game with some bone jarring bumps. **Hutton Wells** was courageous at full back and he intelligently held his ground in the opposition goal square to thwart some dangerous attacks. The game was now on knives edge as our defence held firm against all the odds. We had allowed the opposition to score only one behind in 14 minutes of football and we were still in front by 2 points with 1 minute remaining. Unfortunately for the boys', the opposition were deep in their forward line and were able to kick a winning goal with seconds remaining in the game. Meaning we had lost the game.

**The Wrap:**

Whilst we ended up losing the game by 4 points, the boys who were naturally disappointed at the time, should feel extremely satisfied with their brave and courageous efforts to nearly hang on

against the odds and win. The supporters who attended would have witnessed a performance of special character and would have been delighted with the, 'never say die' attitude. Their efforts against all odds during the game were outstanding and such efforts will not diminish their resolve and will carry this team forward as it pursues its dream of playing finals footy.

A sincere and grateful thank you to our coach **Craig Baker**, who masterfully coached the team of 16 players against a full opposition squad, our team manager **Steve O'Brien** and the helpers and supporters who took the time to come along and support and help for the day. On behalf of the coaching panel, we would like to congratulate each and every player for their courageous and inspiring efforts throughout this game. **We now look forward to our next game with the steely resolve to pursue our finals dream.**

Congratulations to all of the kids for such a fantastic and heroic team effort.

Con Papageorgiou

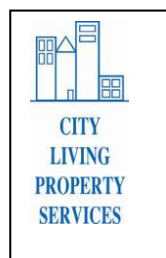
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## UNDER 11 BLUE MATCH REPORT

No match report submitted.

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## CITY LIVING PROPERTY SERVICES UNDER 12 MATCH REPORT



### City Living Property Services U12 v Ajax Jets

Prahran Blues	9	7	61
Ajax Jets	4	4	28

Goals: Henry Brayshaw 2, Reilly Holt 2, Jack Spargo 2, Hunter Watkin, Benn McGinn, Harry Nettlefold

Best: Hunter Watkin, Henry Brayshaw, Reilly Holt, Jack Spargo, Dec Poynter, Tom Cameron

### HEY HEY ITS SATURDAY NIGHT

Playing under lights for the first time the lads showed their playing prowess regardless of what type of light they play in.

The final score disguises how close a contest it was to three quarter time, before the team set

themselves and kicked 4 goals to zip in the last term.

It was an exciting opportunity for the boys, and while the parents grimly watched on in the dark and cold, the players grimly ran out in the light and cold, to take on their biggest challenge of the season.

While Prahran were switched on early, Ajax Jets rallied in the second and third quarters and gave our boys something to chew on.

It was a very physical encounter, with many players from both sides helped from the ground and restricted to the bench, and many playing on in discomfort.

Jack Spargo, Henry Brayshaw, Jake Whitefoot, Lachie May and Andy Clough were among those that visibly suffered in the contest, and with Woody on the bench with his arm in a sling from last week it looked a cold and sorry lot at times.

It was uplifting to see Woody come down in support of his mates, and with several boys including Spargs, Brayshaw and Cloughy playing on despite the pain, this was a heart warming an example of the underlying grit in this side.

It was also terrific to see Tom Cammo Cameron back in his preferred position of roaming a wing.

All boys rotating through the midfield contributed, including the tireless Hunter and Henry, workhorses in Reilly, Josh Kerin, Spargs and Cloughy, the sure hands of Adam Kudnig, and Dec Poynter who tackled hard and relentlessly, regardless of the size of the target.

The backs held on, with the speed of Jake Whitefoot complemented by the indomitable Angus Thompson and Tommy The Rock, and reading of the play of Jack Bainger, Sammy Grimwade and Matty Paltoglou.

The forwards were keen, with Benny McGinn, James McLennan, Jack Bickford and Lachie May all looking a chance, and Benny and Harry getting on the end of a couple in the last.

Probably the play of the day was early in the first quarter seeing the ball moved out of the backline diagonally across the square into the hands of Henry Brayshaw who ran his full measure and hit Harry Nettlefold with a 40 metre hard on the chest leading out at full tilt into open space on the forward flank. Harry then kicked across the hot spot to a contest, that spilled to a running Henry who appropriately took the shot to score a major.

With two games to go, and only a draw and a forfeit to blot the copybook, the boys look well

placed to hang on to top spot and give themselves a double chance in the finals.

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## UNDER 13 MATCH REPORT

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### Prahran U13 v Oakleigh

Prahran def Oakleigh 7-6-48 3-0-18

When we arrived at the game there was a very strong wind. The first quarter got under way and we had the wind behind us. It was a slow start by Prahran but luckily our defence held up strong and there were no goals scored that quarter.

In the second quarter we came out ready to play but unfortunately we were kicking into the wind. There was some great ruck work which helped our midfielders deliver the ball to our forward line. Both teams managed to kick 2 goals each.

The third quarter Prahran had the lead and the wind it was a tough quarter both teams battled hard. Prahran managed to kick 2 goals 4 points to Oakleigh's nil. A great quarter by Sam Hill playing loose man in defence.

We were into the wind for the last quarter but ready to play our best quarter. We snagged 2 quick goals which set us for the rest of the quarter and Oakleigh never had a chance from then on. Great game by everyone and a good win.

Awards:

Forward - Cairney

Defender - Ratliff

1st in - Dee

1% award - Hanmer

Coach - Langdon

Goal kickers - Langdon 2, Pradolin, Marks, Johnstone, Cairney, Bazzani.

Conditions - Strong north wind, Sunny

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## UNDER 15 MATCH REPORT

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### Prahran U15 v Mordi-Brae

A positive night on the training track on Friday night & the hope of a full squad to select from didn't eventuate on Sunday, and unfortunately a number of our key players were not available, even though we did welcome from injury & illness Harrison Matsoukas, Manning McBride & Tom Temay.

Losing the toss & kicking against a strong breeze in the 1<sup>st</sup> qtr, it was very clear that many of our boys

had returned from the 4 week break having not trained or handled the football in that time.

We looked slow of mind & body and it was Mordi Brae who adapted to the windy conditions & were cleaner with their disposal than Prahran who were fumbling & not decisive in giving the first option with the ball.

We were 5 goals down at half time after being clearly outplayed by a more desperate opponent. Our confidence was down, however after some soul searching at the break the boys took stock and in the 2<sup>nd</sup> half started to lift their work rate & showed some Prahran spirit to make it a contest.

The final scores showed a 40 point defeat, however it didn't reflect our endeavour in the second half.

To regain our confidence we need to: -

- attack the football at training and from the start of the game
- keep our endeavour and spirit up, no matter who in our squad is not playing
- be accountable for our opponents when they have the ball
- take our chances qtr by qtr.

We have another opportunity this Sunday against Cheltenham at home.

Gallop played his heart out with gut running & winning many contested balls over 4 quarters. Turner was strong in defence repelling the oppositions attacks & giving us rebound. Greene had a great 2<sup>nd</sup> half as a mobile hit up centre half forward winning many possessions. Shearman, Martin, Lockwood, Paltoglou, Miller (with a clever goal) & Forbes all tried to lift the team at different stages. Matsoukas worked his way into the game with strong tackling & a good goal in the last qtr. Nittai provided a spark in the 2<sup>nd</sup> half as a forward including a clever snap goal. Temay was busy across half back until injured in the 2<sup>nd</sup> qtr.

**Best Players:** Gallop, Turner, Greene, Shearman, Matsoukas, Martin, Lockwood, Miller, Forbes

**Goalkeepers :** Miller, Singer 1, Matsoukas 1, Garschagen 1

## UNDER 16 MATCH REPORT

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Prahran U16s had a bye this week.

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We will beat them one and all,  
The bigger they are the harder they fall.  
Whether the odds be great or be small  
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COME ON THE MIGHTY BLUES!!!**

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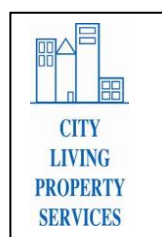


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