



THE BEAR FACTS

CAULFIELD BEARS JUNIOR FOOTBALL CLUB

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ROUND 6 FIXTURE

Team	Opponent	Home/Away	Location	Time
U8's	Mordialloc Braeside	Away	Walter Galt Reserve	8.15am
U9's	Beaumaris	Home	East Caulfield	9.00am
U10's	Ajax	Home	East Caulfield	12.00pm
U11 Polars	Prahran	Away	Como Park	9.00am
U11 Grizzlies	Oakleigh	Away	Princes Hwy Reserve	11.15am
U12 Girls Polars	Brighton Beach	Away	Brighton Beach	9.50am
U12 Girls Grizzlies	St Kilda	Away	Wattie Watson Oval	11.35am
U12 Polars	East Malvern	Away	Stanley Grose Reserve	1.30pm
U12 Grizzlies	Waverley Park Hawks	Away	Lum Reserve	2.30pm
U13's	Beaumaris	Home	Koornang Park	9.00am
U14's Girls	Beaumaris	Home	Koornang Park	12.00pm
U14's	St Kilda	Home	Koornang Park	10.30am
U15's	East Sandringham	Away	Peterson Reserve	11.30am
U16's	BYE	BYE	BYE	BYE
U17's	South Melbourne	Home	Koornang Park	1.30pm

PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

At the end of each season, our Club nominates two candidates per team (Under 13 – Under 15 age group) to train with the SMJFL/St Kilda Saints Next Generation Academy. From there, a squad is selected to represent the SMJFL in Interleague competitions that are played over the Queen's Birthday weekend.

The teams were selected last week and I am really excited to announce that the following players from the Caulfield Bears have been chosen to represent the SMJFL:

- Under 13 Girls Squad: Tess Keogh and Eliza Krivaci
- Under 15 Boys Squad: Nick Karamihos
- Under 15 Girls Squad: Jenna Casamento

It is a huge honour to be selected to represent the League and we are very proud of these players.

Louise Nelson
President



Nick Karamihos



Jenna Casamento



Tess Keogh



Eliza Krivaci

Match Day Photos

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Team App

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Available from the App store or the Play Store — simply install the app, and find the Caulfield Bears Junior Footy Club.

Download our App!



MAY

20

Family Night

4.30pm – 7.30pm

JULY

21

Stand Up Comedy

7.00pm onwards

MATCH REPORTS!

If all teams could provide reports and a few photos for the newsletter that would be appreciated! However if nothing is received the scores where relevant, with locations and weather will be all that's published.

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BY-LAW OF THE WEEK Adverse Weather Conditions 11.1

The SMJFL may cancel any SMJFL match due to adverse weather conditions such as, but not limited to, excessive heat/humidity, lightning or rain/hail that may endanger participants' health or safety.

MILESTONES!

Congratulations to Tommy Walsh, Oli Jackson, Jarvis Dart, William Roberts for reaching their 50 games, along with Fletch who celebrated his 100th game.

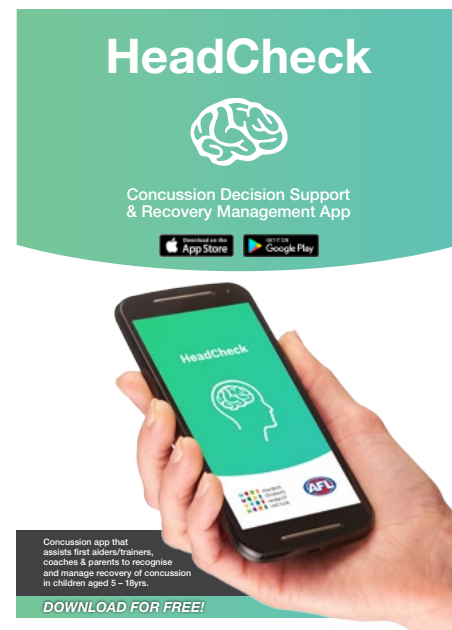

Save the Date!
7pm @ the Bear Cave
Saturday 21st July

Secretary Scoop

A new online app called HeadCheck has been released to help support football communities manage concussion.

Developed by world leading concussion experts at the Murdoch Children's Research Institute, the Royal Children's Hospital (RCH) and the AFL, the new HeadCheck app helps Trainers & Coaches to recognise the symptoms of a suspected concussion and its severity.

All clubs are encouraged to share this information and the app so that their trainers, first aiders and parents can have access to world's best practice in child concussion education and advice.



Next Generation Umpire?

Our very own Under 15's Interleague representative, Nicholas Karamihos from the under 15's team, had the opportunity to umpire the Auskick match at half time at the MCG last Saturday for the Carlton vs Essendon Match as part of McKinnon High Schools BYTES program.

The program encourages students to become involved in leadership roles across various platforms and experiences and builds skills in communication, team management, planning, creativity and digital literacy.

Well done Nicholas! Next step AFL draft – no pressure!



AUSKICK

Mothers Day!

What a wonderful day Saturday was for our annual Mothers Day extravaganza! Certainly one of the best Saturdays on the Calendar for our centre. The weather was surprisingly perfect, the company was great, the atmosphere was vibrant and there was a lot of fun had by all. I hope all our Auskickers treated their mums to lots of hugs and kisses on Sunday, along with perhaps some breaky in bed and thoughtful presents.

Specky Events was fantastic. Everyone was giving their very best in all the activities, with particular efforts made on the big specky inflatable! There was the fast and explosive pace shown in the obstacle course, the accuracy of the kicking into the bins, the super goals kicked through the inflatable goals and of course the super high catching hanging marks caught on the 3 specky mats. Our coaches really stepped up to help the day run smoothly!

At the end of the session, all our young Auskickers loved having a kick with their mums in the games, with many mums showing some surprising skills with the footy!

Our raffle was much anticipated with a few very sought after prizes. There looked to be some very happy mums when the tickets were drawn!

We had many volunteers from Auskick and the Caulfield Bears Junior Football Club to help the morning go smoothly, giving it a real community feel. MC's, BBQ kings and some catchy tunes pumping. Our junior club supports this program enormously, and help us to make this clinic both welcoming and well resourced, with a clear focus on delivering quality sessions

Thank you to other club sponsors, Bendigo Bank who donated a hamper for the raffle. Thanks also to Zagames for supplying our sausages and bread for the BBQ.

We would have had no prizes without local businesses donating goods and vouchers, as well as our Auskick and Caulfield Bears families.

We would like to sincerely thank;

**Microhire, Port Melbourne | Markese Hair, Carnegie
The Waxing Queen, Carnegie | Serenity, Carnegie
She Knows Her Clothes, Carnegie | Style Staples,
East Malvern | The Hairplace, Carnegie | The Waxing
Queen, Carnegie | Spotlight, Carnegie | Lizzies
Chocolates, Carnegie | Left Field, Carnegie
Just Italy, Oakleigh | Leanne Simmons Floral
Design, East Bentleigh | Spilt Milk, Carnegie
The Builders Daughter, East Malvern**

Boots Squad

The Boots Squad were at it again, this time combining their kicking and handballing skills in drills performed on the run and simulating pressure and contest situations. We have had great feedback from our participants so far with the content, so we look forward to them all displaying their increased skills and confidence in their weekly games!



For more information about Caulfield Bears Auskick, Please contact:

**April Matthews,
Auskick Coordinator**





MATCH REPORT

U8's

Caulfield Bears vs. Beaumaris

Location:

East Caulfield



Min:

8°C

Max:

16°C

Mostly Sunny

Bear of the Week:
Delilah and Seb

Game Highlights:
It was a tough day out for the Bears against a strong Beaumaris Sharks side.

The Bears were lead by captains Delilah and Charlie. Beaumaris were quick to score but some strong defence, good tackling and running kicks saw the Bears stay in the game in the first quarter.

In the second and third quarters the Bears continued to persevere with tackling, competing and good long kicks. In the final quarter the Bears persistence paid off and the ball entered the front line several times.

The team did a great job to compete right until the final siren.



Editors Note: As per SMJFL By-Law 25.12, scores are not printed for out modified rules games. Also 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.

U9's

Caulfield Bears vs. St Peters

Location:

Centenary Park



Min:

8°C

Max:

16°C

Sunny and dry

Bear of the Week:
Edward and Harry

Game Highlights:
The Bears were up against their Bogey team – the St Peters team again proved very fierce opponents. In the first quarter Eamonn and Charlie B took some great marks but St Peters were accurate goal kickers. In the second quarter the team's defence was under pressure and Harry was tackling anything with a ball! The second half saw a string of great marks from Angus W, Eamonn, Josh S and Angus B. Luca, Josh, Cooper and Toby showed persistence all game. The team were playing for their Mum's today and they did them proud putting up a valiant effort against a very tough team.



U10's

Caulfield Bears vs. Bentleigh

Location:

King George Oval



Min:

8°C

Max:

16°C

Sunny with a brisk wind

Bear of the Week:
Lewis

Game Highlights:
Great early pressure from the Bears defence made it hard for Bentleigh in the first qtr.

The Bears surged in the 2nd quarter putting their opposition to the sword with some more great tackling, some sensational efforts from Joel and Harry that helped the Bears get right back into the game. With the breeze at their back and the wind in their sails from another inspirational speech from Pat, the Bears kicked a couple of goals in the second quarter and Bentleigh knew that the Bears were out of hibernation!!!

The third quarter was tight, contested footy and everything Bentleigh was throwing at the Bears, the Bears was able to absorb. With the game in the balance at 3 Quarter time, the Bears showed enormous courage in the final quarter as the Bentleigh team began to get some momentum.

The game was tight and while the Bears walked away proud of their efforts, a new rivalry in the league had begun.



U11 Polars

Caulfield Bears 6.7 (43) def. St Paul's McKinnon 5.3 (33)

Location:

Koornang Park



Min:

8°C

Max:

16°C

Fine and Sunny

Goal Kickers:
Johnny (2), Noah, Lewis, Cooper, Tom Ritchie (1)

Best on Ground:
Tom Walsh

Game Highlights:
Early on Sunday morning the Polars again lined up with Grady, Lucas, Jack, Cooper and Lewis from the U-10's to take on St Paul's McKinnon.

Tommy Walsh led the team through the banner for his 50th Bears game. It quickly became apparent that the Polars were in for a real fight. St Paul's McKinnon were hard at it and very fast throughout the first quarter. Johnny and Max Regan were up and about with many valuable contributions however the team would need to lift its intensity to stop St Paul's increasing its 1st quarter lead.

The intensity increased in the second quarter and both sides continued to slug it out. The Polars showed that they could match St Paul's pressure with Jack, Tommy Walsh, Tom Ritchie, Jacques and Maxi Bremner all lifting with Lewis snaring a very handy goal. St Pauls were throwing everything at the Polars in what had become a very physical and tough match.

The 3rd quarter saw the Bears get on top of St Paul's with fast ball movement and quick fire goals within the first moments of the premiership quarter. The first two goals knocked the wind out of St Paul's and the relentless pressure from the mid's and back's kept them goalless during the 3rd quarter. Ollie, Royce, Lucas and Noah ran hard and kept up the pressure all quarter whilst Johnny's forward half work set up the forwards to score. The stage was set for the final quarter with the game very much still up for grabs. The team who could run the game out and not lose focus would come away with a win.

The Polars stuck to the plan and maintained the pressure throughout the final quarter to bring home a great win. St Paul's fought hard all day and never dropped their heads.

Grady, Lucas, Cooper, Lewis and Jack from the U10's again ran hard and were punching above their weight in what was a very physical game. As always Gus was hard at the ball and tackled and harassed all game.

Max Regan, Jacques, Noah, Jake, Mack and Maxi Bremner were all great contributors throughout the game with Tommy Walsh hitting the contest hard and running all day in a great celebration of his 50th Bears game.

This was the Polars toughest game to date which tested the boys physically in what was arguably the best win for the Polars against a determined and strong opposition.



U11 Grizzlies

Caulfield Bears 4.6 (30) def. Mordialloc Braeside 3.1 (19)

Location:

Koornang Park



Min:

8°C

Max:

16°C

Mostly Sunny

Goal Kickers:
Jackson (2), Ben and Nick (1)

Bear of the Week:
Jaikiah, Cameron, Ethan and Otis

Game Highlights:
First quarter was a tough battle, with both teams going in hard. Mordi Brea had the upper hand going in by 6 points at the end of the first quarter.

Coach Dale advised the team to tackle hard and win the ball at every chance

The kids came out in the second quarter and did exactly what the coach requested kicking 1 goal 4 points to zero.

Half time Dale told the kids in the third quarter we are going against the wind, against a tough team we need to have our team mates backs, tackle harder and don't stand back for anything.

Bears don't quit, we need to come out the end of this quarter in front, which is exactly what the team did kicking 1 goal 2 points to 1 goal 1 point extending our lead to 5 points.

Going into the last Dale stated this was toughest and hardest game that he has ever witnessed this team play, he asked for one last thing from all the kids to keep the pressure on which they did, coming out winners in the end 4 goals 6 – 30 points to 3 goal 1 – 19 points



U12 Girls Polars

Caulfield Bears 9.7 (61) def. Hampton Rovers 1.0 (6)

Location:
East Caulfield



Min:
8°C

Max:
16°C

Mostly Sunny

Goal Kickers:
Vi (2), Mia , Sophie, Samantha, Hannah, Claudia, Matilda, Lucy (1)

Game Highlights:
What a great way for the Mothers to spend Mothers Day, watching their girls run around and have fun playing footy!

The first quarter started in a bit if an arm wrestle until Samantha laid a bone crunching tackle which really set the standard for the day. The girls were away and playing good hard footy. Lucy kicked a ripper goal and Matilda had the ball on a string. Samantha was amassing possessions at will we saw some amazing brute strength from Hoofa to break through the pack and run into an open goal and slam it through the big ones.

The second quarter started with the backline having some work to do early on. Mia intercepted the ball in the back line, which started a really good passage of team play through the middle of the ground and into the forward line where Claudia kicked a real rovers goal, her first for the team. Great effort Claudia. Samantha’s tap work in the middle to her team mates was world class. We have heard of Pagans Paddock, well the weekend saw the start of Coach Conrad’s Crush. Every bears player when the ball was in their zone was desperate to get the ball and pass it out and if they had the ball we always had 2 or 3 Bear players in the tackle crushing the opportunity for them to get the ball out.

The third quarter started with a Sophie goal, not sure if it came off her, left foot, right ankle or knee but it was a well deserved goal for repeated efforts at the footy. The Boost juice goal of the day went to Hannah who gave the best Dusty don’t argue ever, ran took a bounce and nailed a 50 metre goal which brought a huge roar from the crowd. Mia was winning every tap and getting the ball to Akeisha and Skinner to drive it forward relentlessly. Macca was a tackling machine and creating some really good spillages for the team to gain possession. Sam and Matilda kicked goals in quick succession.

Three quarter times instruction was to get the ball to Leona at full forward as it was her last match before they head off around Oz. Safe trip Clohesys and we look forward to many tales when you get back. Jas and Hoofa were in everything and the crowd roared again when Mia stood on the shoulders of a Hampton girl and took a screamer. Leona then kicked the point of the day after baulking 3 or 4 Hampton players, giving another Dusty don’t argue and shooting just the wrong side of the big sticks.



U12 Girls Grizzlies

St Bedes / Mentone 7.5 (47) def. Caulfield Bears 7.2 (44)

Location:
East Caulfield



Min:
8°C

Max:
16°C

Mostly Sunny

Goal Kickers:
Grace McIntyre (3), Abby Lila Osborne (2), Georgia Miller and Maya Jorgensen (1)

Bear of the Week:
Grace McIntyre, Abby Lila Osborne, Maggie Huntley

Game Highlights:
Due to the growing popularity in girls footy and big numbers in the under 12 girls team, this week saw the team split in half and the birth of the “Grizzlies.” Led by their fearless coach Tony, the girls were pumped and ready to show everyone what they’ve got....and they didn’t disappoint playing an exceptional and unified game.

In the first quarter we saw some great runs from Grace, great kicks from Madeleine and Nina, two goals from Abby, Georgia putting in some strong tackles and all the girls working hard in their zones.

In the second quarter we saw some spectacular marks from Ivy and Georgia, monster kicks from Maggie, Mariyama and Grace and some fast running from Maddison. St Bedes played a strong quarter but the girls put in an excellent effort holding their own.

The third quarter saw the Grizzlies in fine form. We saw some great work between Maggie and Grace scoring us a further goal. Georgia took some great marks and we saw Grace dodge and weave to score her second and third goal for the game.

The final quarter was intensely close. Maya scored a goal and then Georgia had the opportunity to bounce a goal through. Maggie was in fine form doing us proud with her tackles and speed. Unfortunately, St Bedes scored a goal in the final minute winning the game by three points.

The Grizzlies, while a little exhausted, were proud of the true grit and determination they brought to the game.



U12 Polars

Hampton Rovers 9.8 (62) def. Caulfield Bears 4.2 (26)

Location:

East Caulfield



Min:

8°C

Max:

16°C

Partly Sunny

Goal Kickers:
Lucas Bremner (3) and Ben Lascelles (1)

Bear of the Week:
Lucas Bremner, Liam Golding, Lucas Agar, James Thomas

Game Highlights:
The game started as a bit of an arm wrestle with both teams trying to assert their authority. Hampton managed to break the deadlock with a couple of quick goals. The Bears responded with a great tackle from Lucas A who drove the ball forward where Finn was stopped on the last line of defence.

The boys lifted in the second quarter with Ged tackling well and earning a free kick. He centred to Lachie who in turn kicked to Leo. Leo's kick just fell short but Lucas B roved his own marking contest and snapped truly to put the Bears on the board. Soon after Marcus, Finn and Patrick combined well to drive the ball forward where this time Lucas B roved his own ruck work to kick his second. The Bears were on a roll with Marcus driving the ball forward again where Lucas took a great pack mark but unfortunately the siren sounded just as the ball was about to be put deep into our attack.

Hampton started to get on top in the third quarter, kicking a few quick goals in succession. The Bears were desperately trying to hang on. Ben took a good mark, centred the ball to Lucas A who kicked forward to Lucas B. Ben kept on running and ended up accepting a handball in the goal square to post our only goal of the quarter.

Lachie, Jake and Quinn lifted their games in the last qtr. They helped drive the ball forward to James G who did a great inboard handball to Lucas B who slotted his third goal from 30 metres out in the pocket. Matty showed some great run and found Quinn in the middle who in turn kicked to Lucas A but unfortunately the siren beat us again just as we were looking to add to our score.

The Bears went down in a hard fought game but apart from a couple of 5 minutes lapses in the first and third quarters, not much separated the teams.



U12 Grizzlies

Oakleigh JFC 8.5 (53) def. Caulfield Bears 0.4 (4)

Location:

East Caulfield



Min:

8°C

Max:

16°C

Sunny and warm

Bear of the Week:
Oli Jackson, Ollie Taalikka, Tom Gordon, James Gearon and Jarvis Dart

Game Highlights:
It was perfect conditions for Oli Jackson and Jarvis Dart to celebrate their 50 games. Congratulations to both boys for a great achievement! Oli and Jarvis proudly captained the Grizzlies for their fifth game.

During the first half the scores remained close. The Grizzlies showed: great effort by all the players; tackles developing in strength and frequency; players bending over the ball and the forward and back lines increasing intensity. The first two quarters saw: Henry, Jarvis, Felix, Raff, Lachie Mackie and Jordan tackling strong; Lachie Mathieson and Sam attacking the ball well and Tom Graham, James and Oli Jackson executing some good marks.

At half time, Ken, was pleased with the effort displayed by the boys, the number of tackles and percentage of play that the Grizzlies were controlling. Grizzlies needed to focus on position structure, converting the contested ball and kicking the ball long when tackled. During the third and fourth quarters we witnessed: big efforts from Raff and Lachie Mackie in the frontline; Ollie Taalika and Hugo blocking play in the backline; strong tackles from Sam and James; good marking from Rocco and good work in the centre from Tom Gordon and Seb.

The Grizzlies would also like to thank Caulfield Bears Captain, Oscar Fraser, for his coaching support throughout the game.



Location:

Albert Park



Min:

8°C

Max:

16°C

Mostly Sunny

Best on Ground:
Lucas, Jacko, Mav and Paddy

Game Highlights:
1Q: The boys ready to play for all the Mums on Mothers Day. The Bears started strong, winning every tap out and controlling the game early. Great mark taken by Lucas on loan from the Polars passed to Jacko who goaled it, our first for the day.

South Melbourne were able to push the ball down really well to their forward line a couple of times and they kicked two quick goals as a result but the Bears dominated the play in the first quarter, despite what the scoreboard said, which paved the way for the rest of the game.

2Q: The Bears came out fighting in the second quarter which showed in the determination from the centre lead by Paddy. South Melbourne also showed that they were ready to take the game on with some great offensive team work resulting in a big goal for them. The Bears were dominant in the centre clearing the ball out and getting it down to their forward line. Jacko showed how big an impact he has on the game during this quarter showing off his quality skills.

3Q: Again the Bears started strong in the third after Coach Gary and Justin’s half time address, the boys were listening as the ball was down the bears end for most of the quarter with a “Hungry attack” with 3 behinds in 5 mins then Heals converting with a Gusty effort in the square and scoring a goal. Great team work from Bucket to James Hopley for the 2nd goal of the quarter.

4Q: The Bears started the final term with a 33 point lead and again showed their dominance in the backline, but South Melbourne weren’t going down without a fight getting back to within 20 points. Thanks to Lucas the man of Steel (you can come and help out the U13 Bears anytime) and Mav’s efforts, both Rhino and Aiden converted with a goal each.

They boys finished with what was a fairly convincing win in the end everyone contributed in some way which was really pleasing. Well done boys!

Location:

Columbia Park



Min:

11°C

Max:

16°C

Mostly Sunny

Game Highlights:
The Bears had to travel out to Waverley to meet the Hawks on a sunny Mother’s Day morning. North Road seemed to go on for infinity and jet lag was a potential problem. It proved to be a non event with the Bears getting the first two goals of the game. The first came from great vision from Evan to pass to Aiden who goaled from 30 and then Andrew, who used his panther like speed to clear the pack and goal on the run. The Hawks avenged with two goals in reply to see the Bears lead by a point at quarter time.

The Bears might not have had the lead if not for some great clearance work by Thomas and Jacob on the backline and some super work from Mr one percenter Jonah. Miro laid a hulking tackle in front of goal to get an early goal in Q2 and then a brilliant chain of possessions that ended with Jimmy snapping truly saw the Bears flying the banner. Coops was still a bit sore from injury but that didn’t stop him collecting a heap of possessions across half back.

In Q3 the Hawks fell into the Bears web and turned into falcons with possibly their best quarter for the year. A 3 goal to no score quarter saw the bears take a good lead. Two great goals to Gus the gun and the obligatory running goal to Dimma was complimented by tackle of the year to Jack B and Lucas B at the bottom of every pack. The Hawks in stark contrast to the 3rd quarter, played a great last quarter and took out the game but not before Jenna continually showed the cleanest hands on field time and time again (not in a washing sense, but the handballing sense). The Bears had a test against the division benchmark and showed their best is definitely good enough.

Location:

East Caulfield



Min:

8°C

Max:

16°C

Fine

Goal Kickers:
Natasha Kauffman (1)

Bear of the Week:
Isabella Affinita, Annabel Bentley and Lucy Williams

Best on Ground:
Pippa Ellis

Game Highlights:
The match opened with some ferocious tackling by our girls. It was an extremely congested tight game for the majority of the quarter. Sienna Rogers was taking her traditional intercept marks, Jemima was tackling hard and Eliza was taking some strong marks. The play of the quarter belonged to Claire who burst down the left hand side of the ground and booted the ball towards goal, only to see it bounce off the line and be cleared. A tough fighting quarter that saw the Bears lead by the solitary behind that Natasha had scored.

The second quarter saw Braeside start to dominate the game. Their speed and size started to worry our girls. Despite some tough work in defence, they opened up a commanding lead, finishing the half with 2 goals 4.

The second half saw the Bears continued to fight hard and it eventually paid off. Natasha picked up the ball and was running into goal when she was pushed in the back. She calmly went back and slotted the free kick through for our first goal of the afternoon.

Unfortunately despite all their efforts, the girls could not make up the deficit and went down by 3 goals.



Location:
Koorngang
Park



Min:
8°C
Partly cloudy

Max:
16°C

Goal Kickers:

Nicholas Karamihos, Harry Penhall and Cameron Gebert

Bear of the Week:

Zagames award; Tom O'Brien
Canteen Awards to Dom Hart and Harry Penhall

Game Highlights:

The game started with the Bars getting an early lead, Nick Karamihos kicked a goal in the first 30 seconds followed by another 2 minutes later and another 3 minutes Harry Pehnhal cracked one of his trademark snaps to gain a 3 goal lead in the first 5 minutes.

At half time the score was almost even then in the third quarter then the Bears hit back with another quick 3 goals.

Best on Ground:

Nick Karamihos

In the last quarter, the Bears got ahead with a goal by Nick Karamihos (43).

The bears fought hard to win the match by 11 points with the final score of 72 /61. Andrew and Tim are very proud of the team's efforts and Tim called it a promising start for the first non practice game!



Location:
Koorngang
Park



Min:
8°C
Mostly Sunny

Max:
16°C

Goal Kickers:

Joel (2), Harro, Fraser, George, LT, Beau and Warbo (1)

Game Highlights:

I'm not sure if it was round 5 or back to round 1, as post regrading our 4 wins were wiped and the season started afresh in a new 11 team comp. We were at home playing against a side who had also won their first 4 games, but also won them all by huge margins, so it was going to be an examination to see where we were at.

St K City kick the first goal of the game, before Joel marks 50 metres out and bangs it through goal post high, obviously the break in his foot hadn't limited his kicking ability, St K kick another before Fraser exerts his influence on the game and kicks a ripping goal under extreme pressure. Patty shows extreme courage, obviously a gene inherited from his mother side, he runs backwards into a pack and whacks his head into a team mate, unfortunately Patty comes off 2nd best and suffers mild concussion and is off for the remainder of the game. Right on the siren George snaps a great goal over his left shoulder, and we are 5 points up at ¼ time.

Controversy to start the 2nd term, St K have 19 players on the ground and kick a goal straight away before one of their players rushes off the ground before the umpires realise, not much compensation that only a "sorry" emanates somewhere from the St K bench. The opposition kicks a further 2 goals, and we look to be in trouble, then LT, playing in an unfamiliar forward role snags a goal for the Bears to keep us within range. We dominate the next 10 minutes of the game, but only get the 1 goal.

We start the 3rd term well, the balls constantly in our forward zone, Beau grabs the ball on the half forward line and kicks our first goal of the ½, then Joel gets on the end of Chris's handball and kicks his 2nd goal, and we are 10 points ahead. Then the final ½ of the 3rd term St K dominate possession and kick 2 goals.

It's a very tight and tense last ¼, credit to both teams as they're all desperate for victory, Warbo kicks a great goal from a tight angle, then we kick a series of behinds and we are 1 point in front with 6 minutes to go. St K are doing a lot of attacking and our defence is holding up magnificently, but with 2 minutes to go, they finally take a pack mark and goal, and we run out of time and lose by 5 points.

It was a great effort by the team, the improvement in all the boys skill and game awareness is remarkable and a credit to all concerned. Next week is a bye before we get a chance to get our first win in the new division!



Location:

Koornang Park



Min:

8°C

Max:

16°C

Mostly Sunny

Goal Kickers:

Tom R. (3), Emin (2), Corby, Shamus and Bill T. (1)

Bear of the Week:

Lachy – Another quiet achiever in the team, he is a man that puts 100% into every game and makes his mark.

Game Highlights:

After a few slow starts, the Bears burst out the game with a speedy and unrelenting attack. Harry S. showed his intentions early with tacking so fierce it made the crowd wince. The attack was flying and any time Bentleigh tried to push forward, they were met by the incredibly speedy Shamus. Harry M-S was also joining in the tackling game and so Bentleigh were getting nowhere, with the famous stingy defence in full flight. Emin performed his usual “HULK SMASH!!!” performance in the middle and Jack brought down anyone who tried to store. Highlight of the quarter was Shamus’ running, around the corner kick for a goal – in the name of all that is sacred, someone buy him more energy gels!!! The Coach was well pleased with the quarter, saying that the ‘sleeping giant has awoken’ with a five goals to one start.

Well, while Bentleigh had a serious shock in the first quarter, they certainly handed it in back in the second. With a five goal breeze behind them, they kicked four goals and would have had a fifth if Aidan had not have stretched and got a fingertip to a ball on the line, vindicating the Sheedy like thinking that put him in the backline. The Bears sadly had no answer although there were some fine passages of play, with Corby being his usual silky smooth self out there on the wing and Huddo stepping up after a quiet first quarter. He pushed the ball hard and forward but Fletch was being brutally tagged and the Bears could not break through. This gave Bentleigh a slight lead and half time which made no one happy.

The ‘premiership’ quarter was a fantastic, mano a mano battle. Both sides were staring each other down and neither side would blink. Pincus must have been covered with bruises after the game with the number of smotherers he did this quarter, in one case smothering, catching the ball and then ping one of his trademarked torps up to the forward line. I haven’t mentioned him yet, but Tom Robb was in spectacular form during the game and went even higher in the third quarter. For the life of me, I cannot understand why opposition teams don’t mark him! He found space so many times and drove the ball forward it was baffling. Lachy played himself into and started doing some smart work in the midfield. There was a beeeeeeyutiful passage of play with Bill steaming out of the centre backline, squaring the ball to Jono who went

Bhayne – Steeping up in the ruck and really beginning to dominate there. Fantastic to have him in the team.

Harry S. – The man is on fire this season. Fast, tough and good hands. An absolute pleasure to watch.

for a run and then kicked so sweetly all Emin had to do wait for the delivery man to knock on the door and collect it. Unfortunately this was the only goal for the quarter, even with the breeze behind the Bears. The Bears Stingy Defence were just as tough though and both teams only managed one goal each.

Well, I wish I could tell you what happened in the fourth quarter but it was so stressful, gripping and heart stopping, my notes are unreadable. The Bears, to a man, stood up and threw everything they had at Bentleigh as they clawed their way back. First one goal to get them back within reach. Bentleigh tried to push back but I looked up and saw there were no players in the defensive half as the Bears built the wall and applied unrelenting pressure. Then there was another Bears goal and then the Bears were back in front by a point! Each side fought harder and harder but Bentleigh finally made a breakthrough – they couldn’t get a clear shot and the ball dribbled through for a behind. Scores tied with about a minute to go! The little old lady called for smelling salts – to be given to me! The siren finally went with no-one the victors but the Bears walked off, heads held high, knowing they had played themselves back into the game.

The weird feeling that follows the rare draw in this gentlemen’s game is thus what led to the baffling comments about sister kissing. I think it’s best we all just move on. The Bears are looking competitive though; Div 2 is a much tougher game than Div 3 but the lads are stepping up to it. While it was Mother’s Day, I do blame them for the loss; obviously the boys were up far too early cooking breakfast and also the Mum’s had said “Don’t lose today” – you must be more specific and ask for a win!

Big callout to Fletch who played his 100th game. Of course, this all goes back to the fine training that he received when he first started Auskick and we can only wonder and the brilliant gems handed down by the unknown football master back in those days (cough cough). Congrats Fletch on such a fantastic milestone and achieving it at this proud club.

Also a special call out to Billy from U16 who played an extra game – gave us a bench to work with which made a huge difference. Sir, you are a champion.

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