



#### CAULFIELD BEARS JUNIOR FOOTBALL CLUB

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# **ROUND 13 FIXTURE**

Team	Opponent	Home/Away	Location	Time
U8's	St Peters FC	Home	East Caulfield	8.45am
U9's	East Brighton	Home	East Caulfield	10.00am
U10 Grizzlies	Beaumaris	Home	East Caulfield	11.15am
U10 Polars	East Sandringham	Home	East Caulfield	12.30pm
U11 Grizzlies	East Brighton	Away	Moorabbin West	9.00am
U11 Polars	East Sandringham	Home	Koornang Park	9.55am
U11 Kodiaks	St Kilda City	Home	Koornang Park	8.30am
U12's Girls	Dingley Dingoes	Away	Corrigan Oval	12.30pm
U12's Mixed	Prahran	Away	Como Park	10.30am
U13's	Port/South Melbourne	Home	East Caulfield	1.45pm
U14s	East Sandringham	Home	Koornang Park	11.20am
U15s	Dingley Dingoes	Home	Koornang Park	1.10pm
U16s	Beaumaris	Home	Koornang Park	3.00pm
U17s	East Sandringham	Away	Peterson Reserve	9.00am

**Calender Events** Family Night **Lightning Carnival U10** AUG AUG From 9.30am 13 4.30pm - 7.30pm 13 **Sponsors Day Major Sponsor** AUG 12.00pm - 2.00pm 6 GARYPEER **Lightning Carnival U8–9** AUG From 12.30pm 6

# PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

Round 12 was designated "Community Round" by the SMJFL and what better way to celebrate our community at the football club than our annual Comedy Night held on Saturday night.

The Bear Cave was filled with parents, club supporters, volunteers and sponsors all enjoying each other's company as well as the three hilarious comedy acts. It is nights like these that help reinforce our great club culture and create new friendships.

A huge thank you to everyone who helped make the night such a success.

# Louise Nelson

#### President



### Match Day Photos

If you have any photos of your teams for our newsletter, please e-mail them to **cbjfcnewsletter@gmail.com** 



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# **NOTICE BOARD**

# INSIDE THE BEAR CAVE

Each week we introduce you to someone 'behind the scenes' that you may not have met before.

#### Christopher Karamihos Club Photographer

This week we would like to introduce you to our roving club photographer, Christopher Karamihos. Christopher attends as many different games as he can each and every week, taking fabulous action shots of our teams as well as candid and often humorous snaps for the "Around the Ground" section of the newsletter. This new page is a firm favourite with Club Members and we are always guaranteed a cute dog, some silly younger sibling antics and often pictures of very cold spectators!! Thanks Christopher, we all love your pictures



# The Robert Connor Dawes Foundation

The Robert Connor Dawes Foundation is the chosen charity of the SMJFL. Inspired by a big heart and brain, the Robert Connor Dawes Foundation was created in June 2013 in the memory of Robert Connor Dawes.

In 2017, teams **WILL NOT** be asked to donate a gold coin and adhere the grey tape to their jumpers during the Lightning Carnival.

While we have done this for the last few years, this year players and parents will be asked to recognise brain matters in Round 13 in The Robert Connor Dawes Foundation Beanie Round. This is a league-wide, all age group activation that clubs are strongly encouraged to get behind.

In-lieu of Lightning Carnival donations, parents/players are asked to donate, and/ or buy a beanie, and wear a beanie on Sunday 30 July.

#### \$20 per beanie / \$25 per beanie with pom pom on top

If you aren't planning to buy a beanie, it would still be great if you could still wear a beanie of your own on the day.

A box will be left at the canteen for those wishing to purchase or donate.

More information on the Robert Connor Dawes Foundation can be found on their website: **rcdfoundation.org** 



# AUSKICK

### This weeks round up

What a fantastic Saturday morning we had on Saturday. Footy colours, footy songs playing, face painting, Bully's BBQ and more. We also had our Auskick photos taken and it was great to see all the fun being had. The numbers increased on previous sessions which is great to see with only a few weeks to go. In some groups we went straight into grid matches from the beginning and played another match later. Others continued with the structured session. Reports from Marcus were that the girls group grid game was the best he had seen which indicates this group is developing their footy skills very well and transferring that to the game. The Year 1's had the wonderful assistance of Fraser and Kye from the Under 15's. The boys then taught the Year 1's the club song which was sung with gusto in the second attempt. More to come and hopefully we can teach the girls this week.

### **Prep/Kinder**

I can feel this week will be a bumper weekend for the Prep/Kinder's. Karen and Kurt have been seeing a continual improvement across th the group and with numbers rising again the next few weeks should be a big fun one.

### Year 2's

The Year 2 group continue to perform like clock work with Derek and David. Not only are they improving on Sunday mornings as a team but the entire Auskick group have developed skills and game strategy continually all year. Keep up the great work.

### **Upcoming events**

I made one mistake on the weekend with my dates for the upcoming events. Please make note of the following:

- The last session of Auskick is Saturday 12th August. On this day the club have requested us to run a grid game at 12.30–1.30pm for the International teams playing at Koornang Park. Please let me know if your child would like to play. Available to all age groups.
- Auskick Lightning Carnival is on Sunday 20th. This is for the Year 1 group and the girls group. On this day the children will play in 2–3 grid matches against other clubs. It will be held in Bentleigh but I will get more details to you soon. Basically I need to know who is available in these groups to participate.

### Thank You

Lastly thanks to Marc "Bully" Bullard from Iconnect Financial Carnegie who donated the food for the BBQ this week. Bully is a great supporter of Auskick and a former coordinator. It's his under 15's that continually come down and support us and volunteer.

# For more information about Caulfield Bears Auskick, Please contact:

Jamie Fardell, Auskick Coordinator 0405574691







### **U8's**

**Location:** Wattie Watson Oval





Windy and cloudy with some brief periods of sunshine

Bear of the Week:

Zac Millar and Angus Waters



#### Caulfield Bears vs. St Kilda City

#### Game Highlights:

Excellent clearance from the opening bounce allowed for immediate forward pressure from the Bears. Some Luca magic in the midfield was on display for all to marvel at.

Great second quarter teamwork from Josh G, Luca and Jack saw Luca bomb the ball through for a major. It was Quinn's turn for some midfield magic in the second with some marvellous marking and deft disposals.

A tap out from the opening bounce saw the ball feed straight into the forwards where some excellent teamwork between Cooper, Harry, Aiden and Josh G was demonstrated. The backs showed strong skills as they intercepted some persistent City attempts at goal but the Bears were too effective in defence.

Determined forwards just couldn't convert for a major at the start of the final term but they didn't give up. The midfield were very supportive picking up the ball and sending it back into attack. The forwards managed to finish off the final term with a couple of minor scores. A rousing rendition of the Bears club song was led by Jack.

**Editors Note:** As per SMJFL By-Law 23.10, a mercy rule applies to the publication of all scores in U11–U13 matches. No team shall have a winning margin greater than 60 points.



Reserve



Max:

Bear of the Week:

Joel Ambrose

#### Game Highlights:

Q1: On a bitterly cold morning with the wind blowing harder than Pat after a 5m sprint the Bears ventured to the Dragons lair. We lost the toss but the Bears came to play with Luke appearing to be playing multiple positions as he was everywhere.

Raf, Christian and Grady all showed great endeavour and Lewis laid a brilliant tackle that lead to a good mark by Martin. Martin continued to play great football and continued to drive the attack. Lewis was unlucky not to get a goal as it was touched on the line.

Q2: In the second guarter we had the breeze and Lucas guickly took advantage and a goal. We were taking full advantage of the breeze but our defence was still under pressure with Mac showing the way.

Lucas stepped up and went bang from what looked about 50m out. The Kennedy brothers then put on a clinic with each sharing a goal within minutes of each other ably assisted by Casper's precision passing. Pat noted that it was the best quarter that the boys had put in for the year.

Q3: The third was all about defence with Cooper. Martin. Jack C and Caspar ensuring an arm wrestle for most of the quarter. Jack C was also showing some silky skills with a great pick up and run which was soon matched by Nico's pick up and run. Against all odds Luke managed to score after some handy work by Christian. The defensive efforts were huge with Lucas taking a screamer in defence.

**Q4:** Ryan unleashed a bomb that managed to bounce over everyone's head and scored another. The forwards continued to press hard with Grady working very hard and Christian picked the ball up cleanly and snapped truly.

The Bears team work was shining through with passing and hand balls that made us proud of the improvement all had made over the year. The final siren was welcomed by all giving the spectators a chance to thaw out.

Caulfield Bears vs. Prahran

## **U10 Polars**

Location:

**Toorak Park** 





Bear of the Week:

Dominic and Daniel were given coaches awards Dom was given the award by the opposition team as well!



#### Game Highlights:

Half time: 18 players are doing everything that has been asked of them today! The back line is playing great football - Luca, Jackson, Phoenix, Dom, Oliver and Claudia doing a superb job! Not letting them win the contest, not letting them get the ball or kick goals, and pushing the ball out to our mid field who kicks it to our forward line and they are kicking goals! Well done Bears! One of the best performances I've seen of you all year! Matty great effort chasing the play, you got us a goal down there mate! Dan great effort in the centre, your determination really leads the rest of the team. Jed running really well today. Isaiah super strong in the forward today. Jakob one of your best games today. Romy back to your best and really quick disposals.

#### Full time awards were given to:

Daniel — For listening to the instructions given to him, played top footy and played in the spirit of the game today.

Dom — Played really good game today, and having been away for a few weeks has made a massive difference.

Romy — Strong through the middle.

Apart from those that got awards, you all played really well today! Charlie played a great game and showed great sportsmanship helping up the opposition after a clash on the sidelines, Claudia steering the ball, Ben excellent in the ruck, Phoenix your kick outs in full back and Isaiah a really strong game today. Mack and Matty great game as well.

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# **U10 Grizzlies**

Location:

Albert Park



#### Bear of the Week:

Paddy, Tom Walsh

#### Zagames

Ben

Boost award Joel

#### Captains for the day:

Max Bremner and Tom Walsh







#### Game Highlights:

With a northerly gust blowing, we knew we were alive on Sunday morning. The Bears warmed up to take on SM under conditions that were beyond their control.

The first quarter saw some great play by Paddy who offered up some great hand work. Jacques and Otis took on SM with a couple great tackles and we saw some amazing shepparding by Tom. Bayley took a sensational mark the was unfortunately intercepted by the opposition. Some great play came from the hands of Hot Dog and Ollie as well as Joel also taking a great mark. Overall a great quarter effort with intensity and focus.

As the game progressed it was clear that the Bears were going to be put to the test and we witnessed good pressure by Max, William and Royce who were relentless in their determination to get to the ball. Ash proved himself in defending his position and Noah intercepted the ball with gusto. A couple of big marks and kicks by Otis saw the boys endeavour to impact the game, with continued pressure.

In the third quarter, we witnessed Charles take a mark, with our new addition, Ben, kicking his first goal playing for the Grizzlies! Royce continued to defend and regrettably copped a falcon seeing him come off the ground for some R&R.

The wind was not on our side but we continued to see relentless determination by the Bears. Overall the boys worked well together and offered up a good effort. They fought out the game to the end and held their heads high playing a fair and modest game.

# **U11 Grizzlies**



Koornang Park



#### **Goal Kickers:**

Jake Gurrie (1)

#### Bear of the Week:

Jeremy Dalton, Kristian Taalikka and Jake Gurrie

#### **Best on Ground:**

Cameron Green

#### **Game Highlights:**

**Q1:** With the wind whipping up and the top team pushing to retain the top spot — this game was going to be tough. From the bounce the Grizzlies were under pressure from the Rovers. There were several bigger players on the Rovers side that were stealing the ball and pressuring for goals. Some good kicking out and tight defending in the howling wind were keeping the Grizzlies in the contention. Some excellent defending by Hugo by tapping the ball saved a certain goal.

**Q2:** Wind picking up and the need to increase the workload. Fyfee, Graham and Couchee combining well and making the most at the stoppages. Good kicking out from Cam

# **U11 Kodiaks**



**Goal Kickers:** Kobie, Jacob and Ged (1)

Bear of the Week: Leo, Lucas A and Ged

Best on Ground: Ben L and Kobie

**50 Games:** Leo, Lucas A and Ged

#### **Game Highlights:**

One of the best banners I've seen this season marked the 50 games achievement for Leo, Lucas A, and Ged.

The first quarter started with some great defensive work. The ball spent a lot of time in the opposition's forward 50 this quarter, and whilst the Bears didn't score, the team work and marking limited them to 1.4. with some solid tackling from Kristian and Henry were keeping the scoring to a minimum. With the stoppages, Paddy became the most overworked payer having to jump against the opposition. Jake, Jarvis and Felix were running hard to keep pressuring for points on the board.

**Q3:** After the rev up at half time the Grizzlies came out firing. Good running from Tommy Graham and a great contested mark from Seb had the ball moving towards our goals. The Grizzlies were finally warming up and keeping the play tight. Cam and Lachie M were showing some form with a dazzling running and tackling to keep the opposition guessing. The play was a bit scrappy but the ball was moving forward. With the wind the ball was always near the boundary line.

The quarter ended with a strong run from Jezza, pushing forward to get the ball downtown. A strong mark from Jake and a solid kick was rewarded with a GOAL!!

**Q4:** The game tightened up again and the Grizzlies were finding it tough to get the ball. From the bounce Tom was running well and seeking players to kick to. Hudson and Cam combining well to move the ball forward with Kristian Jack K tackling well. A strong mark from Hugo and a quick kick out from Lenny were highlights, it was tough to get the ball out of the square. The Grizzlies played hard until the end and there were some encouraging signs for the coaches to take into the next game. Well done for sticking it out in tough conditions.

Caulfield Bears 3.3 (21) def. Cheltenham 1.6 (12)

The first half of the quarter saw contest after contest and the ball flying around the Bears forward 50. About halfway through, some great play saw a couple of behinds scored before Kobie broke through the pack to kick the first goal.

The half time message from Coach Chris was to go for the ball more, don't hold back, pick the ball up off the ground and keep it moving. The team came out with all cylinders firing, ready to take control of the game. The ball was going back and forth a fair bit before the Panthers kicked what was looking like a certain goal... before Ben leapt up, reaching as far as he could to touch it and change that certainty into a behind. The ball finally headed our way and a free kick to Rocco started a wonderful passage of play that saw four players work together to end with Jacob kicking a left-footed goal. Much better team work all round, and improved passages of play put the Bears in front.

Improvement throughout the game, led to this being a strong finish. Absolutely marvellous marking by Ash throughout the second half kept the Panthers scoreless. The team got the ball moving well, resulting in a goal to Ged to seal the game.

Special thanks to Lily Skinner who stepped in to help the team put 17 on the ground. Lily held her own and was an asset particularly in the defensive line.

# **U11 Polars**



#### **Goal Kickers:**

Quinn Cooper (1)

#### Bear of the Week:

Jac Christie, Sophie Hamilton, Lachie Hudson and Michael Liolios

#### **Best on Ground:**

Quinn Cooper







#### Game Highlights:

With five players down due to injuries and sickness they were destined for a tough game. Despite the conditions they were pumped and ready to play, and warmly welcomed Sophie, Levi and Owen to join them on the field.

From the minute the siren went for first quarter, the Polars were definitely under pressure. Great ruck work by Lachie Hudson in this quarter, brilliant marks by Owen, Tom tackling like a star and James Thomas continually talking to the team.

With change of positions and some great coaching the Polars started defending the ball with more determination and found the game inside their 50 most of the quarter. Quin scored one behind, followed closely by the Polars first goal for the day! Sophie was all over the ball in this quarter and showed some great skills keeping the ball out of the hands of the Highett team.

Fourth quarter, and again Sophie dominated the game. Although half the size of the opposition she passed, marked, kicked and tackled her way through this quarter. Great team work in this quarter, with Michael putting plenty of pressure on the opposition, James G and Jono demonstrating some great passing and Elliot for not giving up whilst chasing his player half way across the ground!

Special thanks to Matty Hamilton for playing today, when he should have been tucked-up in bed! Well done Michael for receiving the award from the opposition for best on ground!

# **U12 Girls**

**Location:** Brighton Beach Oval



<sup>мах:</sup> 14°С

**Goal Kickers:** Jemima and Charlotte (1)

Bear of the Week: Chiara, Charlotte and Akeisa

#### **Best on Ground:**

Eliza



#### Game Highlights:

New trainer Danielle, Hannah's mum was filling in for Jacinta as trainer for the next two weeks. Today's advise form Gilbert the Coach was all about WANTING the ball!

First quarter stated off rough for the Bears with Brighton scoring two goals in two minutes. We had some players applying good pressure and winning ball after good tackling from Alannah and Tess, but Brighton Beach still scored another goal before the end of the first quarter.

Second quarter was better great tackling form Eliza and Tess allowing Jemima to score first goal for the Bears. We put good pressure with lots of tackling and Tess scored a behind and Eliza scored two behind.

Third quarter started with the Brighton Beach scoring a goal and not much later a behind, we still tackled and won couple of free kicks but couldn't really push forward.

Eliza injured her right knee after a great tackle and had to be taken out. Brighton Beach too strong and managed to score another two goals before the end of the quarter.

Forth quarter much like the third with Brighton Beach applying pressure and scoring another goal and one behind. We were able match this at the end of the game with Charlotte scoring a goal and Leone scoring a behind.

## **U12 Mixed**



**Goal Kickers:** 

Farrar and Mavropoulos (1)

Bear of the Week: Gubba, Rhino, Webby and Tess

#### Game Highlights:

Met with a strong wind blowing across Koornang Park from the grandstand to the coaches box, they were difficult conditions for our U12s. Mordi-Brae moved the ball efficiently by hand and by foot to score an early goal at the Koornang Road end. It was a tough day from there.

The Mordi-Brae midfield were too quick and unchecked, outnumbering our beleaguered defence, scoring two more in the opening term.

We gained one back in the second quarter when Rhino jumped on a loose one to kick our first goal. But against better skills, speed and attack on the ball, we were down 1.1 to 5.5 at half time.

#### Mordialloc Braeside 7.13 (55) def. Caulfield Bears 2.4 (16)

The second half was more even, as some coaching moves tightened the screws on the opposition stars. A highlight was a hard tackle by JJ which resulted in Nick Mav (on a wing rather than his customary full back) pouncing and check-siding a goal from 25m out. However a prompt response from Mordi-Brae meant we were outscored in every quarter.

Max went down on the outer wing with what looked from afar like a bad leg injury. After the game, it seemed like a corky and he was hopeful a good rub-down would fix it up.

It was a disappointing game having drawn with this team in our earlier clash. Finals are now all about "mathematical possibilities", so with three weeks to go, Gary has asked the team to keep our heads high and see what we can do.

# U13's

#### Location:

Gerry Green Reserve



#### **Goal Kickers:**

Andrew (2)

#### Bear of the Week:

Thomas Williamson and James Arthur

#### **Best on Ground:**

Angus Nicolay

#### Game Highlights:

On a chilly and windy morning the team ventured to Gerry Green Reserve to play Mordialloc Braeside a team a head of us on the ladder. Hopefully we were going to continue our last quarter efforts from last match into this one.

Winning the toss and kicking with a wind advantage we were able to get the ball out of middle and go forward. Locking the ball in our forward line on several occasions we were able to have many shots but only registering points. With Andrew lurking around the ball he was able to gather and finally pull a goal.

With the intensity from both teams absolutely high and great tackles from both sides saw the match a bit scrappy at times. With seconds to go in the quarter saw M/B go forward marking about 20 meters out kicking into a very strong wind. However with Miro on the line the ball was kept out.

**Q2:** With M/B with the wind in this quarter it was going to be tough because they were going to lift their intensity which they did going forwards on numerous times but with Miro taking mark after mark keeping them out, and great help from all the backs. We were able to go forward against the flow a couple of times but with no score.

**Q3:** With Bears kicking with the wind it was time to try and cement a good lead, the intensity had lifted to another level with both sides trying there absolute best to go forward, bears with a couple of shots only to register points, until Andrew nearly the same position as first quarter attacked the ball and gathered to slot a great goal.

**Q4:** With M/B kicking with a stronger breeze going forward they were going to throw everything at us, but with the rock Miro marking time and time again keeping them out and with great support from all backs again what a absolute marvel to watch.

With the whole team playing four great quarters, with great marks and tackles long kicks and some great hand passes and carry saw them have a great result. Miro almost record breaking stat for marks in a match 200! Oops a least 20, great work Miro.

# **U14's**

Location: Hurlingham Park



Max:

**Goal Kickers:** 

Nicholas Karamihos (3), Nicholas Johnston (2), Harry Beet, Will Nicholas, Bupa Munashinghe and Harry Penhall (1)

#### **Bear of the Week:**

Spencer Duggan, Stephan Mitzeliotis and Morgan Grace

#### Zagames:

Nick Karamihos

#### **Best on Ground:**

Tom O'Brien





#### **Game Highlights:**

The game started with an early goal by Will Nichols, and at quarter time the score was 14 to 7 in favour of the Vampires.

At half time the score was almost even at 33 to 29 in favour of the Vampires, then in the third quarter the Vampires were leading with the score of 54 to 37.

In the last quarter, the Bears got ahead with a goal by Nick Lanaris, then a goal by Nick Karamihos, followed by goals by Harry Beet and Harry Penhall.

The bears fought hard to win the match by one point with the final score of 60 to 59.

Andrew and Tim are very proud of the team's efforts and Tim called it one of the best games played in the last five years!







# U15's

Koornang Park

C 7°C 14 Windy, cold with rain

Min:

Max:

#### **Goal Kickers:** Matty and Harro (1)

#### 100 Games:

Woodsy



#### Game Highlights:

Playing at home against the 2nd placed team, Highett and on the previous encounter they smashed us early in the game and even though we came back hard to only lose by three goals, they were too good for us on that occasion.

So the aim today was to start strongly and pressure the opposition. Today was Woodsy's 100th game, so we had a bit to play for and hopefully the boys would lift for his milestone. We lost the toss and had to kick into a strong north wind in the first term. Although Highett kicked the first two goals of the game at the eight and ten minute mark of the quarter. We were then steady and used the ball well into the wind. Matty got on the end of some good play up field, marks, plays on using his speed and goals from 25 metres out. Ben's having a great game, he marks in defence, passes to Woodsy, he marks and finds Harro, who then passes to Joel for a shot on goal, this was our best and most skilful passage of play for the season. At quarter time we are down by six points in an encouraging display.

Highett do all the attacking early in the term, but our defence is standing up superbly, Nick just keeps doing the team things and keeps spoiling and harassing the opposition. Harro's doing well all over the ground, he gains possession after a pass from Joel and kicks our second goal to even the scores. Late in the term Fraser hurts his knee, and is clearly done for the game, this would soon prove to be a big loss. Highett get a late goal and lead by eight points at half time, but we are in the contest.

Rain sets in for the second half, so it would require everyone to put their bodies over the ball and run in straight lines at the footy. For the first 10 minutes of the quarter we defend stoutly, repelling all of Highett's attacking moves, but in the last part of the term they kick two goals and hold a four goal lead at the last change.

The last term proved to be a real struggle for both teams in the wet, the ball was like a cake of soap. There were many great individual efforts. Flyn was fantastic in his efforts to keep the ball in attack and was rewarded with a free kick for a run down tackle, unfortunately the shot on goal fell short with the heavy ball. Even though we eventually lost by five goals nobody could be disappointed in the boys efforts against a much bigger and physically stronger opponent. There was no doubt the rain suited their physical style of footy more than the Bears.



#### **Goal Kickers:**

Tim (5), Emin, Ethan (2), Tom and Robb (1)

#### Bear of the Week:

Lizzie, for her efforts at half time!

#### **Best on Ground:**

Max — We nearly lost this young man to another Bears team this year and thank goodness he decided to stay with the 16's. His form has ascended to another level and his growing confidence is palpable. With his growing speed and agility, Max is certainly hitting his straps this season.

Tim — I swear, there was an opposition player hanging off Tim's left arm and he still took a mark! Also, I like the way that Tim has subscribed to the rotating full forward, swapping with Frenchie and Fletch. I can tell you, it was driving the opposition coaching team crazy.

Lachy — This gentleman is the quiet achiever of the Bears (his team mates may laugh at this — he may have a few words to say on the training track I believe). He is absolutely resolute in defence and has impeccable timing running towards the ball. While ably supported in the backline, Lachy has always been a stalwart in reading the play and repelling attacks. A well-deserved award.

#### **Game Highlights:**

The blustery conditions made this a tough game for the Bears as well as an opposition that was not going to lie down. This was especially apparent in the first quarter where it was a real tussle — the Hawks came out hard. However, the Bear defence were absolutely resolute that they were going to hold fast. They continually repelled the attack and even when the Hawks broke through, enough pressure was applied to put them off target or they made sure a hand was put to the ball before it crossed the line.

The second quarter was more of the same, except we could feel the Bears slowly but surely edge ahead. Once again, it was really the defence that made the difference as the frustration for the Hawks being unable to score a major started to give the Bears attack a bit more room to move.

On behalf of the spectators, I would like to thank the "Half Time Entertainment Committee" for organising the chap who performed the "I'm going to let my dog do his business on a footy field in the middle of a game and leave it there" show. Lots of audience participation and the first show was so successful, there was an encore!

Well, after the half-time break, the Bears came out far more resolute and applied more and more pressure. As with the first half, the wind made accuracy and scoring difficult but it was a valuable lesson in how the style of the game must suit the conditions — the flatter, shorter ball will always work better when there is a gale blowing.

The last quarter allowed the only crack in defence for the day when a Hawks ball tricked over the goal line. You would have thought by the reaction of the defenders that they had lost a grand final. That's what we like to see, gentleman. Nothing like a pack of defenders who feel physical pain when a goal is scored. Well, the Bears drove the game home to a workman like win with the Bears supporters were frozen in place until the final siren — not by the footy, by the sub-zero wind!

# U17's

Location: Koornang Park





Ormond 10.10 (70) def. Caulfield Bears 5.10 (40)

#### **REPORT NOT SUBMITTED**

**Goal Kickers:** 

Locky, Spencer (2) Mitchell and Dean (1)

Bear of the Week: Henri, Bayne, Ari

# **COMEDY IN THE BEAR CAVE**













# **AROUND THE GROUND**













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