
Beverley Notes . . .

Last weekend we saw a huge crowd at the Beverley Oval, for the "Southern Derby". On a great day for footy we welcomed Beverley sponsors, members and past players for lunch and quite a few refreshments. Sunday really capped of a full weekend in the club. On Friday night we had a sausage sizzle at training with a Clayton's gambling night to follow. That is, we were supposed to gamble but due to unforeseen circumstances it was cancelled at the last minute and Brutus Millar had to organise a one man band to compensate. However this worked out well and an enjoyable night was had by all. Apparently Brutus also organised a quartet strip show for those who were capable around 12.30, and a grand performance they did show!

Also at the ground were the Channel seven cameramen, including commentary stars spot committee and Charlie Rogers, providing entertainment for those unlucky enough not to be present. The Reserves were struggling early with a car load of players sleeping in. After a stern word from coach Magpie, the team took the field, looking stronger than last week with the return of Jimmy and Charlie Aplin. We started well moving the ball forward with good teamwork and runners in Stu, Rooster and Cambs. Jack and Daubs seemed to have recovered from last week's drowning at Quairading and applied themselves to take some good marks and kicked truly. Unfortunately we then lapsed for a time, letting Brookton ping away at the goals only to see them post behinds instead of majors which would have seen us under pressure. Luckily our backline lead by Mouldy, Charlie and Frosty held strong and at half time we had a handy lead.

After the break we held on strongly but Brookton mounted a charge shortly after three quarter time. Having a nine goal lead you can't afford to lapse at the crucial time giving the opposition a sniff of victory.

RESERVE AWARDS: *R.A. McLean & Co* - Possum; *Muresk Students* - Rob Campbell (sleep in did you good!); *Freemasons Hotel* - Stu Giglia (again!); *Beverley Deli* - Jimmy; *Past Players* - Matt Daubney.

The League as with Reserves started quickly posting two goals in succession. After this we made hard work of things with the ball use straying as we moved forward. We didn't run to space as normal and this made our forward line look like peak hour on Kwinana Freeway. The Brookton backline held strong but we managed to build a rebounding wall across the centre with Magpie, Head and Shacks combining well. The past players at this stage were well primed on the hill and probably provided as much entertainment as that on the field. In the second half Beverley used the ball more effectively and we cruised to a comfortable win. Congratulations to Woggy and Fred on their first A Grade game for the season. Also we welcomed back Beabs, Stirls and Shacks from injury and short service leave. It was good to see a few players back in form after some weeks of down - out of form syndrome. With Wunkes, Matt and Aaron to return the side looks good for the coming games.

LEAGUE AWARD WINNERS: *Perth International Hotel / Past Players Award* (kindly donated by past player Allan Neville) - Sam Fisher; *Rod Smith / Frank McDonald* - Damon (Beabs) Fleay; *Nippers Carton* - Marc Edwards; *Primaries* - Sooty Henry; *McEvoy and Tyrer* - Bren (suicide) McLean; *Coaches Award* - Sunshine Millar (has been a power of work to the club all year - just deserved).

Well this week we take the pilgrimage to Kellerberrin and all in all we need the double!

Thanks to Marg and the ladies who fed over 200 people last weekend and thanks to the social committee for the organisation. It was a credit to the club.

Good luck to all players this weekend and for the finals series.
