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COVER PHOTOGRAPH: Jeff Farmer and Paul Medhurst celebrate the Wiz's final's securing goal against the Bulldogs. Photo: Getty Images

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A Brief History of the Doig Family

AROUND THE 1900s, five Doig brothers started the link with football in Fremantle when they joined the East Fremantle Football Club:

James (Scotty) Doig played 15 seasons from 1898 to 1915, playing 226 games and awarded life membership in 1912.

John (Hooky) Doig played 14 seasons from 1899 to 1912, playing 225 games and awarded life membership in 1914. He was killed in France in 1917 in the First World War.

Charles Doig (Senior) played 15 seasons from 1903 to 1921, playing 209 games and awarded life membership in 1915. From 1924 to 1936 he served as President of the East Fremantle Football Club.

Norman Doig played 20 games from 1905 to 1908.

Cleave Doig played 34 games for East Fremantle between 1910 and 1912. He then transferred to the South Fremantle Football Club where he played a further 47 games. He was elected President of the South Fremantle Football Club in 1933 and served in that capacity until 1939. He was awarded life membership of the South Fremantle Football Club in 1938.

The next generation at East Fremantle in the 1930s saw another five Doigs play with the Club, three sons of John (Hooky) Doig and two sons of Charles Doig (Senior):

Bill Doig played 62 games from 1932 to 1936

Norman Doig (Junior) played 138 games from 1932 to 1940. War service brought his career to an early end.

Edgar Doig played 14 games from 1932. He was killed in an industrial accident in 1934 aged 21 years.

Charles Doig (Junior) played 196 games from 1932. War service also interrupted his football career. However, after the war he returned to Captain the Club in 1946 when the team finished undefeated that year. In 1933 he was awarded the Lyn Medal as the Club's fairest and best and in 1945 was awarded life membership.

George Doig played 102 games from 1933 to 1941.

The Second World War also interrupted George's football career. He was awarded life membership in 1948.

Of the 10 Doig's who played for East Fremantle, five represented Western Australia on several occasions in interstate or Carnival matches.

At the same time, the next generation at South Fremantle saw three sons of James (Scotty) Doig play for the South Fremantle Football Club in the period from 1927 to 1940.

Ron Doig (Senior) commenced his football career at South Fremantle in 1927 as a 17 year old and at 21 years of age he was Captain/Coach of the Club. In the finals that year he sustained fatal injuries in a match against East Perth. He played 99 games during his short career, including State games for Western Australia in 1930. He was an outstanding sportsman having also represented Australia in cricket against South Africa on one occasion.

James Doig (Junior) played 114 games from 1927 and was awarded life membership in 1936.

Dave Doig played 78 games from 1937 to 1940. Dave represented Western Australia against Victoria in 1939.

The third generation at South Fremantle included four more Doigs.

Ron Doig (Junior), son of Dave Doig, played 117 games from 1959 to 1967, including a State game against Victoria in 1963.

Ron Bowe, grandson of James (Scotty) Doig, played 58 games from 1959 to 1963. He also represented Western Australia in Sheffield Shield cricket.

Ross Bowe, grandson of James (Scotty) Doig, played 43 games for South Fremantle in 1962/3 after returning to Fremantle from Canberra. He won South Fremantle's fairest and best award in 1963.

Don Doig, son of George Doig, played 4 games in 1963.



Club Champion Award Named

THE CLUB CHAMPION award to the fairest and best player in a season is one of the most prestigious and honoured awards for any player. This year the Fremantle Football Club will proudly unveil its new Club Champion award, the Doig Medal.

The Doig Medal honours the deep football heritage of Fremantle, represented by the many members of the Doig family over the years who have represented either East or South Fremantle Football Clubs since the beginning of the last century.

This year the Club had the honour of wearing a heritage jumper in the Round 19 game against the Kangaroos that had its origins in the original red and white playing uniform of the very first Fremantle Football Club of 1885.

The naming of the Doig Medal now completes the Club's recognition and honour of the rich football heritage of Fremantle.

Since 1898, the Doig family has been an integral part of the history of not only East and South Fremantle, but also of Western Australian football in general. The family has provided seven life memberships at either club, club best and fairest winners, and club administrators.

Tragically Ron Doig (Senior), who commenced his football career at South Fremantle in

1927 as a 17 year old, and at 21 years of age in 1932 as Captain/Coach of the Club, sustained fatal injuries in a finals match against East Perth. He played 99 games during his short career, including State games for Western Australia in 1930. He was an outstanding sportsman having also represented Australia in cricket against South Africa on one occasion. While many of the Doigs have played with East and South Fremantle since early last century (see page 2), perhaps the best known is George who started his football career with the East Fremantle Football Club in 1933, kicking 9 goals in his first match. He finished the season with 106 goals, the first person to score more than a hundred goals in a season.

In nine consecutive seasons from 1933 to 1941 George kicked more than one hundred goals a year, with a season average of 120 and a match average of 5.46 goals per game. He missed his first and only match in 1938 after 142 games and went on to play 202 games before retiring. He also kicked 62 goals in 14 state games.

George never missed getting a goal in any league match he played in and scored more than 10 goals in a game on 14 occasions. In 1934, George scored 19 goals

3 behinds one week and followed up the next game with 13 goals 4 behinds and finished the year with 152 goals.


In October 1934, George received a telegram sent from the South Melbourne Post Office that read "congratulations on your great performance." The telegram was sent by the legendary Bob Pratt who in that year kicked 150 goals for South Melbourne in the VFL.

In 1938, the East Fremantle Football Club played a match against a New South Wales team. A newspaper report on the match labelled George as the "Bradman of Australian Rules football" by virtue of his (then) six consecutive seasons of scoring more than 100 goals.

In September 1988 George was inducted into the Western Australian Hall of Champions, which includes representatives from all sports.

In October 1995 George was the inaugural Inductee into the Fremantle Football Club's Hall of Legends. As part of the East Fremantle Football Club's centenary celebrations in 1997, he was selected into the Team of the Century. In 1998 he was an Inaugural inductee in the Fremantle Sporting Wall of Fame and in 2000 he was selected into the West Australian Newspapers Football Team of the Century.

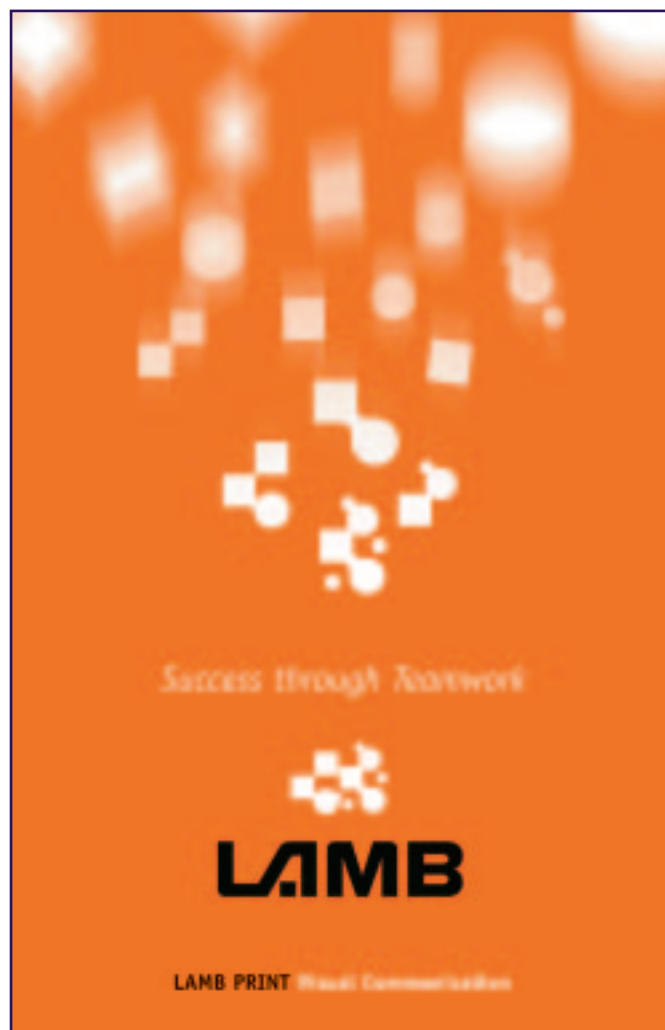
It is fitting that the best of the Fremantle Football Club every season will be awarded a medal named after one of the best that has ever played the game.



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Fremantle's Rich Football Heritage

THE AFL DEDICATED Round 19 to the theme of football's heritage, recognising the traditions and history of the game. Australian football clubs are among the oldest sporting clubs in the world and the intention of the Round 19 events was to support the fans' love of the game and for their team.

The Fremantle Football Club wore a jumper its Round 19 game against the Kangaroos at the MCG that had its origins in that worn by the Fremantle Football Club that contested the first premiership in 1885.

In that year, the premiership was contested by 4 Clubs – Rovers (predecessor of the Perth Football Club), Victorians and Perth High School all of which were Perth based plus Fremantle, who wore a red and white playing strip. Perth High School withdrew after only a couple of matches. In 1886, a second Fremantle-based side, Unions, brought the number of teams back to four. Fremantle won all seven matches contested. The Club's inaugural captain was Bill Bateman.

In 1887, Fremantle did not continue in the competition



leaving Unions as the only Fremantle team. Unions adopted Fremantle's red and white playing uniforms that year and in 1890, they adopted the Fremantle Football Club name. The team won flags in 1888 and 1889 as Unions and in 1890 as Fremantle. Between 1892 and 1896 Fremantle won five consecutive flags and were again successful in 1898, the Club's last season. The Club folded reputedly over a dispute with players over uniforms and train fares.

In 1898 a new club emerged at the Port, East Fremantle, wearing the blue and white they continue to wear today, and broke through for its first premiership in 1900, the year that also saw South Fremantle, wearing red and white, admitted to the competition.

Interestingly, in 1901 North Fremantle was admitted to the competition and with limited success would last only 15 seasons in the competition.

East and South Fremantle have since gone on to forge one of the most intense rivalries in football and the wearing of the red and white jumper of the original Fremantle Football Club in the Heritage Round against the Kangaroos recognises the rich football heritage of Fremantle.



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Freo's 23rd Man

"THERE IS no doubt that our supporters help us immensely when we play at home," says captain Peter Bell.

"The passion of our supporters and the noise they make gives us an added advantage by becoming our 23rd man."

"And our interstate supporters are growing in number, they are very passionate and vocal, we really do appreciate and respond to their support," Bell said. "It was great to get good wins in Melbourne this year and celebrate with them and none better than after the nail-biter against the Kangaroos at the MCG

Season 2003 has seen more people attend home games than at any other time in the Club's history. Home attendances surpassed the 300,000 mark in a season for the first time after the Round 18 game against Richmond. By the conclusion of the last home game in Round 20, a total of 337,486 people had



Players celebrate with Melbourne supporters at the MCG.

come to Subiaco Oval at an average of 30,681 per game.

Along the way, new home game attendance records have been set against every visiting team this year with the exception of the Round 4 game against the Kangaroos.

A new record for a non-Derby home game was set against the Western Bulldogs in Round 20 when 35,518 people watched the team secure the Club's historic first finals appearance.

And the increased attendances make a difference off the field with increased revenues contributing significantly to the Club's improved financial performance in 2003.



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Purple Haze a Success

THE FREMANTLE Football Club challenged members and supporters to create a Purple Haze for the Round 18 home game against Richmond. The Purple Haze game against Richmond aimed to be a unique day by creating a total and complete visual experience around the ground with all supporters, members, corporate guests and Fremantle staff donned in purple. The players joined in the spirit of the day, wearing a unique all purple playing uniform.

In a unique partnership with the Club, lawyers, Phillips Fox, sponsored the first Purple Haze game and as supporters of the Starlight Children's Foundation of Australia, the day was named the 2003 Phillips Fox/Starlight Purple Haze Game. Through this unique partnership, it was hoped that the day would also raise much needed funds for Starlight. Both the Phillips Fox and Starlight logos, like the Club, are distinctively purple, a



perfect synergy for Purple Haze.

The Starlight Children's Foundation, an international non-profit organisation dedicated to improving the quality of life for seriously ill children and their families. Working with more than 1000 hospitals, the Foundation provides an impressive menu of both in-hospital and outpatient programs and services. A leader in delivering distractive entertainment, Starlight's programs benefit over 100,000 children each month. The Foundation addresses the needs of seriously ill children and their families through six core programs, some directed specifically to the hospital

The Freo crowd got into the spirit of the day creating a real Purple Haze.

environment, others designed to support a child's eventual return to home and daily routine.

A group of excited Starlight Children visited the players change rooms before the game and met the Freo stars including Des Headland, Trent Croad, Byron Schammer, Luke McPharlin. The children got the rare opportunity of a photo with the players and to grab that cherished autograph. For six year old Starlight child Thomas Corkhill, the day was even more special as he got to meet both captains in the centre of the ground to toss the coin.

Starlight collectors at the game raised \$14,000 for Starlight, thanks to the generosity of Fremantle supporters and members. These funds will allow the Foundation to grant wishes to three Starlight children.

Senior Players, Jeff Farmer, Trent Croad, Luke McPharlin and Clive Waterhouse were appointed Starlight Ambassadors and will assist the Foundation in fundraising activities throughout 2003, particularly in the upcoming Celebrity Fashion Parade and Starlight's Biggest Ever Christmas Party.

Starlight Ambassadors Jeff Farmer, Trent Croad and Luke McPharlin and Phillips Fox Marketing Manager Jane Stacey present Starlight WA Manager Margaret Prout (far right) with a cheque for \$14,000 raised for the Foundation on Purple Haze Day.



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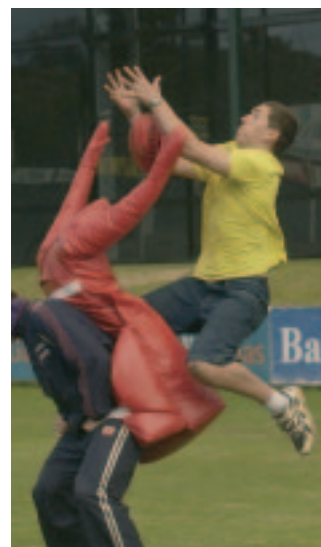
Customers Tackle the Dockers

A NUMBER of Alinta's commercial and industrial customers were invited along to a memorable Dockers Training Session at the Fremantle Oval on July 21. The lucky participants were encouraged to bring along their children to train with their heroes.

The afternoon kicked off with a photo session alongside some of the Dockers. Chris Connolly then gave everybody a tour of the facilities and spoke to them about the famous 'F' word.

The aspiring AFL players were then hustled onto the Fremantle Oval for a session of skills training that included kicking, marking and handballing.

Under the watchful eye of key personnel, everybody marked balls over a padded Trent Croad and refined their handballing and kicking techniques with Hasleby, Schammer, Simmonds and Waterhouse. Shaun McManus



entertained the children and kept them on the go.

After the training session, the exhausted participants mingled in the Alinta Barbecue Area for a well-earned sausage sizzle. The kids were rewarded for their efforts with signed footballs and posters to show their green-eyed friends.

Sue Dixon, Alinta's Customer Relationship Manager, said, "The afternoon was a huge success. The children and the big kids left Fremantle Oval with satisfied grins and a few weary muscles."

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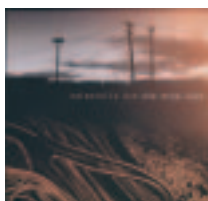
Music review with Luke McPharlin

Luke's Lounge

WELCOME to Luke's Lounge. Thanks to EMI/Virgin, I will be bringing reviews of the latest CDs to cater for all tastes for our members and supporters. Luke's Lounge is also available on the Club's Internet Site and I look forward to bringing you CD reviews each and every month.

ONE DROP EAST
SALMONELLA DUB

Australian group 'salmonella dub' blends a little bit of rap with funky beats and some interesting melodies in their album "one drop east". It appears, as you listen your way through this CD, that it's the music and not the vocal lines that are the focus. The vocals are few, and interspersed between long segments of clever musical arrangement. Furthermore, when delivered, the vocals are always seemingly in the



background, often with much reverb so that they really blend in. The opening two songs on the album “Longtime” and “Slide” are both very catchy tunes and have an almost reggae feel to them, while the next two – “Dancehall Girl” and “Nu Steppa” – are a little faster. I’d have to say my favourite song is track five – “Dub

Survivor". It has a really rolling beat to it supported by a pretty cool trumpet melody. For our younger readers interested in purchasing this album, parental consent may be required due

to its PG rating.

ANGEL

AMANDA PEREZ
Amanda Perez is the new girl on the block. The talented 22 year-old singer-songwriter-producer-rapper is making an impact on the music industry. You may be aware of her hit single "Angel" which has been getting some airtime



lately, and is also the title of her new album. She's adopted a lady-thug persona as evidenced by her music and appearance on the album's cover.

The songs are mostly about relationships and love, and possess a certain hip-hop flavour, however some selections feature smooth R&B harmonies. I enjoy the 'Angel' track the most, perhaps because its familiar to me but also because it was poignantly written about her cousin Mike, who was a major influence in her life, and who unfortunately died of heart-failure at the age of 31. This album grows on you!

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With entertainment by "special" guests including Tom Jones, Bette Midler and other celebrities, the evening successfully raised a substantial amount for the club.

The generally calm and controlled Chris Connolly was under the hammer to perform as he took the stage briefly as guest auctioneer. In his first outing as an auctioneer Chris will benefit from the experience in readiness for the 2004 auction.



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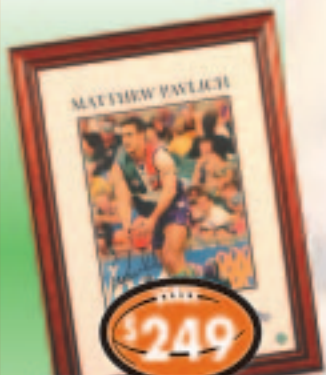


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THE TOP 5'S

Goals	Total	Ave Per Game
Paul Medhurst	48	2.2 (22 games)
Justin Longmuir	38	1.8 (21 games)
Matthew Pavlich	35	1.6 (22 games)
Jeff Farmer	26	1.4 (19 games)
Peter Bell	20	0.9 (12 Games)

Total Disposals	Total	Ave Per Game
Peter Bell	570	25.9 (22 games)
Paul Hasleby	533	24.2 (22 games)
Matthew Pavlich	431	19.6 (22 games)
Troy Cook	399	18.1 (22 games)
Shaun McManus	381	17.3 (22 games)

Kicks	Total	Ave Per Game
Peter Bell	336	15.3 (22 games)
Paul Hasleby	325	14.8 (22 games)
Matthew Pavlich	318	14.5 (22 games)
Shaun McManus	259	11.8 (22 games)
Troy Cook	252	11.5 (22 games)
Matthew Carr	252	12.6 (20 games)

Handballs	Total	Ave Per Game
Peter Bell	234	10.6 (22 games)
Paul Hasleby	208	9.5 (22 games)
Troy Cook	147	6.7 (22 games)
Shaun McManus	122	5.6 (22 games)
Matthew Pavlich	113	5.1 (22 games)

Tackles	Total	Ave Per Game
Troy Cook	99	4.5 (22 games)
Shaun McManus	75	3.4 (22 games)
Peter Bell	70	3.2 (22 games)
Matthew Pavlich	57	2.6 (22 games)
Roger Hayden	50	2.5 (20 games)

Hit Outs	Total	Ave Per Game
Troy Simmonds	322	15.3 (21 games)
Aaron Sandilands	312	17.3 (18 games)
Justin Longmuir	73	3.5 (21 games)
Matthew Pavlich	28	1.3 (22 games)

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At the end of the 2003 season

	P	W	D	L	F	A	%	Pts
Port Adelaide	22	18	0	4	2229	1752	127.23	72
Collingwood	22	15	0	7	2259	1858	121.58	60
Brisbane	22	14	1	7	2295	1882	121.94	58
Sydney	22	14	0	8	2142	1862	115.04	56
Fremantle	22	14	0	8	2143	2078	103.13	56
Adelaide	22	13	0	9	2114	1754	120.52	52
West Coast	22	12	2	8	2326	1982	117.36	52
Essendon	22	13	0	9	2190	1960	111.73	52
Hawthorn	22	12	0	10	2011	1999	100.6	48
Kangaroos	22	11	1	10	2185	2223	98.29	46
St Kilda	22	11	0	11	2095	2187	95.79	44
Geelong	22	7	1	14	1819	2025	89.83	30
Richmond	22	7	0	15	1846	2078	88.84	28
Melbourne	22	5	0	17	1899	2344	81.02	20
Carlton	22	4	0	18	1784	2674	66.72	16
Western Bulldogs	22	3	1	18	2014	2693	74.79	14

PLAYED ALL 22 GAMES:

Paul Hasleby	Matthew Pavlich
Shaun McManus	Peter Bell
Troy Cook	Paul Medhurst
James Walker	Robert Hadrill



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Round 13 v Hawthorn

Sunday 29 June at York Park, Launceston, Tasmania

Fremantle	10	8	68
Hawthorn	15	8	98

Goals: Bell 3, J. Longmuir 2, Pavlich 2, Hasleby 1, Farmer 1, Medhurst 1

Kicks: Bell 15, Pavlich 15

Handballs: Hasleby 15

Disposals: Hasleby 29

Marks: Hayden 6, Hasleby 6, Simmonds 6



Round 14 v Brisbane

Saturday 5 July at Subiaco Oval

Fremantle	10	15	75
Brisbane	10	12	72



Goals: Pavlich 2, Medhurst 2, Schammer 1, Hasleby 1, Headland 1, J. Longmuir 1, Bell 1, Farmer 1

Kicks: Cook 27

Handballs: Hasleby 14

Disposals: Cook 35

Marks: Cook 11, McPharlin 11



Round 15 v Collingwood

Saturday 12 July at MCG

Fremantle	7	16	58
Collingwood	15	9	99

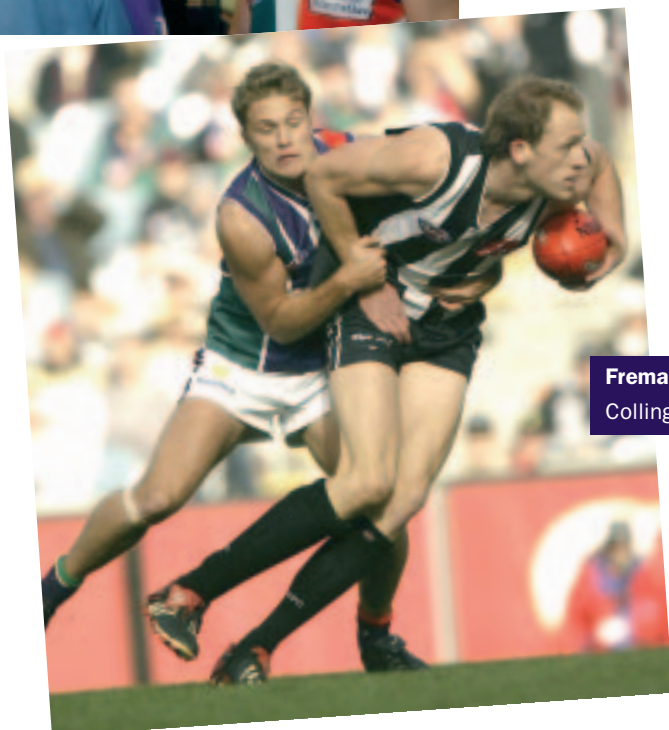
Goals: Pavlich 3, Farmer 2, Simmonds 1, Bell 1

Kicks: Woods 15, McManus 15

Handballs: Bell 9

Disposals: McManus 21

Marks: Carr 8, Hadrill 8





Round 16 v Adelaide

Sunday 20 July 2003 at Subiaco Oval

Goals: Farmer 4, J. Longmuir 3, Carr 3, Simmonds 1, Medhurst 1

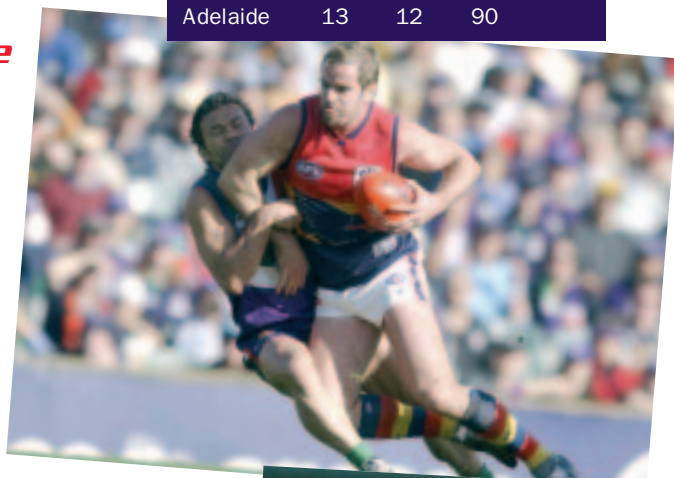
Kicks: Bell 21

Handballs: Hasleby 14

Disposals: Bell 33

Marks: Polak 8, McPharlin 8, Bell 8

Fremantle	13	13	91
Adelaide	13	12	90



Round 17 v Sydney

Sunday 27 July 2003 at SCG

Fremantle	14	13	97
Sydney	17	9	111

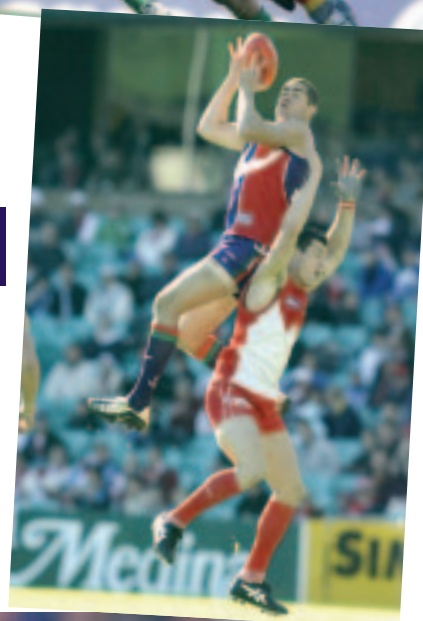
Goals: Medhurst 3, Croad 3, Carr 1, Cook 1, J. Longmuir 2, T. Longmuir 2, Pavlich 2

Kicks: Pavlich 14

Handballs: Hasleby 14

Disposals: Pavlich 17

Marks: Croad 8



Round 18 v Richmond

Saturday 2 August 2003 at Subiaco Oval

Fremantle	15	14	104
Richmond	11	15	81

Goals: Medhurst 3, Bell 3, T. Longmuir 2, Simmonds 1, Cook 1, J. Longmuir 1, Headland 1, McManus 1, Pavlich 1

Kicks: Headland 16

Handballs: Cook 12, Bell 12

Disposals: Bell 26

Marks: Headland 9





Round 19 v Kangaroos

Sunday 10 August 2003 at MCG

Fremantle	15	9	99
Melbourne	15	8	98

Kicks: Pavlich 19

Handballs: Hasleby 13

Disposals: Bell 25, Pavlich 25

Marks: Parker 8

Goals: T. Longmuir 3, Medhurst 2, Pavlich 2, Headland 2, McManus 1, J. Longmuir 1, Hasleby 1, Farmer 1, Cook 1, Bell 1



Round 20 v Western Bulldogs

Sunday 17 August 2003
at Subiaco Oval

Kicks:

Carr 17

Handballs:

Bell 16

Disposals:

Carr 26

Marks:

Carr 10

Fremantle	18	25	133
W. Bulldogs	12	5	77

Goals: Medhurst 4, Pavlich 3, Farmer 3, Croad 2, Hayden 1, McManus 1, Hasleby 1, Cook 1, Carr 1, Headland 1



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Round 21 v Essendon

Saturday 23 August 2003 at Telstra Dome

Fremantle	11	7	73
Essendon	20	13	133

Goals: Medhurst 4, Simmonds 3, Pavlich 1, J. Longmuir 1, Carr 1, Bell 1

Kicks: Bell 21

Handballs: Bell 12, Hasleby 12

Disposals: Bell 33

Marks: Bell 10, Pavlich 10



Goals: Medhurst 3, Farmer 2, J. Longmuir 2, Sandilands 1, Simmonds 1, Pavlich 1, Walker 1, T. Longmuir 1, Hasleby 1, Bell 1



Round 22 v West Coast

Saturday 30 August at Subiaco Oval

Fremantle	14	12	96
West Coast	11	16	82



Kicks: Bell 18

Handballs: Hasleby 14

Disposals: Hasleby 29

Marks: McPharlin 9

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THE HIGHLIGHT for me of what was a great win for Fremantle was Sandilands' goal. Normally, if you see a giant purple people eater pluck a ball from the sky, pause to swat at the pesky humans who tried to use him as a ladder and then turn to kick truly, you would double-check your prescription – or start a new religion.

*After playing Sydney
Round 2 at Subiaco*

IF I WANTED to see 36 men juggling a piece of soap in a torrential downpour, I would get an Arts Council grant and stage it myself. Properly. With music.

*After playing Richmond
Round 3 at the MCG*

AT TIMES SO far this season, the Freo game plan has resembled an unmade bed; the cover askew, the pillows everywhere, little or no comfort. Sunday saw a saviour in the shape of Troy "Snakeman" Simmonds. He grabbed the game by the scruff of the neck, shook it out and laid it flat – neat, clean, and, most importantly, straight. His centre square dominance made our journey to goal so direct it's like he spent the pregame warmup laying out string lines.

*After playing the Kangaroos
Round 4 at Subiaco*

BELLIE BOBBED up as often as Gerard Depardieu in French film throughout the 1980s.

*After playing the Kangaroos
Round 4 at Subiaco*

CONGRATULATIONS to the boys and especially to that most loyal servant, Shane Parker, a man for whom the word "dignity" was invented. Parks, Action Man, The Twig of Integrity – call him what you will, he won't answer. But he will give everything he has.

*After playing the Kangaroos
Round 4 at Subiaco*

CAN I SAY now that Shauny McManus played the game of several lifetimes and when he slotted that bomb on the run, ran to the camera, fist raised and hair doing whatever the hell Shauny Mac's hair does, I was right there with him. How sweet was that look of vindicated righteousness.

*After playing the
Western Bulldogs
Round 7 at Telstra Dome*

SOME TIME after the game my mum gave me a call to find out if we'd won. She was watching the third quarter on the "live" telecast and couldn't take it anymore. She had to know the result. This from a woman whose experience of footy is such that she delightedly squeals "Oh, they've kicked another one," when an instant replay is shown. She may not know much about footy, but she knows a winner when she sees one.

*After playing St Kilda
Round 8 at Subiaco*

IN A CONFUSING theological about-face, we conquered the Saints this week and now we battle with the Demons. Clear the area, kiddies, I sense an exorcism in the air.

*After playing St Kilda
Round 8 at Subiaco*

AFTER THE game Tony Shaw, in the commentary box, had a few troubles deciding whether or not Freo are the real McCoy. He did more hedging than a Government House gardener.

*After playing Melbourne
Round 9 at the MCG*

THE GENIUS That Is Roger Hayden ran the ball out like his entry into heaven depended upon it. With the pace of a beestung dingo and the easy purpose of an Eddie Charlton opening break, The Genius floats up the corridor, head up, looking for the best option...

*After playing Melbourne
Round 9 at the MCG*

THE GOOD news is that we won, there was a record crowd and we made a profit. The bad news is the bill just came in for Robert Hadrill's medical supplies. Sir Robert must have shares in the bandaging business. He's single-handedly keeping the industry afloat, copping more punishment each week than the back seat of a school bus.

*After playing Carlton
Round 10 at Subiaco*

MEDHURST is a freak, a magician, probably a God to some small tribe in the South Pacific. He's so strong that at one point I thought he was going to clang two Blues together right on the goal line, flourishing them like cymbals at the end of a self-penned symphony. For some obscure reason he had them both by the jumper and, once he realised they were there, he tossed them aside in his frustration like they were losing Lotto tickets.

*After playing Carlton
Round 10 at Subiaco*

BALLS STICK in Longmuir's hands like day-old Weetbix on a highchair and he had no trouble dropping it onto the boot and kicking a goal from about five millimetres out.

*After playing Carlton
Round 10 at Subiaco*

I WAS TEARING up my seat in frustration, throwing food and drinks around the place, starting fights, and would have been thrown out if I wasn't watching it at home on the telly. Yeah, that's right. The most exciting game all season and I was at home minding the baby.

*After playing Geelong
Round 12 at Subiaco*

WHEN CAPTAIN Bell slotted yet another at the start of the fourth quarter, I was looking ahead to some September action that didn't involve watching teams you don't care about play teams you hate.

*After playing Geelong
Round 12 at Subiaco*

THE WINDY conditions made it difficult for precision football, but they made it perfect for freaky goals, ridiculously physical contests and more tension than a clock wound up by a 300-pound silverback gorilla.

*After playing Brisbane
Round 14 at Subiaco*

CONGRATULATIONS to all the fellas. Special mention must go to Troy Cook for bringing his own ball

*After playing Brisbane
Round 14 at Subiaco*

LUKE MCPHARLIN continued on his personal mark-a-thon, carrying his personal total to numbers too large to reckon. Prettier than any man has a right to be, Luke has more mongrel in him than a bogan's backyard. While the various stats that are kept on the modern game are quite amazing in their breadth of scope and detail, they don't go far enough for me. There should be stats for "lazy chest marks taken in impossibly difficult pack-marking situations" or "degree of nonchalance shown after performing ridiculously difficult manoeuvre". Needless to say, McPharlin would have those two areas sewn up.

*After playing Adelaide
Round 16 at Subiaco*

I'M NOT using the ridiculous size of the ground as an excuse, but it certainly looks as though it was put together by Playschool's set designer. Circles meet squares all over the place; I spent half the game wondering what was behind the arch.

*After playing Sydney
Round 17 at the SCG*

AS NEAR perfect a goal sneak as you can get, Medhurst has nailed the chief requirement: that you'd hate him if he wasn't one of yours. Being one of yours, you love him and the fact he dishes out more cheek than a schoolbus of mooning teenagers.

*After playing Richmond
Round 18 at Subiaco*

WHICH BRINGS me to Captain Bell. You'd pay a bit more for this fella. Not content with covering more of the field than the grass itself, Bellie took to the air on Saturday. In the opening quarter, he took a pack mark over the likes of Longmuir, J. Literally over. In ordinary circumstances Bellie would need the help of a ladder to clip Justin over the ear.

*After playing Richmond
Round 18 at Subiaco*

THE PURPLE Haze part of the pithily titled Phillips Fox/Starlight Foundation Purple Haze Game worked a treat. I sit in the three-tier stand and I looked out along the flanks and admired the purpleness. The Subiaco Rd side of the ground was more purple than the bruises Kane Johnson would be sporting after that Jeff Farmer tackle. It actually was a haze effect. Brighter colours would have obviously stuck out more, but the purple fiddled with your mind, buzzing along mauvely in your peripheral vision.

*After playing Richmond
Round 18 at Subiaco*

THE LAST time we played the Tigers, it was wetter than the inside of a squid.

*After playing Richmond
Round 18 at Subiaco*

DJ HAD THE first score – a sensational burst through the centre and long bomb for a goal in the opening minute – and the last; a point Freo people will be talking about for years. "Any score will do," was the cry and it somehow seems more perfect that the lesser score did the trick. Sure, there were heart attacks all across Australia and the Freo marketing people are going to have to consider membership drives in cardio wards, but how sweet was it? Really.

*After playing the Kangaroos
Round 19 at the MCG*

MY INCREDIBLY elegant and beautiful wife, who cares little for The Great Game, was doing more shouting and crying and air-punching than I have ever done. When Troy kicked true to even the scores, I thought my missus was going to tear one of my arms off.

*After playing the Kangaroos
Round 19 at the MCG*

...SNAKE SIMMONDS' ankle is the only injury concern. You've always got to worry about someone who collects snakes and reptiles. One wonders if, when the goanna oil comes out, Troy knew the goanna it came from. Needless to say, the Fremantle Faithful are wishing him the best... Probably even the goanna.

*After playing the Western
Bulldogs Round 20 at Subiaco*

IT LOOKED to me like Sandi slipped on the treacherous sands of Docklands, so I immediately and quite sensibly pinned the blame on the groundskeeper. The surface, which used to shift like a politician's promise, was actually alright all night and the blame couldn't stay at the gardener's door for long.

*After playing Essendon
Round 21 at Telstra Dome*

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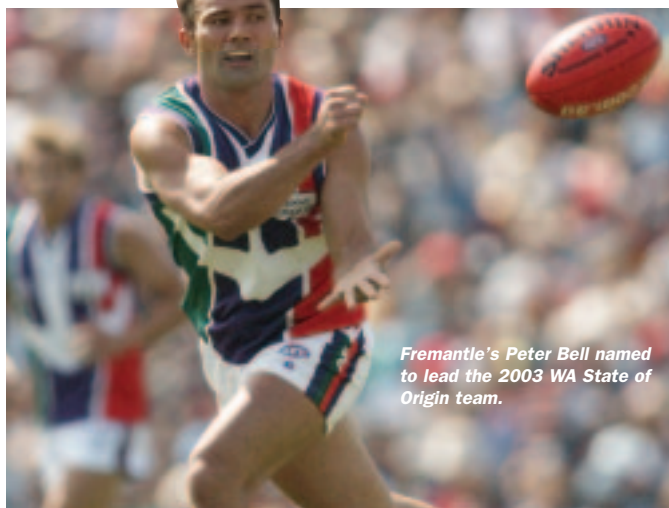
Salv has been a Dockers fan and member (and a Carlton Midstrength drinker) for a few years now.

Season Honours

STATE SELECTIONS

This year's WA State of Origin side, named on 12 August, included six Fremantle players in recognition of outstanding performances in season 2003. Inspirational Fremantle captain Peter Bell was named WA captain and included first time State of Origin selections for Robert Hadrill and Graham Polak,

key components of the so-called "no names" backline that have helped Fremantle achieve its best ever season in the AFL. For Matthew Carr, Shaun McManus and Paul Hasleby their selections yet again in the state team recognise their continued good performances in 2003. *Congratulations to all our WA State of Origin selections.*



Fremantle's Peter Bell named to lead the 2003 WA State of Origin team.

Rising Stars



THIS YEAR has seen three of Fremantle's exciting young talent nominated for the National AFL Rising Star. Nominations for the prestigious award were Graham Polak (Round 9), Aaron Sandilands (Round 14) and Byron Schammer (Round 13). Paul Hasleby won the award in 2000, a year that also saw Paul finish second in the Club Champion Award behind Troy Cook.



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Membership News

What a year it has been for the Fremantle Football Club

THE PASSION and loyalty of the Club's members is legendary and the support given over the years, both financially and emotionally, has been remarkable. This support has never been more important than in season 2003.

Season 2004 promises to be another year of great entertainment, fantastic events and the feeling of pride that comes with knowing that you are contributing the ongoing success of your team.

For those who have supported the club to its first finals appearance since joining the competition in 1995 – we thank you. We couldn't have done it without you and we value your continued support.

We aim to make your membership experience the most rewarding in WA and have a range of membership categories on offer in 2004 to cater for all tastes.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

Membership renewal information will be mailed mid October to existing members and will have specific information about membership options and pricing for 2004. If you have changed or are in the process of changing address please make sure that you let us know so that your renewal forms and 2004 season information arrive on time and at the right address.

As in previous years, members will be offered first option on the same seat they held for the 2003 season. Current members can also choose to change seats if they wish but will be subject to availability and processed by the order in which they are received – so get your forms in as soon as possible!

The last date for submitting your renewal information to the Club is *November 28* – it is very important that you get your

information to us by this date in order to ensure that you receive your 2003 reserved seating for the 2004 season.

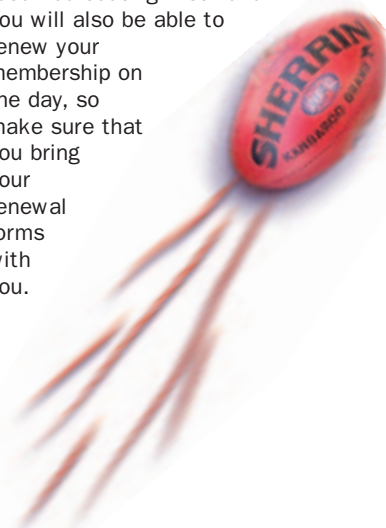
In addition, all 2004 members will receive a detailed members' information guide when they receive their membership card in February, which contains all the information you need for a hassle-free enjoyable football season.

PAYMENT OPTIONS

Again in 2004 we are making it as easy as possible to join by offering direct debit, online and pay by phone payment options for new and renewing members. Online and pay by phone processing will only be available to season ticket holders renewing their membership without changing their reserved seats or to those people purchasing one of the club memberships without reserved seating (e.g. supporter club members).

OPEN DAY AT SUBIACO OVAL

Members and those new to the club are all welcome to attend the open day at Subiaco Oval on Sunday November 2nd, between 11am and 2pm. This is a great opportunity to come down to the ground and check the availability and position of reserved seating first hand. You will also be able to renew your membership on the day, so make sure that you bring your renewal forms with you.



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HELLO KIDS! Welcome back to another edition of Wiz Kidz! Your support has definitely paid off as the team had its best ever season and made the finals for the first time in the history of the club. We are all really excited and want to make sure you stick with us for Season 2004 and be part of the action.

I am still excited from our fabulous win against the Bulldogs on August 17 at Subiaco Oval. Apart from the fact that I kicked a few goals, it was great to assist one of our young guys, Roger Hayden, kick his first AFL goal. It was the highlight of a great game. It was also a special experience to know that we had made the finals, especially for the guys like Shaun McManus and Shane Parker, who have been with Fremantle since the beginning.

After the finals we will all be on a well deserved break, but will be back into training at the end of the year, preparing for Season 2004. Make sure you get Mum and Dad to join you up as junior members for next season. The friendly membership team will be happy to help with any enquiries regarding junior membership. They can be contacted on 9433 7111. The team will put on a great show for you and it will be a season not to be missed. It would be great to see our junior member numbers jump to the highest in the AFL, and I am sure that all of the kids in Western Australia love to support the Fremantle Dockers.

Ok guys gotta go, I look forward to seeing you all next season. We will be back for pre season training in early November, so get on board over the break and be ready to go by the time the season kicks off next year. Remember that all of the players appreciate your support and without you, none of us would be where we are today. Thank you and see you next year.

Jeff Farmer

A Big Thank You!

THROUGHOUT the year, the following companies have played an integral role in making the junior clubs and clinics a success:

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The Fremantle Football Club would like to thank all of

these companies for their generosity and support.

Without them the junior membership clubs and the junior clinics would not have been as successful as they have been in Season 2003. As junior membership numbers have increased dramatically, the Fremantle Football Club is looking forward to continuing

the relationship with these companies into Season 2004.

The club would also like to thank the Cheer Squad for all of their efforts over the Season. It was a credit to their organisation and loud noise that gave the team that extra edge at all of our home games this season. A special thank

you must go to Sally Bostwick for all of the time she has devoted to getting the cheer squad up and running as a professional unit. We look forward to many more years of success and lots of yelling and screaming from behind the goals. Keep up the great work guys and see you next Season.

DOCKER TRIVIA

WORD PUZZLE

Fill in the missing words:

- F Fremantle will play in these for the first time
R One of the colours in our jumper
E Des Headland's jumper number
M Surname of player who wears number 18
A Broke his hand against Brisbane in Round 14
N Matthew Carr's jumper number
T This player has Simmonds as his last name
L This player played his first AFL game Round?
E The team we play against in the Derby

QUIZ TIME

1. Name the Fremantle Dockers major sponsor?
2. Who kicked their first AFL goal Round 20 against the Western Bulldogs?
3. Byron Shammer's Guernsey number?
4. Where did Fremantle finish on the ladder in Season 2002?
5. Name the vice captains of the Fremantle Football Club?
6. Which AFL team did Matthew Carr play for before Fremantle?

Email your answers to Docker Trivia at:

competitions@fremantlefc.com.au to go into the draw for your chance to win one of five family passes to the new Miramax Film Corp movie 'Spy Kids 3D: Game Over'.

Outstanding Letter

DURING THE YEAR the club has received a huge amount of fan mail and it is great to see the support from kids all over Australia. Keep it coming! We recently received a poem from Justine McCullagh in Swan Hill, Victoria, which she wrote for a writing competition at her school. We were so impressed that we have decided to put it in this edition of Wiz Kidz. Great work Justine and thanks for your support!

The warm up is finished and its time to begin,
Freo is here,

And they are here to win.

The ball is bounced,
The game's begun,
Bell wins possession
Kicks to Carr on the run.

Koops takes a speccy,
Handpasses to Croad,
He slots it from fifty,
Freo can win on the road.

Connolly's interchange is doing the trick,
As Pav comes on, and collects six quick kicks.

Simmonds in the centre,
He wins the tap,
Hasleby scoops it up and kicks in to Medhurst's lap.

A goal is scored, the lead extended,
Leaving the opposition supporters looking bored and de-friended.

That recruit Headland's sure having a game as he goals from forty,
He's sure to have three votes to his name.

Croad marks strongly, kicks goal number nine,
The final siren sounds, Freo are over the line.

In the rooms, the song's sung with heart, they have made it to the finals, ready to play a big part.

Coming soon...



In SPY KIDS 3D: GAME OVER secret agent siblings Carmen (Alexa Vega) and Juni (Daryl Sabara) Cortez are back and on their most mind-blowing mission yet. When Carmen gets lost inside a new video game created by the power hungry ToyMaker, Juni is called into action. Journeying inside the virtual reality world, Juni must battle levels of increasing difficulty to find Carmen so that they can join forces to outwit and defeat the ToyMaker's final, fifth level, and shut down the game before it's GAME OVER for everyone.

This time most of the action is in 3D, bringing the awe-inspiring graphics and creatures of gaming to real life for eye-popping excitement on screen through the use of special viewing glasses. Action film veteran Sylvester Stallone plays the villain, the ToyMaker, a nemesis of the Cortez family, who has created the game as a trap to take over the youth of the world. Ricardo Montalban makes a comeback as the Spy Kids' grandfather, a veteran spy who plays a pivotal role in their mission.

Antonio Banderas and Carla Cugino reprise their roles as spy-parents Gregorio and Ingrid Cortez. Also returning are Steve Buscemi as the mad scientist Romero, Alan Cumming as Floop, Mike Judge as Donnagon, Bill Paxton as Dinky Winks, with Cheech Marin as Uncle Felix, Danny Trejo as Machete and Holland Taylor as Grandma Cortez. In this last chapter of the Spy Kids trilogy, the film also stars Salma Hayek as OSS agent Cesca Giggles and George Clooney making a return cameo with one or two surprise cameos along the way.

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