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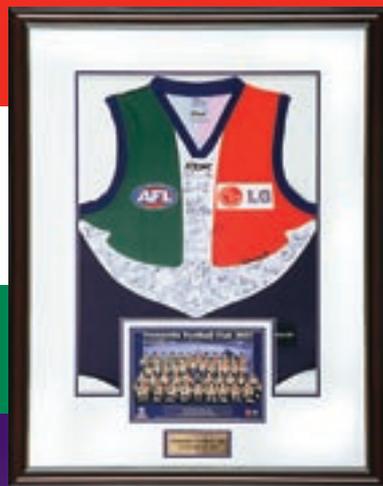
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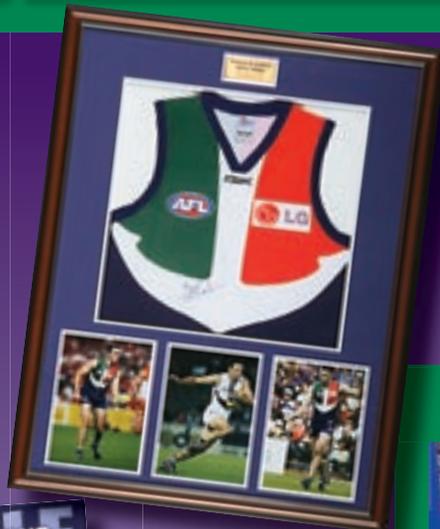
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COVER: Shaun & Meegan at home with Lachlan & Cooper. Picture: Annaliese Frank

## Hanging at Harvard

CHIEF EXECUTIVE Officer Cameron Schwab returned on 24 May after spending ten weeks in Boston attending the Advanced Management Programme at Harvard University. The intensive programme involved 157 participants from 30 countries and all continents from a broad cross section of industries and government. Of this contingent, 19 were Australians. The programme featured leading management gurus such as Michael Porter, John Kotter, and Bob Kaplan as well as special guest speakers including Ramon Calderon, the President of Real Madrid. While the programme was intensive, the Australians found ways to make the little spare time remind them of home, and of course that involved a footy.

The hallowed steps of Harvard University were the scene for some members of "the team" to get the obligatory photo – though our CEO needed a helping hand to pose for "a hanger" (note the protrusion of the tongue was required for added lift).



## Road (not) well travelled

TRAVEL IS a fact of life in the national competition. Over the years, the process of moving a travel party of over 45 players, coaches and support staff along with over 900kgs of gear around the country has operated with a clinical precision, as had the organisation of hotels, transport, meals, drinks and training venues.

Most locations are visited regularly each year. Added complexities occur depending on the fixtures in any year, such as a game in Darwin, but for the most part it's all pretty much stock standard. Until, that is, the trip to Geelong in round 8 that proved to be a trip of epic proportions.

Departure from Perth on Thursday for the Saturday game was as normal with departure at 12:50pm. Wrong. The flight was delayed over two hours. The arrival time in Melbourne was now going to be 8:30pm instead of 6:30pm.

After every flight, there is a wait for all the gear to do its rounds of the baggage carousel and then to be loaded onto the bus for the trip to the hotel. The trip to the hotel in Geelong would take another hour.

The late arrival in Melbourne was then followed by an extra long delay waiting for the gear to make its entrance on the carousel. When it did, the endless



procession of people carrying bags and gear back and forth to the bus began. It takes a reasonable amount of time to pack 900kgs of gear into the bus.

As the last items were being packed, the bus driver thought it appropriate to "fire-up" the bus ready to go. Wrong, again! The bus simply just sat there in silence. The mechanic would be an hour and a replacement bus would be two.

Plan B. There wasn't actually a plan B, but one was created. Four hire cars were procured to get the players down to Geelong and settled into the hotel. Luckily a small group of players and several coaches had taken the earlier flight and were already comfortably settled into the byside accommodation in Geelong. That left everyone else sitting with the stationery bus, piles of gear on the footpath and a good sense of humour waiting for the mechanic who duly arrived and with a flick of the screwdriver and a hit with the

## A New Carr

PROUD PARENTS Matthew and Leith welcomed the arrival of son Beau Matson on 24 March, a new playmate for brother Jaren and sister Talah.



## German Invasion...

WELL THAT'S what faced Keilor in the Melbourne A Grade Essendon District Football League Reserve Grade when Oak Park rolled out three somewhat aged and well worn Germans. Baby brother and Fremantle Assistant Coach Peter German teamed up with brothers Craig and Trevor for a one-off game on the Saturday following the Collingwood game.

Oak Park is Peter's junior club and while he has played well over 150 junior games with the club, he has only played one senior game. Peter, of course, went on to play 185 senior games with North Melbourne and become a life member of the Kangaroos.

This year is Oak Park's 50th anniversary and like most local footy clubs getting funds to keep the club going is hard work. So Peter volunteered to stay in Melbourne after the Friday night clash with the Pies to pull on the boots again with his brothers. This was first time they had all played together. After the game he then MC'd the fundraising event later that evening.

"Both Craig and Trevor have played over 150 games each for Oak Park and it was good to play our first game together," German said. "Trouble was it didn't last long with Craig doing a hammy in the first 10 minutes and we never saw him again."

"It was left to Trevor and I to carry the burden.

"Let's face it Craig has let himself go over the years, he has been in a good paddock and I was surprised that he even lasted 10 minutes to be honest," said German.

Well how did things go? Peter's summary of Craig's game was short: "he kicked a couple."

On his own game, "20 kicks, 13 handballs, 2 goals, and 3 votes from the umpires". The self-proclaimed Oak Park historian will no doubt build on this so that his game eventually reaches legendary status in a few years time!

The Oak Park seniors defeated their old nemesis Keilor to record their 500th club win, a fitting way to celebrate the club's anniversary year. And by all accounts the MC of the fund raising event, attended by over 350 people, did a pretty good job on the night.

hammer got the bus going.

The luggage was loaded and the remaining crew piled on the bus. At last, on the way to Geelong.

Not quite. About 300 metres after setting off, the luggage door on the bus, obviously not latched properly, flew open and bags spilled onto the freeway. Stop. Collect bags. Lock door. Double check door. Triple check door. Off again.

At this point its 10:30pm and the remainder of the trip is pretty uneventful.

It's 11:15pm and we finally arrive at the hotel in Geelong. From the airport to arrival at the hotel, the trip had taken over 11 hours.

There was another group including Assistant Coach Steve Malaxos, Skills Coach Earl Spalding and the club doctor Ken Withers, who were departing Perth on Friday morning and set to join the rest of the travelling party at the hotel at 4:30pm that afternoon. Wrong. The flight was not only delayed from Perth it was cancelled. The earliest flight they could get was, you guessed it, 11:25pm. The dreaded red-eye would get them into Melbourne at 5:30am. Then they faced the road trip to Geelong, finally arriving at 6:45am on the day of the game.

For everyone else who had a good night sleep, sympathy was duly shared with the travel weary colleagues.

A pre-game snack, muffins and the like, is provided in the main meals area at 10:30am as it is on game day on all away trips. The bus was due to leave the hotel at 12:15pm to go to the ground. Time for a snack, a shower, pack the bags and check-out. Wrong. The hotel had programmed the electronic keys to deactivate at 11:00am. Oops. Everyone is now locked out of their rooms. A bit of waiting time for re-programming every room key.

In the lobby, bus waiting (yes – the engine was running) and ready to go. The Assistant Coaches were taking one of the hire cars to the ground. Wrong. While packing the bags into the boot, one locked the car keys inside. No names will be mentioned but Kelly O'Donnell was embarrassed.

While everyone arrived at the ground on time, it seemed that everything was back to normal. Wrong. With the club song playing the team banner was hoisted by the Victorian Cheer Squad only to encounter the fierce winds coming off Corio Bay and quickly collapsed back onto the ground where it remained.

What a trip!



# Hurdles Make for Difficult First Half

THE FIRST half of the year has come to an end and we have all have taken a breath over the split round before the run home and what is shaping to be another tight season, probably the closest we have seen in a long while.

When we headed into the season, I think we all knew that we had some tough assignments and high expectations. You never really know how the other 15 teams have prepared and developed over summer.

The first half provided many hurdles for us, some were put there for us and some we put there ourselves.

We have come up against some in-form sides, some that have surprised the competition with how well they have developed and progressed in the first twelve games. We have played some inconsistent football at times mixed with patches of the good footy that we know we can play. We have missed having our best team on the field due to injury and suspension throughout the first twelve weeks.

It is fair to say that our start to the season, especially three losses in the first three games, put us behind the eight ball. We entered the break reflecting especially on chances that we did not seize over the first half of the season, but focused on looking forward.

Some will look at our discipline and much has been said and written about this. It is not appropriate to put a blanket statement over this aspect of our game but rather look at each individual case and make an assessment on each. As we have said many times, if a player puts his personal feelings ahead of the team on the field, then that is something that has to be addressed. That has occurred on occasion.

We also had to address another disciplinary issue early in the year, and I of course I refer

to Jeff Farmer. It was a difficult decision for the club but one that was necessary in the circumstances. The difficulty in these instances is to balance the effect on the club against the loss to the club of a player. In this instance the loss was significant, but the club stood firm in its resolve to maintain the right culture.

I am sure we all look forward to a second half with consistent winning performances with our best team taking the field each week as we make our way to our goal of another finals campaign.

There has also been much to enjoy as well over the first half of the year. We have celebrated Shaun McManus reach the memorable milestone of 200 games as well as Paul Hasleby and James Walker playing 150 games for the club. We have also seen some of our future talent make their debut with Robert Warnock, Clayton Collard and Garrick Ibbotson all enjoying their first taste of senior football and showing that they will be good players for our club in the

future. Our new recruits Chris Tarrant and Dean Solomon have been great additions to the side and have shown their experience and talent over the first half of the year. They have also shown their great teamwork and that has been a real feature for me.

Our performances off the field continue to show the strength of support for our club. Another record membership of over 43,000 and record numbers of sponsors and corporate partners have provided levels of support that we have never experienced at our club before. And whatever support you provide to the club, as a member, corporate partner, sponsor or supporter we are greatly appreciative.

Thanks again for your loyal support and let's look forward to a fantastic second half of the year.

Rick Hart, President



## Con Regan 30.9.1934 – 11.5.2007



THE FREMANTLE Football Club mourned the sudden passing of Fremantle Legend Con Regan on 11 May while holidaying overseas.

Fremantle President Rick Hart said that "Con was synonymous with football in Fremantle and his outstanding character

shone out every day as he represented himself, our great game and his community with absolute pride and distinction."

"His commitment to the Fremantle Football Club from our very inception as the club's Team Manager and since 2004 as Vice Patron will never be forgotten.

"He represented a passion for everything that is great about our game and he will be sorely missed," Mr Hart said.

At the round 7 match on 13 May, Fremantle players and staff were joined by Hawthorn players and over 36,000 members and supporters to stand in silence honouring Con prior to bouncedown.

Con Regan was honoured by the AFL with the prestigious Jack Titus Award in 2003, the first Western Australian to receive the award. The award is presented annually in recognition of outstanding service to football.

At the time of receiving the Jack Titus Award Con said "I just love competitive sport. It's the fact that people have to become part of a team. The world today is very individualistic and selfish and football makes you become part of a team and think about other people. It's a big character-building asset."

Con played a total of 261 games for East Fremantle Football Club between 1953 and 1965. In that time East Fremantle made the top four every year and won two Premierships in 1957 and 1965. Con became the first player to play

250 games for East Fremantle. He also played in 25 WAFL finals games and 9 state games.

As well as his football achievements Con was also very successful in water polo, playing more than 50 years senior water polo with the Melville Club.

"The Fremantle Football Club will truly miss not only a great club man and football legend but we will miss one of nature's great men," Mr Hart said.

Con was 72 years of age.



# Capture the Passion



Are you the most passionate Fremantle supporter? Well here's your chance to capture your passion and enter a fantastic new competition being run by the club and Gold Level Sponsor Coca-Cola Amatil (WA). Capture the Passion will run from 28 June to 26 July.

SIMPLY TAKE a photo of yourself to prove how passionate a Fremantle fan you are and visit [www.fremantlefc.com.au](http://www.fremantlefc.com.au) to find out how to enter. Follow the home page link to the Capture the Passion page and then follow the on-screen entry details for your chance to win a weekly prize of two tickets to a Fremantle 2007 home match at Subiaco Oval. The grand prize is a Fremantle team signed guernsey

and two tickets to the club's Doig Medal Presentation Dinner on 6 October 2007.

The weekly prize draws are on 5 July, 12 July, 19 July and 26 July 2007. The grand prize draw will take place on 30 July.

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## Special Mums

FREMANTLE PLAYER mothers Paulyne Webster (mother of Luke), Helen Copping (mother of Benet) and Belinda Schammer (mother of Byron) were named as three of the eleven finalists for the 3rd annual AFLPA Player Mother of the Year Award in May. The Award is a joint initiative of the AFLPA, KNOW (Kangaroos Network of Women) and OvCa Australia, a network raising awareness of Ovarian Cancer.

KNOW launched the AFLPA Mother of the Year in 2005 as

an annual award acknowledging the contribution of mothers to Australian football.

The award was judged by *The Age* newspaper's Chief Football Writer Caroline Wilson, Melbourne Football Club Board Member Karen Hayes, AFL Manager People and Culture Jane Holman, OvCa CEO Karen Livingstone, Jo Curkpatrick from KNOW and AFLPA CEO Brendon Gale. Lizzy Davey, mother of Melbourne's Aaron and Essendon's Alwyn, took out the award this year.

## 2007 Elections

THE CONSTITUTION of the Fremantle Football Club allows for two member-elected representatives to take their place on the Board of Directors of the Fremantle Football Club. The current member-elected Board Representatives are Mr Ben Allan and Mr David Garic. Mr Garic was appointed at last year's election for a two year term until 31 November 2008.

Mr Allan's two year term on the Board of Directors is due to expire on 30 November 2007 and the vacant position will again be open to members to elect a representative for a two year term from 1 December 2007 to 30 November 2009. Voting is only open to voting club members who are fully paid up as at 30 September 2007. It is important that the club has every member's current postal address. If your postal details have changed during the last twelve months please notify the club in writing before 30 September 2007.

The elected member representative to the Board of Directors will be announced at the club's Annual Members Meeting. Members will be posted a Notice of Meeting outlining the time, date and place for this annual meeting.

Members should visit the club's web site where full election and Members Meeting details will be regularly updated.

**NB: A Voting Club Member does not include Associate Members or any member under the age of 18.**

# Tackling Climate Change

LEADING UP to the round twelve clash against the Bulldogs in Darwin, Strength and Conditioning Coach Ben Tarbox turned up the heat on the players by exposing them to the WAIS Environmental Chamber to help preparations for the hot and humid conditions in the Northern Territory.

The players had two sessions in the Environmental Chamber scheduled into their training week in a bid to simulate the expected playing conditions. The players were exposed to a 30 degree environment at over 75 percent humidity whilst tackling a thirty minute bike session.



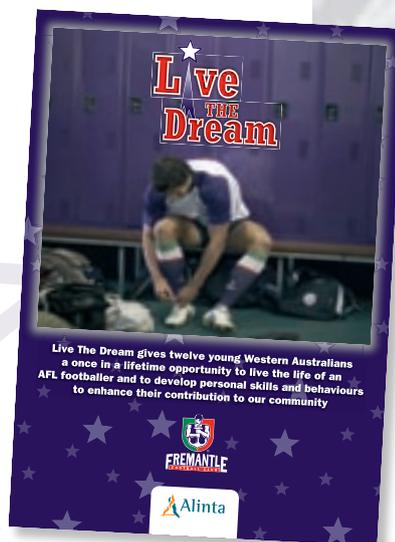
"It was about familiarisation and giving the players an expectation of what the conditions would be like when we got to Darwin so there was not the initial impact of the heat and the humidity," said Ben Tarbox.

"It was part of our overall plan for the players. We knew we would be training and competing in mild temperatures leading up to that and so we really targeted making sure that we prepared their bodies for the hot environment." ☐



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# Live THE Dream



AN EXCITING new programme was launched by the club in June that gives twelve young West Australians a once in a lifetime opportunity to become immersed in the culture of the Fremantle Football Club and live the life of an AFL player for five days.

The club, in conjunction with Alinta, presents Live The Dream, the first programme of its type to be conducted in Western Australia, offering participants the rare opportunity to develop skills and behaviours which can deliver long term benefits to themselves and their local communities.

The twelve lucky participants were selected from a large range of nominations received by the 28 May deadline. Nominations were received through one of four avenues: the Fremantle Football Club Youth League; a club aligned charity, Redkite or Heart Foundation; the Welcome To The AFL programme; or as an entrant in the Alinta/92.9 Promotion.

The participants in the inaugural Live The Dream programme are:

- 1 David Austin from Hamilton Hill
- 2 Shaun Crane from Eaton
- 3 Rhys Devitt from Dunsborough
- 4 Kyle Dolling from Samson
- 5 Shaun Hodgson from Manjimup
- 6 Nathan Joy from Denmark
- 7 Aaron Main from Leinster
- 8 Rhett Mason from Waroona
- 9 Aaron Oliver from Forestdale
- 10 Kyren Tierney from Halls Head
- 11 Teke Vernon from Collie
- 12 Zachary Zucconi from Manning

Live The Dream is an in-house programme for 16 or 17 year olds running from 24-29 July. Thanks to the support of the club's loyal sponsor Alinta, the cost of this unique experience for the lucky participants is absolutely free and includes meals, accommodation, apparel for the five day programme and travel costs to and from Perth for participants travelling from regional areas.

Live The Dream is designed to develop teamwork and leadership skills, develop problem solving skills under pressure, provide participants with experiences that take them outside of their comfort zone and develop skills that participants can take back to their local community and pass onto their peers as positive role models.

The intensive five day programme will see each participant appointed a mentor from the Fremantle player group who will guide and assist them in one-on-one sessions through the programme.

The itinerary will include physical conditioning and injury prevention sessions with Fremantle sports science staff, interactive sessions on nutrition, media training, player welfare and player recruitment, senior team match day involvement and post game recovery session, a training session with Fremantle coaching staff and leadership and team building sessions with the Special Air Services (SAS) Regiment.

You can follow the progress of the lucky participants each day on FTV.

Three of the lucky participants, Kyle Dolling, Zachary Zucconi and Aaron Oliver visited the club recently for sneak preview of what their week of a lifetime has in store for them.

When asked how he reacted to the news that he had been chosen Zachary Zucconi said, "I was pretty shocked and excited to have the opportunity, it's pretty good."

"I'm hoping to take a bit of leadership, a few skills and all the things I learn from the players back to my footy club."

Aaron Oliver said he was looking forward to getting a first hand look at how life is for an AFL player.

"I can't wait to be spending time with the team to see what they do, see how they do the rehab and everything else."

Kyle Dolling says he was thrilled to be chosen and believes it will be a very good experience for him.

"I'd like to take back more confidence to my footy club and hopefully I can show them leadership and that with footy you should take the opportunities that are given to you as they may not come around again." ☺

*Captain Matthew Pavlich caught up with Aaron Oliver (left), Kyle Dolling (centre) and Zach Zucconi (right) on their recent visit to the club*



THE ANNUAL Len Hall Tribute Game held in Round 5 against Adelaide this year commemorated the 50th Anniversary of the Special Air Services Regiment (SAS).

Kylie Russell and her daughter Leisa were flame bearers. Kylie's husband Andrew was Australia's first military casualty in the war against terrorism in Afghanistan. He was killed by an anti-vehicle landmine in 2002.

Sadly, Leisa never met her father as she was born whilst he was on patrol 10 days before his death.

After the game the club received this email from Kylie Russell:

**Subject: Len Hall Tribute Game**

**From:** Kylie Russell

**Sent:** Wednesday, 16 May 2007 8:43 PM

**To:** Fremantle Football Club

To the Fremantle Football Club,

Thank you very much for the photos of Leisa and I at the Len Hall Tribute Game.

It was indeed a very emotional and memorable day for Leisa, myself and our family.

I am very appreciative of the Dockers and the AFL for giving the SAS the opportunity to be a part of this special game.

I was very honoured to have earlier in the day attended a luncheon at the ground in which Rick Hart presented the widow's present and Leisa with a SAS 50th anniversary coin. Leisa was so very excited and proudly showed her grandparents and others that this coin was given to her for her daddy. She told her pre-primary friends during news, and her teachers told me they had to hold back the tears.

I would be very appreciative if you could pass on my sincere appreciation to Rick Hart for this very kind gesture. Although it has been over 5 years since my husband's death it is these acts of kindness today that are helping my daughter now to understand how her daddies sacrifice was so truly appreciated.

Once again thank you for the lovely photos.

Kind Regards

Kylie Russell

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# It's All About Family

Standing on Subiaco Oval in fading light with sons Lachlan (5) and Cooper (14 months), a sweet one point victory over Adelaide is savoured on a memorable day. A sense of pride and relief.



**S**haun McManus had reached his Everest, 200 AFL games. It was round 5, 2007, thirteen years to the round since he made his AFL debut in round 5, 1995. He has proudly worn the jumper of his beloved Fremantle Football Club for so long. He has only been able to do that with the loving support of his family who shared that memorable milestone with him. He is a proud family man.

But where did this deep love of family and of football come from?

The second of five children to parents Henry and Sue, McManus grew up in a typical suburban house at the end of a quiet cul-de-sac with brothers David, Ben and Tim and sister Kelly. Life in the suburb of Willetton was relaxed and fun especially when your cousins, Catherine, Julie, Rove and Luke lived in the very next street.

"When we were younger we would always have family around," Shaun said.

"With cousins living next to us we were always catching up having BBQ's, celebrating birthdays and the like.

"I think sometimes our parents probably made up excuses for us to catch up with family but it didn't bother us kids because it meant we got to muck around and stay up late.

"We would also go to my Grandmother's place most Sundays and catch up with the entire McManus family, there were usually about 30 plus people at these gigs.

"But it was great because we grew up heavily involved in family and were taught to love and support your family," said Shaun.

It is not surprising that family means so much to Shaun when you consider his strong family heritage. McManus' 93 year old Grandmother Johanna McManus came from a Miller family that consisted of 13 children. Seven of her eight brothers were jockeys including Jimmy Miller who rode arguably Australia's greatest ever race horse, Phar Lap and her nephew is legendary horseman JJ Miller who rode the Bart Cummings trained Galilee to victory in the 1966 Melbourne Cup.

The arms of the deeply enriched Miller family tree extend like the branches of a Weeping Willow. Stemming from the Miller family are the McManus, Regan/Kerr, Neesham, Sheey (pronounced Shay) and Coleman families. So it should come as no surprise to hear that Shaun is related to Fremantle inaugural coach Gerard Neesham, whose mother Peg was one of the five sisters that Shaun's Grandmother grew up with in the Miller household.

"I am the luckiest person in the world because I have so many relations and I have got a family that

is so into each other's lives and want to help each other at all costs," Shaun says.

"I bet a lot of people would look at my family and think what a bunch of weirdoes because of how much time we spend together.

"My friends at school would get annoyed at having to go to family functions but with my family I would want to be there in a flash, so we are extremely lucky."

Shaun's connection with football in Fremantle and the Fremantle Football Club almost runs as deep as the roots of the Miller family tree. As a child McManus grew up in the heart of the East Fremantle football district and from a young age supported the East Fremantle Football Club, a club where his Grandfather Bernard "Jack" McManus was a life member and also involved with organising past player functions for the club. In his early years Shaun would follow his parents and family to Moss Street, East Fremantle and join uncles, aunts, cousins and Grandparents in the stands at East Fremantle Oval.

"I remember Grandpa sneaking us kids into the Past Player functions at East Freo and we'd chow down on sausage rolls and cans of coke in amongst all the great East Fremantle players," Shaun reflects with a smile.

It was on these days while kicking the football

**11,535\* players have played VFL/AFL, 373\* have played over 200 games, and only 281 have played 200 games for one club**

\*At the end of season 2006

in the dark on East Fremantle Oval that Shaun's strong desire to play football at the highest level began.

"I am from a sporting family with a football background," Shaun said.

"When I starting out playing footy, my Dad was working most weekends so Mum had to take me to the footy every Saturday or Sunday to play and the effort that she put in along the way was huge given that my brothers and sister were also playing sport at different times and places all weekend.

"The commitment that my parents had to do that, especially Mum, was awesome.

"They were always at my WAFL games, always taking me to training when I wasn't old enough to drive, always taking me to games and giving me every opportunity to keep going forward," said Shaun.

Starting out playing junior football for Willetton, he quickly began to impress with natural speed and athleticism on the football field. Before long he earned selection in the East Fremantle junior district sides and would go on to win a number of competition best and fairest awards.

Shaun's mother Sue, whose family home in Banjup boasts a cabinet full of association trophies her son has won over the years, remembers Shaun's early love for football.

"Shaun was always out the back kicking the footy with his brother David," Sue says.

"I would constantly have to call them in for a shower and dinner because if I didn't, I don't think they would have ever come in."

When it came to the weekend, Sue remembers Shaun always wanting to get to the game early, which goes against the mould for most members of the McManus family who are not known for their punctuality.

Sue says that in the car to games, she would always talk to Shaun about the conditions on the day.

"We would always talk about his game and I would try and give him a few hints, although he usually didn't need many instructions."

As Shaun progressed through the football ranks he found himself representing WA in the State School Boys competition in 1991 alongside current Fremantle team mate Peter Bell who captained the side that year. In 1992 he made the East Fremantle colts team as a 16 year old and it was around this time that the West Coast Eagles were beginning to make their mark.

"I always remember Dad taking our family to the

football to watch the Eagles play at Subi or under lights at the WACA," Shaun recalls.

"Back then there was nothing bigger or better than going to the footy for me and some of my fondest memories from my childhood are of going to the footy with family and sticking around afterwards so we could kick the footy on the ground, dreaming like every kid out there that one day I would play out here.

"And for as long as I can remember that is all I have wanted to do and still is now," Shaun said.

It is not just the desire to play football at the elite level that Shaun remembers, recalling the fun of attending games with his family.

"When the games were finished and it was too dark to kick the footy, my cousins and I would still be waiting for our parents to come out of the social rooms so we would search the stands for Whopper vouchers and see who could get the most. And as I recall I won hands down!" McManus says with a smirk.

During his first year at the East Fremantle colts Shaun was one of five 16-year-olds selected in the WA Teal Cup side along with Bell, Stephen Jurica, Darren Gasper and former Fremantle player Craig Callaghan. That year Shaun gained selection in the All Australian team in only his first year. The following year in 1993 expectations on him were high, none more so than the expectations he put on himself.

Despite the weight of all that expectation, All Australian selection was once again awarded as well as being judged the best and fairest player for the competition, receiving the Larke Medal in 1993. But for Shaun he was disappointed with his performances. Apart from doing the odd flashy thing like having a few bounces or taking a big mark as he was known to do back then, he believed he had played well below his own personal standards. So much so that he wanted to give the medal back.

Later that year a premiership with the East Fremantle reserves made its way to the McManus trophy cabinet and as an 18 year old in 1994 was a member of the East Fremantle league side that won the club's 28th premiership.

The announcement of a second WA side, based in Fremantle, to enter AFL in 1995 provided Shaun a unique opportunity to be a part of newly formed Fremantle Football Club.

One of nearly 70 initial squad members invited down to trial for Fremantle, the lightly built wingman with the golden locks seized the

#### PETER BELL on Shaun

*Shaun McManus is the heart and soul of Fremantle. He is passionately Fremantle and in my view he is Fremantle's finest ever player and the most popular player. He has had a wonderful career and has the respect of opponents and friends alike and has achieved much especially for someone who is bottle blonde.*

*I would describe him as being loyal, a terrific footballer and a terrific friend who is always keen for a laugh. He has been through some tough times but you cannot question his dedication and commitment and he deserves everything that he gets in life.*

opportunity and was chosen as one of the inaugural Fremantle squad members and describes the venture into the AFL as interesting.

"We used to be at South Fremantle in the visitors change rooms," Shaun says.

"You couldn't swing a cat in there so you could imagine what it was like trying to fit 70 guys in there!

"We also had to go to Bicton Water Polo Club to do our weight sessions.

"It was really primitive stuff," said Shaun.

"If you were at a WAFL club at least you had a home base but we were at an AFL club and were all over the place but the best part about it being a young person was getting all this free gear. You would turn up and we were given free boots and that sort of stuff. It was amazing."

Shaun's much anticipated AFL debut for Fremantle came in Round 5 1995, unfortunately as a result of Tony Delaney injuring himself during the final training session before the game.

"I was only there to make up the numbers at that stage; I wasn't expecting to get a game so when Gerard Neesham called me over and said 'You've got a game, I'll ring your Dad and let him know and we will fly him over', I was stunned and excited," McManus recalls.

It seemed the years of hard work and sacrifice had paid off as Shaun joined his team mates for the ride out to Melbourne's outer western suburbs to take on Footscray at Whitten Oval on a typically cold autumn day in Melbourne.

Back home in Perth all 30 plus members of the McManus family crammed into the home of Shaun's aunt and uncle, a few hundred metres from his Willetton family home. So packed was

#### MATTHEW PAVLICH on Shaun

*Everyone knows he is just a tremendous bloke. He is one of the first guys that I remember, when I rocked up as a 17 year old at the club, who very much welcomed me and ensured that things were good and I think that goes a long way to demonstrate what a great bloke he is. He enjoys having a beer and having a good time and is one of those guys who you know you are going to run into 10 years down the track and he is going to be the same "Shaun Mac". He is a tremendous guy and one of those people you will never forget throughout your whole life.*

*He is one of the most professional athletes I have trained and played with. He trains 100% the whole time and gives his heart and soul to the club, but a very important role within the club is to ensure the young guys feel welcome and socially the guys mix well and get along and Shaun does that. When I first arrived at the club a lot of the guys used to call him the "Freo Mayor" because he knew everyone in Fremantle, and still does. Professionally he was one of the hardest training guys I have played with and he sets a wonderful example for all the young blokes and for everyone in general, but he makes sure the guys feel at home and enjoy themselves and that typifies Shaun.*



## 8 SHAUN McMANUS



<b>Date of Birth:</b>	9 February 1976
<b>Nickname:</b>	Macca
<b>AFL Debut:</b>	Round 5, 29 April 1995 v Footscray at Whitten Oval
<b>Recruited From:</b>	East Fremantle
<b>AFL Rising Star Nominee:</b>	1995
<b>WA State of Origin:</b>	1995, 2003
<b>Fremantle Captain:</b>	2000-2001
<b>Career Brownlow Medal Votes:</b>	42

**AFL Career (as at end of 2006)**

<b>AFL/FFC Games:</b>	195
<b>Finals Games:</b>	4
<b>Pre-Season Games:</b>	9
<b>Kicks: 2009</b>	<b>Handballs: 1244</b>
<b>Marks: 781</b>	<b>Tackles: 454</b>
<b>Goals: 84</b>	<b>Points: 77</b>
<b>Game High</b>	
<b>Disposals:</b>	33 (v Brisbane, Round 7, 2000)
<b>Kicks:</b>	23 (v Essendon, Round 14, 1999)
<b>Handballs:</b>	16 (v Port Adelaide, Round 1, 2007)
	16 (v Melbourne, Round 4, 2007)
	16 (v Melbourne, Round 4, 2007)
<b>Marks:</b>	10 (v Essendon, Round 14, 1999)
	10 (v Richmond, Round 4, 2002)
	10 (v Hawthorn, Round 1, 2006)
	10 (v Essendon, Round 14, 2006)
<b>Tackles:</b>	7 (v West Coast, Round 5, 2003)
	7 (v Melbourne, Round 9, 2003)
	7 (v Adelaide, Round 3, 2004)

**Season Highs**

<b>Disposals:</b>	402 (2006)
<b>Kicks:</b>	270 (2003)
<b>Handballs:</b>	185 (2006)
<b>Marks:</b>	108 (2006)
<b>Tackles:</b>	76 (2003)
<b>Goals:</b>	13 (1995)

**Season Games:**

1995	18
1996	16
1997	3
1998	6
1999	15
2000	21
2001	22
2002	22
2003	23
2004	20
2005	7
2006	22

the family room that the kids found themselves in another room to watch the game.

For the McManus family it was a tremendously proud moment and for Shaun himself it was an amazing experience as he had realised his dream of playing football at the elite level and was doing so representing the Fremantle Football Club.

"I was pretty nervous before the game obviously and then afterwards reflecting on playing my first AFL game I got really emotional, Shaun recalls.

Thirteen seasons and countless plane trips later, Shaun has gone onto represent Fremantle with distinction, forming a great bond with the club and the Fremantle community. Though it hasn't always been smooth sailing. Two knee reconstructions early provided big set backs, as did extended periods out of the game. But it was the season of 2005 that would prove to be the most difficult to overcome.

"In 2005 I only played seven games and things were going as bad as they could," Shaun says.

"I played 8 or 9 games for East Fremantle and things were going terrible and I did reflect a lot on my career and most of the things I reflected on were disappointments.

"It didn't look like I was going to play 200 games or get anywhere near it, which was a real disappointment for me," said Shaun.

It was at this point that Shaun would have to call on the support of his family to help him get through.

"I know that the love for me was there always and that the family was feeling everything I was going through and to know I had that support was enough to keep me going all the time," Shaun said. "And whether we were at a birthday party or other family function; everybody was concerned in a good way and hopeful that I could get back and play football at Fremantle."

During this time it wasn't only his immediate family that Shaun turned too for encouragement. He looked to his other family, the Fremantle Football Club where he also found plenty of support.

"I have been here so long that I have made some great friends," said Shaun.

"I would speak to a lot of guys every week that I used to play with and again they are people who have felt every bit of agony I have gone through and every bit of ecstasy as well.

"Guys like Brad Wira, Jason Norrish, Anthony Jones, Luke Toia, and Ashley Prescott have been great.

"We normally go out to dinner together along with Shane Parker and "Belly", so I definitely speak to those guys often along with Peter Mann, Chris Bond and Matthew Burton as well.

"It is great to have a connection with those blokes and as soon as things weren't going well for me, straight away the phone will be ringing flat out because they want to show their support for me which is terrific," said Shaun.

But it is not just the past players that McManus knows he can turn too. The current players play an important role in his life as well.

"You can always talk to these guys because they have got the same experiences or different experiences which can always benefit you and you can talk about how to deal with what is going on.

"I've always had people I have needed to talk to and I think everyone here has had a need to talk to someone at some point.

"At times you have difficulties with your girlfriend or partner or your wife because you don't give them a great deal of time and that also applies with Mum, Dad and friends, so we share those problems," Shaun says. "We might not come up with the greatest answers in the world but at least you can talk about it with each other."

It was the support of these two families that got him through the most difficult part of his celebrated career.

"Everybody has always been behind me and followed every single step of my career, particularly when things haven't gone well, which has been a fair bit of time," says Shaun.

**BYRON SCHAMMER on Shaun**

*Shaun was one of the older guys who initially helped me out and talked to me not only about my footy game but also off the field and helping me out as a person. I am really appreciative of that. He is also a bloke you can really look up to and learn a lot from, he is a fantastic leader around the footy club.*

*Shaun is certainly one of the greatest clubmen at the Fremantle Football Club and has been for many years. He is an outstanding individual who shows great leadership. He has also shown great character and courage in the face of adversity and is a great family man and I can't speak highly enough of Shaun McManus. He is someone that I look up too and try to emulate.*

"Periods of my career haven't been that successful but everyone has rallied behind me and offered words of inspiration and always offered words of hope for me to keep going.

"And when I have played well they're still behind me and when things haven't worked out everyone has still encouraged me the entire time," Shaun said.

As McManus learnt as a child at the family gatherings, that love and support is not only received but also given and he has tried to do that at the club as well, a club that has given him so much.

"I really hope that people could ask me anything," Shaun says.

"I have been through a lot of difficult times and a lot of good times on and off the field and I hope that if some of the guys needed someone to talk to about anything I reckon I have got the experience to be able to help them out and if I can't, then I will definitely be able to find someone that can help them.

"Hopefully that kind of leadership in a way might be able to keep the team really strong together and have that family attitude where you can just go and talk to Shaun or I can go and speak to Belly and say "this is what I am going through" and "this is what I think" and "have you got any advice for me?"

"And that definitely happens now and hopefully will keep continuing," says Shaun.

However, having to juggle family life at home and at the club can be difficult, especially when you hate letting people down as Shaun does.

"It is difficult. Quiet often I will miss out on a lot of stuff like mates' birthdays and I have missed weddings, christenings and things like that which really hurts you.

"And with football, I have missed things that we have had on and that you really want to be a part of and trying to give yourself as much as you can to each 'family' without neglecting anyone as well is difficult," said Shaun.

Meegan Rubery, Shaun's partner of 11 years, describes the life of a "footy bride" as difficult.

"Most weeks are stressful and you feel on edge most of the time and it is certainly harder now that we have kids," Meegan says.

"Before we had Lachlan and Cooper it was always fun times.

"Now when Shaun comes home there is no down time as we have two gorgeous kids to take care of and I only have a number of weeks left before our third arrives.

"And when the team heads away every second week you become a single parent, but I think parenting helps keep us both grounded," said Meegan.

The support of Meegan has only strengthened Shaun's resolve.

"Meegan has always supported me and has been to every single game and always brought Lachlan along to the game; although he likes to go to the crèche and not watch me play he is still there," Shaun says.

"And it is a difficult role for all the player's wives and girlfriends because when you come home when things haven't worked out well and even when they have worked out, you are still on edge and you



probably don't give yourself to them as much as what they need but they certainly understand how difficult football can be at times and how difficult it is on them some times.

"But they are always there for me, always there to keep you smiling and take your mind off football which is the best thing, just taking your mind off it."

"Being able to come home and do a drawing with Lachlan or see Cooper; even if he might be screaming his head off half the time is great," McManus says with a rye smile. "It means the world to me, or Meegan might want to talk about things other than football which is a good thing."

"At home we hardly talk about football," Meegan said "With kids it is a whole different ball game."

"As soon as Shaun walks through the door he is no longer a footballer he is instantly a Dad.

"I remember the week of his 200th game Shaun had a lot of media commitments to fulfill but still had to take Lachlan to Auskick training during the week.

"It is a good escape for him and helps keep his mind off football," says Meegan.

As this year's pre-season ended, Shaun reflected on the fact that he had spent 13 of his 31 years at the club, both he and the club had grown together. His trademark golden locks may not have changed much in 13 years but he is no longer the free spirited 18 year old, he is now a father of two with a third on the way and strong figure around the club.

Along the way both have shared in high and lows, which is perhaps why many refer to Shaun McManus as the "heart and soul" of the football club. During the press conference on the eve of his 200th game a journalist asked McManus what it means to him to be referred to as the 'heart and soul of Fremantle'.

In typical McManus style he responded with "It probably means I have been the heart and soul of the club. No, it probably means I have been around for a long time and I have shared the ups and downs

and I certainly feel privileged in being here for a long period of time more than anything. I feel grateful that the community has got behind me. I hope that they have seen the passion that I have shown for Fremantle when I have played over the 13 years and the commitment I have for the jumper and I hope that the reflection of the feelings they have for me is a part of that."

So, as he prepared to run through the banner for his 200th game, carrying sons Lachlan and Cooper, hearing the deafening cheers of the Fremantle faithful, Shaun savoured the moment.

"It was great, I was over the moon! For me to be able to reach that goal and run out on the field with my boys and to still have the rest of the gang (family) in the crowd and to have Grandma McManus and Pop Vernon see me play football is a great thing," Shaun said.

It has been a tough journey for Shaun and he realises that he would not have reached this milestone without the love and support of both his families.

"I think it was almost like, although it was my 200th game, it was 200 games for everybody because everybody had been along the journey," said Shaun.

"We get so involved in each other's lives that when things don't go right for somebody, everybody feels it, everybody feels the pain.

"For me to play 200 games was 200 games for Mum and Dad, all the aunts and uncles, cousins and team mates, both past a present.

"They were more emotional than me because it was such a long journey for them," McManus says with his characteristic laugh.

While Shaun is not sure on his football beyond season 2007, he is not allowing himself the luxury of looking that far ahead. But one thing is sure, when you think of great players in the history of the Fremantle Football club, the name Shaun McManus will be there. ☐

#### SHANE PARKER on Shaun

*"He is someone who has worked through very difficult situations. I have said it before, one knee reconstruction is difficult to come back from, and two is unbelievable. I think it would be fair to say that he hasn't had the greatest support from people above him, I don't think. And he has worked through that and proven his worth and handled it very well. I think what he has done couldn't happen to a better person.*

*As a team mate he is very unselfish and he is someone who goes out of his way to help people. When people have their own issues he is always talking to younger blokes and trying to help them out. He is that sort of bloke. I would probably describe him as a people person really. That is him in a nutshell and that is a great gift.*

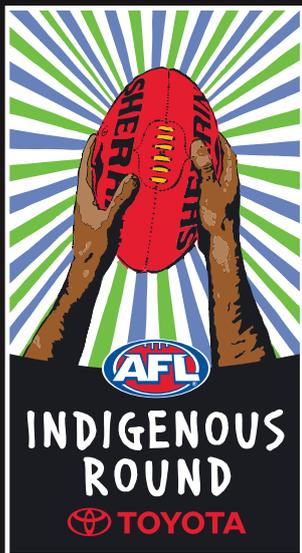
*You need people like Shaun McManus at your club. Without them the club doesn't function. Someone who naturally thinks outside of himself and it has been great having him around.*

#### HENRY McMANUS on his son Shaun

*Shaun epitomises what everyone would envisage as a very strong family man. His strong character and strong family background has held him in good stead. When a lot of people would have given up, Shaun keeps going.*

*Coming from a close family where everyone supports him, it gives him the confidence to go forward and the drive to achieve his goals.*

*If you are a good family person, younger people will look up to you and try to model themselves on that person. Shaun is not a good family person he is a great family man and he is setting a wonderful example for others to follow.*



# Building Bridges

THE FRIDAY night match against St Kilda was the AFL's inaugural Indigenous Round and Fremantle, with a VFL/AFL record number of Indigenous players on its playing list, had the honour of launching the round 9 celebrations of the unique contribution Indigenous athletes have made to Australian football and role the game plays in Indigenous communities.

The launch, held at the Beedawong Meeting Place in Kings Park on Tuesday 22 May, was attended by all Fremantle's Indigenous players, Clayton Collard, Troy Cook, Jeff Farmer, Antoni Grover, Roger Hayden, Des Headland, Michael Johnson and Calib Mourish, and featured traditional

dances performed by the Gya Ngoop Indigenous dance group.

Speaking at the launch on behalf of the Fremantle players, Troy Cook said that was an honour for the Fremantle players to launch the Indigenous Round.

"We, as Indigenous Australians, have played and continue to play an important role in our great game on and off the field," Cook said.

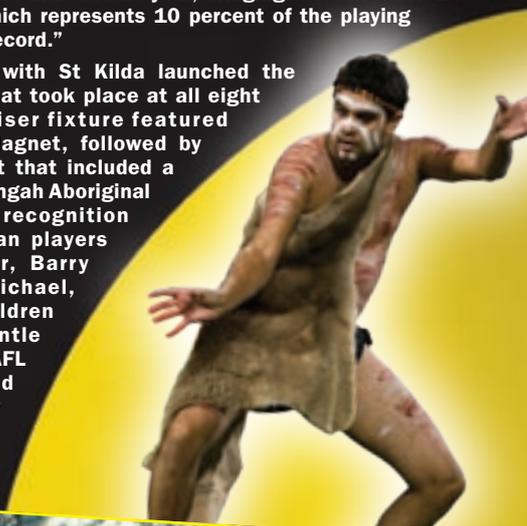
"As players we have been able to share our culture with our team mates and the community. Our role also allows us to make a contribution and have an influence in our communities. It is a role that we accept and are proud to undertake," Cook said.

Mr Colin McLeod, the AFL's General Manager Marketing, Communications and Public Affairs, acknowledged the role Indigenous players have played in all levels of the game.

"In many parts of Australia, our game is the preferred sport. There are 87,000 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people participating in Australian football programs and this love of the game is reflected at the highest level.

"15 Indigenous players were drafted last year, bringing the current AFL Indigenous list to 71, which represents 10 percent of the playing group and is a VFL/AFL record."

The Friday night clash with St Kilda launched the weekend celebrations that took place at all eight games. The curtain raiser fixture featured Wiluna taking on Mt Magnet, followed by pre-match entertainment that included a performance by the Nyooongah Aboriginal Dance Group and the recognition of great West Australian players including Polly Farmer, Barry Cable, and Stephen Michael, while at half time children from the South Fremantle District Indigenous NAB AFL Auskick programme had the unique opportunity to play under lights on Subiaco Oval. ☺



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# Between Cultures



# Milestones

**150**

**AFL/FFC GAMES**



**Paul Hasleby**  
Round 4 v Melbourne,  
22 April 2007 at the MCG

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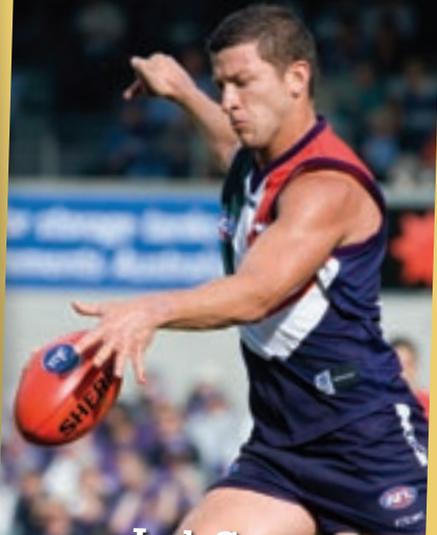
**AFL/FFC GAMES**



**Shaun McManus**  
Round 5 v Adelaide,  
29 April 2007 at Subiaco Oval

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**FFC GAMES**



**Josh Carr**  
Round 5 v Adelaide,  
29 April 2007 at Subiaco Oval

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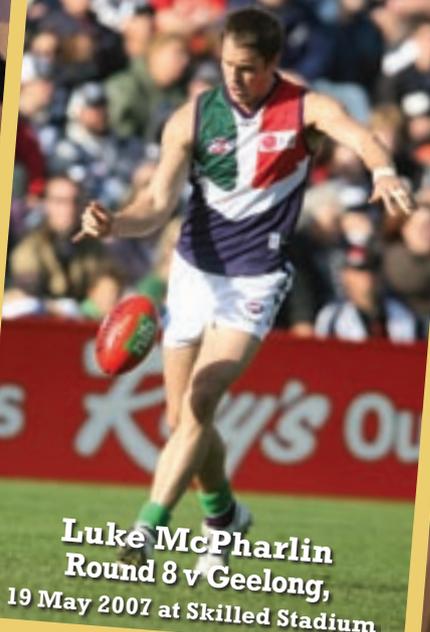
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**Robert Warnock**  
Round 6 v Brisbane,  
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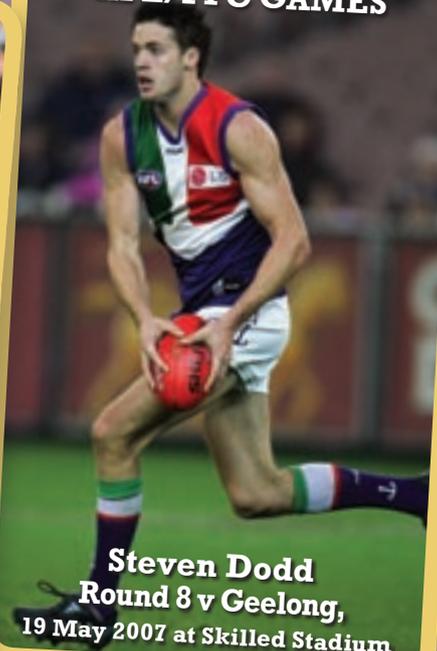
**AFL GAMES**



**Luke McPharlin**  
Round 8 v Geelong,  
19 May 2007 at Skilled Stadium

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**AFL/FFC GAMES**



**Steven Dodd**  
Round 8 v Geelong,  
19 May 2007 at Skilled Stadium

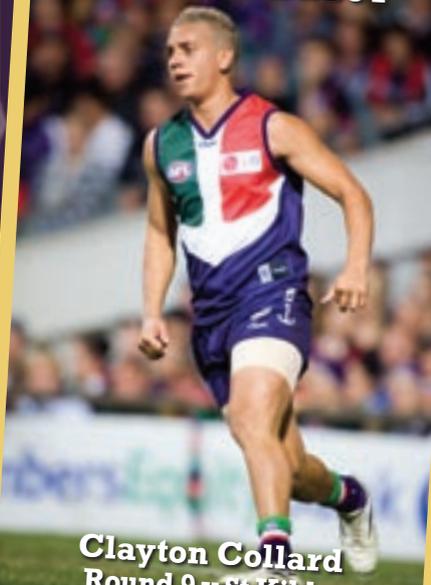
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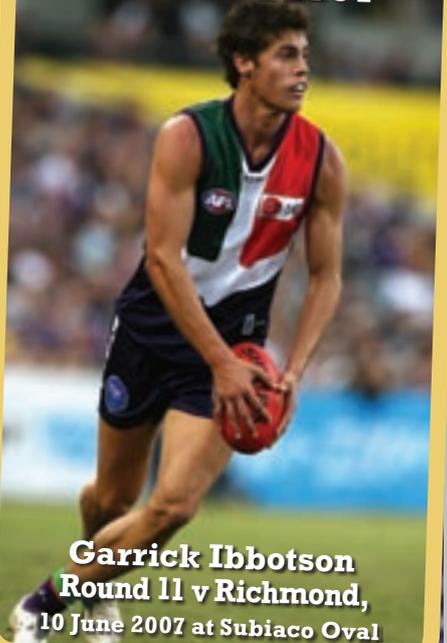
**David Mundy**  
Round 8 v Geelong,  
19 May 2007 at Skilled Stadium

**DEBUT**  
**AFL/FFC DEBUT**



**Clayton Collard**  
Round 9 v St Kilda,  
25 May 2007 at Subiaco Oval

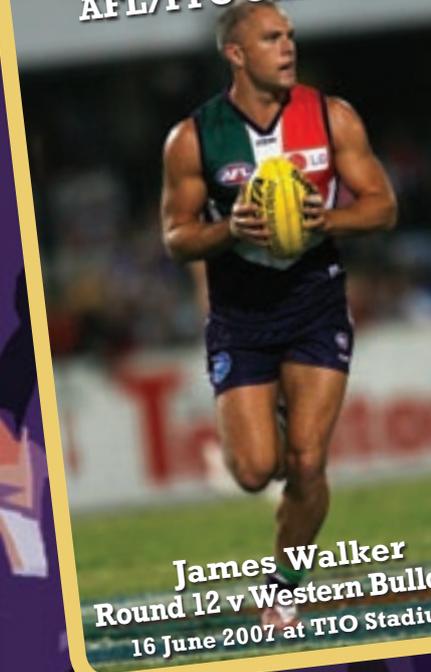
**DEBUT**  
**AFL/FFC DEBUT**



**Garrick Ibbotson**  
Round 11 v Richmond,  
10 June 2007 at Subiaco Oval

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**AFL/FFC GAMES**



**James Walker**  
Round 12 v Western Bulldogs,  
16 June 2007 at TIO Stadium

**150**

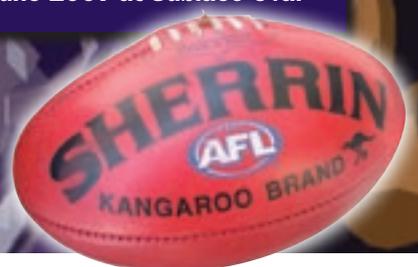
**AFL GAMES**



**Matthew Carr**  
Round 10 v Collingwood,  
1 June 2007 at the MCG

**1ST AFL GOAL**

- Paul Duffield, Round 1 v Port Adelaide, 31 March 2007 at Subiaco Oval
- Adam Campbell, Round 4 v Melbourne, 22 April 2007 at MCG
- Robert Warnock, Round 6 v Brisbane, 6 May 2007 at the Gabba
- Scott Thornton, Round 11 v Richmond, 10 June 2007 at Subiaco Oval
- Garrick Ibbotson, Round 11 v Richmond, 10 June 2007 at Subiaco Oval



# A Kick the Difference

## Subiaco Oval (175.6m x 122.4m)

- MCG (160m x 141m)
- SCG (149m x 136m)
- AAMI Stadium (165m x 133m)
- Telstra Dome (159.5m x 128.8m)
- Skilled Stadium (170m x 115m)

MUCH IS said about the difference in size of AFL grounds around the country and the advantages and disadvantages that those differences generate.

The longest ground is Subiaco Oval measuring 175.6 metres in length and the shortest is the SCG at 149 metres, a difference of 26.6 metres or the equivalent of an extra short kick required at Subiaco compared to the SCG. While that can mean two kicks to goal from the centre of the SCG it could mean three at Subiaco. When Fremantle take on Sydney at the SCG in round 14 the style of play will require adjustment, brought about by the very nature of the ground size, one kick shorter than Subiaco Oval.

A similar situation exists for teams visiting Subiaco. The different dimensions mean more distance to cover from goal to goal than teams may be otherwise used to. For those teams that rarely venture to the west it can be a daunting task. Can there be a tendency coming from the wider grounds to the narrow Subiaco for more balls to be kicked out on the full? Worth keeping an eye on.

The widest ground is the MCG measuring 141 metres with Subiaco Oval third narrowest at 122.4 metres, slightly wider than both Telstra and Skilled Stadiums. The difference is 18.5 metres. This season, Fremantle will tackle a full range of ground sizes. Adjustments are needed, some dramatic and some subtle to play the variety of playing conditions.

“Every ground is different and that is one of the great challenges of AFL football,” says Senior Coach Chris Connolly.

Ground	Dimensions
Subiaco Oval	175.6m x 122.4m
TIO Stadium	175m x 135m
Aurora Stadium	170m x 140m
MCG	160m x 141m
Manuka Oval	162.5m x 138.4m
AAMI Stadium	165m x 133m
Carrara	160m x 134m
Telstra Dome	159.5m x 128.8m
Telstra Stadium	160m x 118m
Skilled Stadium	170m x 115m
Gabba	156m x 138m
SCG	149m x 136m

Ground	Capacity
Subiaco Oval	42,885
TIO Stadium	14,000
Aurora Stadium	24,000
MCG	100,000
Manuka Oval	14,000
AAMI Stadium	51,515
Carrara	15,000
Telstra Dome	53,355
Telstra Stadium	81,000
Skilled Stadium	28,300
Gabba	41,000
SCG	43,386



**A pacy midfielder from East Fremantle, Garrick Ibbotson was selected by the club with its second selection (number 26 overall) in the 2005 NAB AFL Draft. His game continued to develop in 2006 with the Sharks and in round 11 he made his AFL debut against Richmond capping off a winning entry to AFL ranks with a goal in the final quarter.**

**DOB: 15 March 1988                      Height: 187cm**

**Weight: 84kg**

**Drafted: East Fremantle, 2005 National Draft**

***You've got an extensive sporting history as a junior. How did you get involved with water polo?***

I got into it when I was 13 through family friends. I went down to Bicton Baths one day with a mate to fill in for his side and I liked it so I went back a few weeks later to join up. I played for three or four years but stopped when footy got serious.

***Docker understands you were initially a soccer player?***

I played soccer in primary school and at the start of high school. I started playing in year one or year two because our primary school didn't have a footy team because our school oval was too small. That's probably the main reason I played soccer to start with instead of football. In year six or seven I joined up with a Canning districts team and played there for two years before I started footy.

***How did you first get involved with football?***

I played my first game of football in 2002 when I filled in for a mate's team at Bullcreek-Leeming Junior Football Club and ever since then I have enjoyed it more than soccer. I finished off that soccer season and played out the rest of the footy season at Bullcreek-Leeming. The following year I joined Bullcreek-Leeming full time. I played three seasons there before going onto colts at East Fremantle. It was a good club to be at

because my friends had been playing there for years and it had been quite a successful club as far as producing AFL players.

***Are you currently undertaking any studies?***

I'm doing a fitness course at the moment at the club with a few other guys. Hopefully I'll become a personal trainer after that. I might also try a real estate course next year.

***What was the lead up like to your debut match against Richmond in round 11?***

I had the worst night's sleep I'd had in a while on the Friday night before the game. I was actually out on the driving range on the Friday when Chris called to tell me I would be playing. I got a lot of phone calls from family, friends and people from school to say congratulations. I tried to keep my mind off the game on the Saturday so I pretty much sat around playing PlayStation.

***What was it like when you came off the bench and ran onto the ground?***

I was nervous. When I was sitting on the bench I was meant to go on at the 15 minute mark so as the time went on I was thinking, "far out I'm going to have to go on soon" and it was getting closer and closer. I think it was the 11 minute mark when I came on, so it came really quickly. As I ran out I was a bit nervous but once I got out on the ground the crowd faded out and it felt alright.

***You came to the club quite tall and lean. What have you done in the past year to bulk up?***

In my first year the younger guys did general strength training to get ourselves more used to the training and to get the conditioning. But in the pre-season that has just gone and so far this year I've been doing more weights and bigger programmes to get my weight up and get a bigger body. Our nutritionist has also helped with meal plans to make sure I'm eating enough of the right foods to help me bulk up.

***Who have you learned the most from at the club?***

Shaun McManus has helped me out a lot since I've been at the club. He's always been good to me since I arrived. He went to the same school as me so we've sort of had the same pathway to footy. He's always said I should play to my strengths and run and carry and everything else would fall into place.



***Is he the hardest opponent to match up on at training?***

I think he is. He pushes himself and he knows what he can do and he knows he has to work hard to do it. Watching him train and sometimes training next to him, you realise how hard he works. He does it for himself as much as the footy club. I think the way he goes about it is good to watch as he is a good example, and hopefully I can do the same.

***Have you tried to mould your game on anyone?***

When I was growing up I liked Anthony Koutoufides. He was my favourite player when I was young because I was a Carlton supporter at the time. But I've been trying to work on my own game more than anything else and trying to develop my own game with the advice of the coaches and senior players.

***What are you hoping to achieve in 2007?***

I'm still focussing on my development. If I'm not playing with Fremantle I'll be playing with East Fremantle and hopefully playing well. I'm looking to develop while I'm at Fremantle and train well and hopefully get a few more games.

***Was it initially a relief to get drafted to Fremantle?***

It was. I didn't mind going over to the eastern states but it was good to stay at home. I've been playing footy with East Freo and Bullcreek-Leeming when I was young, so it was good to stay close to where I've been my whole life. I think it made for an easier transition to AFL from WAFL, staying at home with family and friends around.

***You recently entered into a new contract with the club for two more years. What were your thoughts at the time?***

I was relieved, really relieved when I found out the club wanted to re-sign me. Being so young, playing footy at the highest level was what was most important for me. I came to the club as a 17 year old, I'm 19 now, so this new contract will take me through until I'm 21. Knowing I have that time to develop and get my footy as good as I can get it with those two years is a big relief.

***Finally, what is the best thing about playing in the AFL?***

I love playing footy so it's good to be able to have it as a full time job. It's also good fun to be able to hang around with the guys all the time. There is never a dull moment. ☺





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**Clayton Collard joined Fremantle at the end of 2006 as the club's first selection in the 2006 NAB AFL Draft. Clayton represented WA at under 16 and under 18 level and attended the AIS/AFL Academy. Making his AFL debut in Round 9 against St Kilda, Collard looms as a Fremantle talent of the future.**

**DOB:** 4 December 1988      **Height:** 182cm

**Weight:** 90kg

**Drafted:** South Fremantle, 2006 National Draft

**How have you been enjoying your time at Fremantle so far?**

It's been a good experience. It's a lot harder preparation wise than last year when I was purely playing WAFL football. The training is a lot more intense and regular. At first it was really different being at the footy club everyday but I'm used to it now and enjoying it. At the start it was pretty hard and I had to adjust to it pretty quickly but I'm doing well now.

**What sort of a player were you in your junior football days?**

I played most of my junior footy as a midfielder. I was pretty good at it and really enjoyed following the ball. But as I got into higher levels the coaches swung me forward and made me a small forward. I've normally been given a crumbing role but I'm occasionally used as a leading forward at South Fremantle.

**Des Headland said the eight Indigenous players at the club are very close. How valuable is it having the older players show you the way at Fremantle?**

It's good. I look up to Des, Troy Cook and Jeff Farmer, so being part of the team with those

kind of guys is good for me because they took me under their wing as soon as I got here and looked after me. I relate to them well because we have the same sort of background.

**You have said that Jeff Farmer is your football hero. What is it you admire about him?**

I'm a goal kicker and I respect the way he kicks his goals and how hard he works for his goals. He also has really good footy smarts and is a good footballer and a good bloke as well. At training he tells me where to go and stand to get the ball and how to crumb the ball. He's looked after me and helps me out at every training session.

**Have you tried to model your game on any other players?**

My other idol is Andrew McLeod. I grew up watching him and really liked the way he played when Adelaide won back-to-back flags and he picked up the Norm Smith medal in both games. He's very skilful. When I get the chance to play in the midfield I try to play the position like he does.

**You made your debut at Subiaco Oval on a Friday night match. What was that experience like?**

I was pretty nervous but pretty excited as well. I had all my family there and about 40 of them travelled up from the country to be at the game. Mum and dad were happy with my game and they really enjoyed it.

**Your debut match was also the first game in the AFL Indigenous Round. How special was it to you to be making your debut in that particular match?**

It was really special. Cookie grabbed me before the game and had a word with me to say how special and important the week was and just to do my best. You could see the six Indigenous boys were pumped up and I just wanted to make sure I played my best. I enjoyed it.

**Docker understands that you have an artistic streak about you. What is the story there?**

I don't mind drawing and painting when I'm bored. Most of the stuff I do is landscape drawing and painting but I haven't painted in a while. I got into it at the start of last year when I was at TAFE in Mandurah. I do most of my drawings out in the country where I come from when I get the chance.



**How valuable was your time at the AIS/AFL Academy?**

It was really valuable. They pretty much get you ready for playing AFL football because all the drills and facilities are AFL based. When I first went there I was pretty nervous but it was another good step forward from playing WAFL colts footy. We went to Ireland, which was the first time I'd been out of Australia. I got to meet a lot of boys that play AFL footy now so I'm good mates with a lot of guys playing at all different clubs now.

**Did you always have your sights set on playing AFL or did you have other aspirations?**

Ever since I was a kid I wanted to become an AFL footballer. It was the only thing I wanted to be involved in professionally. I just wanted to play AFL since day one.

**What makes up your busiest day at the club?**

Monday is normally our busiest day at the club and all the players are there from early morning until late afternoon. My day normally starts with a weights session then a yoga session. All the players meet up for lunch and then we have a couple of team meetings before hitting the track. It took a while to get used to when I started but it's a good routine to have now considering we normally have Tuesdays off.

**What do you like to do when you get some time away from football?**

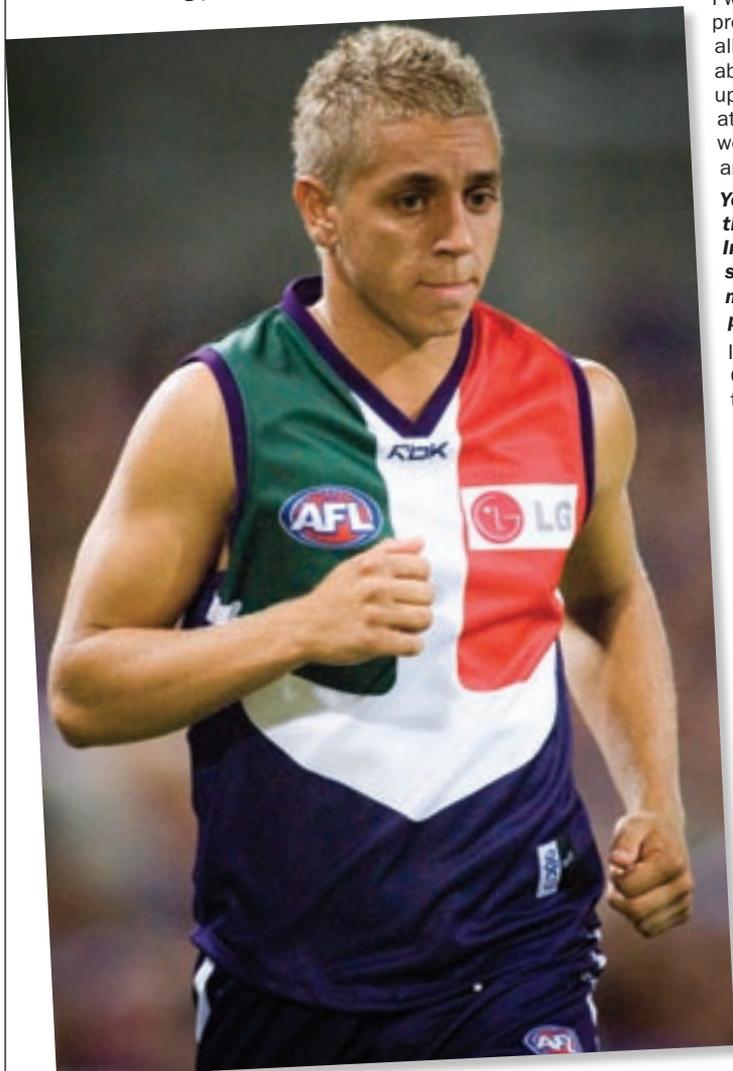
I try to catch up with my mates and family and spend some time with my girlfriend. Footy takes up a lot of time so I try to hang out with the people close to me when I get the chance.

**Tell us about the day you got drafted to Fremantle.**

I was watching the draft unfold on the internet with my manager, my parents and some mates. To hear my name get called out was a pretty big thing. I was really excited and everyone was sort of relieved and happy that the wait was over. It was nerve wracking sitting there not knowing if you were going to be picked up or not so it was a real relief when I saw my name pop up on the screen.

**Finally, what are your goals for 2007?**

My goal at the start of the season was just to get a game and see what happened from there. I got my first game pretty early and hopefully I'll get a few more. As I go through I'd like to increase my game time more out on the field. ☐

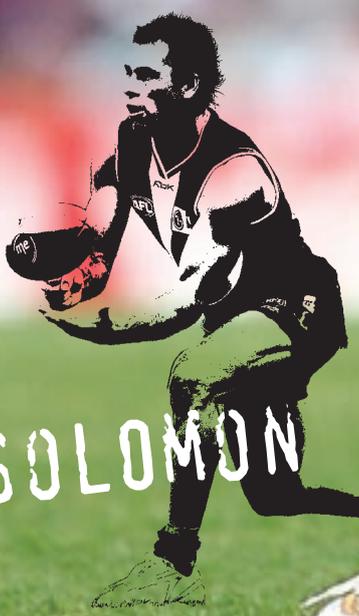




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Since the inception of the AFL's Heritage Round in 2003 to celebrate football's heritage and the traditions and history of the game, the Fremantle Football Club has worn the red and white playing guernsey that had its origins in that worn by the Fremantle Football Club that contested the first premiership in WA in 1885.

THIS YEAR'S AFL Heritage Round is the round 14 clash against Sydney at the SCG. This year's heritage theme is a celebration of football in the '70s.

With Sydney's red and white playing strip similar to the Fremantle Heritage guernsey worn since 2003 (white with red V), Fremantle will celebrate the '70s era and the famous 1979 Grand Final between East Fremantle (blue and white) and South Fremantle (red and white).

The 1979 Grand Final, played before the largest football crowd ever in Western Australia where 52,817 packed Subiaco Oval, was won by East Fremantle defeating South Fremantle 21.19 (145) to 16.16 (112).

In the 150th anniversary year of the foundation of Western Australia, more than one million attended football matches for the first time in WAFL history in 1979.

The East Fremantle Premiership side in 1979 was captained by Brian Peake, legend of the Fremantle Football Club (inducted in 1976) and father of current Fremantle player Brett Peake. Peake's Vice Captain was current Fremantle Football Club Director Tony Buhagiar.

Brian Peake led the side to the 1979 premiership in his first season as captain. He also led WA to victory in the State of Origin Championship, winning the Tassie Medal as the outstanding player of the carnival, was selected as captain of the All Australian Side and later won the Lynn Medal as East Fremantle's Fairest and Best for the fourth year in succession. Tony Buhagiar was also selected in the All Australian side in 1979.

The 1979 East Fremantle Premiership side was an all-West Australian side coached by a West Australian:

*Backs:*  
A.Purser, R.Crouch M.Dobson

*Half-backs:*  
M.Carrott, D.Green, P.LeCras

*Centres:*  
R.Lester-Smith, S.Green, J.Sims

*Half-forwards:*  
M.Turco, J.Sewell, W.Cormack

*Forwards:*  
K.Judge, I.Thomson, K.Taylor

*Ruck:*  
G.Carter, B.Peake, T.Buhagiar

*Interchange:*  
R.Johnson, G.Kickett

*Coach:*  
B.Smith

Kevin Taylor led the way in the Grand Final with 7 goals that took his season tally to 102 goals and he won the Simpson Medal. Tony Buhagiar played his 100th league game in the Grand Final.

Three members of the 1979 premiership side also played in the 1974 premiership side – Doug Green, Brian Peake and Tony Buhagiar.

The Fremantle Football Club is proud to be able to recognise and celebrate the great tradition of football in Fremantle in the '70s by wearing the blue and white of East Fremantle in the round 14 clash against Sydney wearing the red and white.

The club's East Fremantle aligned players are Shaun McManus, Paul Hasleby, Luke McPharlin, Josh Carr, Matthew Carr, Steven Dodd, Ryley Dunn, Andrew Foster, Garrick Ibbotson, Matthew Pavlich, Calib Mourish, Brett Peake, and Aaron Sandilands.

Tony Buhagiar's  
1979  
Premiership  
jumper



## Own a Heritage Guernsey From the Game

That's right! You can own one of the 2007 Heritage Playing Guernseys from the round 14 game against Sydney on 8 July.

Each player's guernsey will be auctioned straight after the game on the club's web site at [www.fremantlefc.com.au](http://www.fremantlefc.com.au). They will be match-worn straight off the players backs after the game and will be signed by the player and include a Certificate of Authenticity.

A fantastic piece of Fremantle heritage this would take pride of place in any home or office. Full details of the auction will be available on the club's web site on 1 July.



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**STATISTICS AFTER ROUND 12**

Ladder Position: 11th (as at 17/06/07)

Ave Winning Margin: 26 pts

Ave Losing Margin: 23 pts

Ave Score For: 96.3 pts

Ave Score Against: 99.0 pts

**PLAYED ALL 12 GAMES**

Shaun McManus	Des Headland
Antoni Grover	David Mundy
Chris Tarrant	Matthew Pavlich
Aaron Sandilands	Peter Bell
Roger Hayden	

**Remaining Fixtures**

Round 13	vs Carlton	Saturday 30 June	2:10pm	Subiaco
Round 14	vs Sydney	Sunday 8 July	1:10pm	SCG
Round 15	vs Kangaroos	Sunday 15 July	2:40pm	Subiaco
Round 16	vs Adelaide	Saturday 21 July	2:40pm	AAMI Stadium
Round 17	vs Geelong	Saturday 28 July	2:10pm	Subiaco
Round 18	vs West Coast	Sunday 5 August	2:40pm	Subiaco
Round 19	vs Essendon	Sunday 12 August	2:40pm	Subiaco
Round 20	vs St Kilda	Saturday 18 August	2:10pm	Telstra Dome
Round 21	vs Melbourne	Saturday 25 August	2:10pm	Subiaco
Round 22	vs Port Adelaide	Saturday 1 September	7:10pm	AAMI Stadium

All times are local time – for WA time subtract 2 hours for games at SCG and Telstra Dome, and subtract 1.5 hours for games at AAMI Stadium

**THE TOP 5's**

Goals	Total	Ave Per Game
Matthew Pavlich	37	3.1 (12 games)
Chris Tarrant	24	2.0 (12 games)
Des Headland	15	1.3 (12 games)
Peter Bell	12	1.0 (12 games)
Ryan Crowley	8	0.7 (11 games)

Disposals	Total	Avg Per Game
Peter Bell	277	23.1 (12 games)
Paul Hasleby	272	24.7 (11 games)
Shaun McManus	231	19.3 (12 games)
Josh Carr	229	20.8 (11 games)
Des Headland	209	17.4 (12 games)

Kicks	Total	Avg Per Game
Peter Bell	160	13.3 (12 games)
Matthew Pavlich	158	13.2 (12 games)
Des Headland	141	11.8 (12 games)
Josh Carr	139	12.6 (11 games)
Chris Tarrant	136	11.3 (12 games)

Handballs	Total	Avg Per Game
Paul Hasleby	146	13.3 (11 games)
Peter Bell	117	10.6 (12 games)
Shaun McManus	116	9.7 (12 games)
Steven Dodd	91	8.3 (11 games)
Josh Carr	90	8.2 (11 games)

Tackles	Total	Avg Per Game
Dean Solomon	53	4.8 (11 games)
Shaun McManus	40	3.3 (12 games)
Matthew Carr	39	3.6 (11 games)
Steven Dodd	33	3.0 (11 games)
Josh Carr	33	3.0 (11 games)

Marks	Total	Avg Per Game
Matthew Pavlich	105	8.8 (12 games)
Chris Tarrant	89	7.4 (12 games)
Luke McPharlin	79	7.2 (11 games)
Roger Hayden	68	5.7 (12 games)
Peter Bell	67	5.6 (12 games)

Hitouts	Total	Avg Per Game
Aaron Sandilands	328	27.3 (12 games)
Robert Warnock	40	10.0 (4 games)

Frees for	Total	Avg Per Game
Dean Solomon	18	1.6 (11 games)
Josh Carr	15	1.4 (11 games)
Steven Dodd	15	1.4 (11 games)
Aaron Sandilands	15	1.3 (12 games)
Peter Bell	15	1.3 (12 games)



**MILESTONES (FROM ROUNDS 1 TO 12)**

- Chris Tarrant – FFC Debut, Round 1 v Port Adelaide, 31 March 2007 at Subiaco Oval
- Dean Solomon – FFC Debut, Round 1 v Port Adelaide, 31 March 2007 at Subiaco Oval
- Chris Tarrant – 300 AFL goals, Round 1 v Port Adelaide, 31 March 2007 at Subiaco Oval
- Paul Hasleby – 150 AFL/FFC Games, Round 4 v Melbourne, 22 April 2007 at MCG
- Shaun McManus – 200 AFL/FFC Games, Round 5 v Adelaide, 29 April 2007 at Subiaco Oval
- Josh Carr – 50 FFC Games, Round 5 v Adelaide, 29 April 2007 at Subiaco Oval
- Robert Warnock – AFL/FFC Debut, Round 6 v Brisbane, 6 May 2007 at the Gabba
- Luke McPharlin – 100 AFL/FFC Games, Round 8 v Geelong, 19 May 2007 at Skilled Stadium
- Steven Dodd – 50 AFL/FFC Games, Round 8 v Geelong, 19 May 2007 at Skilled Stadium
- David Mundy – 50 AFL/FFC Games, Round 8 v Geelong, 19 May 2007 at Skilled Stadium
- Clayton Collard – AFL/FFC Debut, Round 9 v St Kilda, 25 May 2007 at Subiaco Oval

- Matthew Carr – 150 AFL Games, Round 10 v Collingwood, 1 June 2007 at the MCG
- Garrick Ibbotson – AFL/FFC Debut, Round 11 v Richmond, 10 June 2007 at Subiaco Oval
- James Walker – 150 AFL Games, Round 12 v Western Bulldogs, 16 June 2007 at TIO Stadium

**FIRSTS (FROM ROUNDS 1 TO 12)**

- 1st AFL Goal – Paul Duffield, Round 1 v Port Adelaide, 31 March 2007 at Subiaco Oval
- 1st AFL Goal – Adam Campbell, Round 4 v Melbourne, 22 April 2007 at MCG
- 1st AFL Goal – Robert Warnock, Round 6 v Brisbane, 6 May 2007 at the Gabba
- 1st AFL Goal – Scott Thornton, Round 11 v Richmond, 10 June 2007 at Subiaco Oval
- 1st AFL Goal – Garrick Ibbotson, Round 11 v Richmond, 10 June 2007 at Subiaco Oval

**CLUB RECORDS (FROM ROUNDS 1 TO 12)**

- Highest home crowd v Adelaide, Round 5, 29 April 2007 - 37,172
- Highest home crowd v Hawthorn, Round 7, 13 May 2007 – 36,481
- Highest home crowd v Richmond, Round 11, 10 June 2007 – 37,177

**ROUND 1 v PORT ADELAIDE**

Saturday 31 March 2007, Subiaco Oval 2:10pm

**Fremantle 8.1 10.4 14.5 16.9 (105)**

**Port Adelaide 3.4 6.6 16.7 19.7 (121)**

Goals: Pavlich 5

Kicks: Headland 15

Handballs: McManus 16

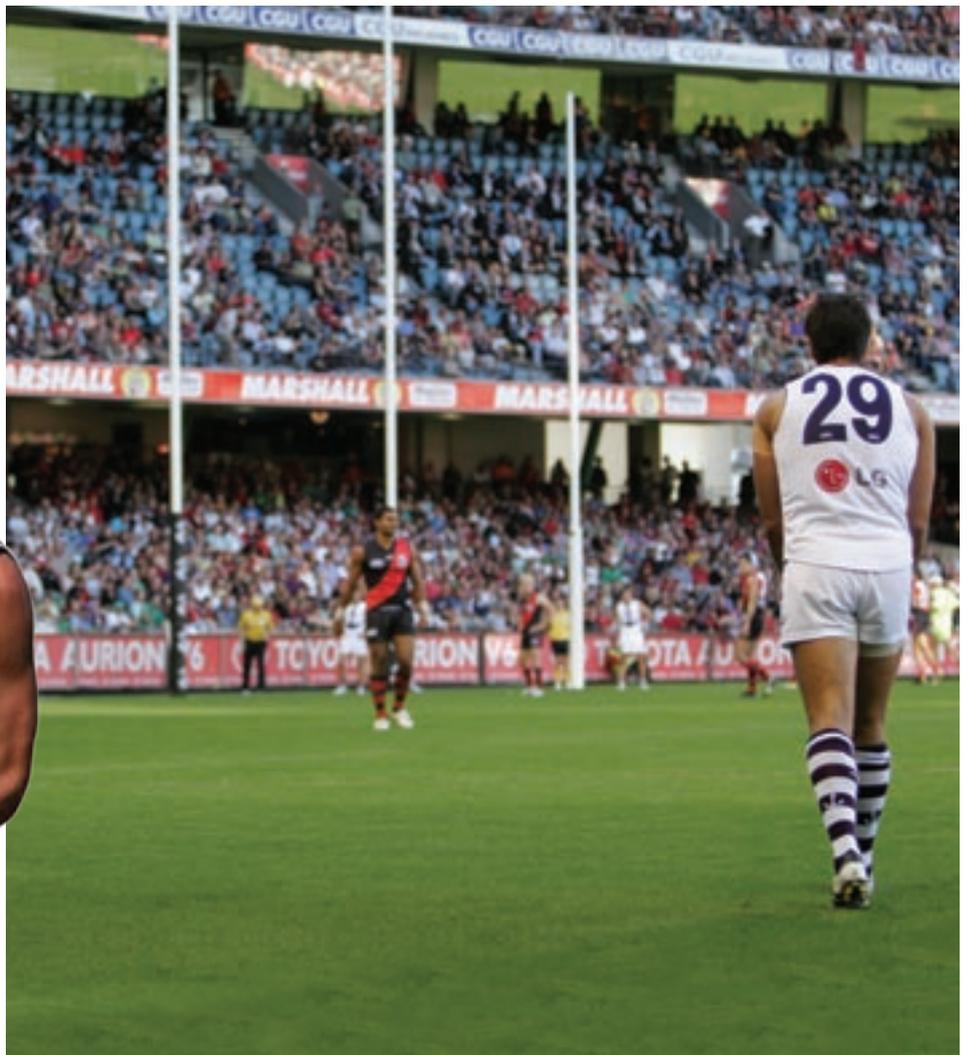
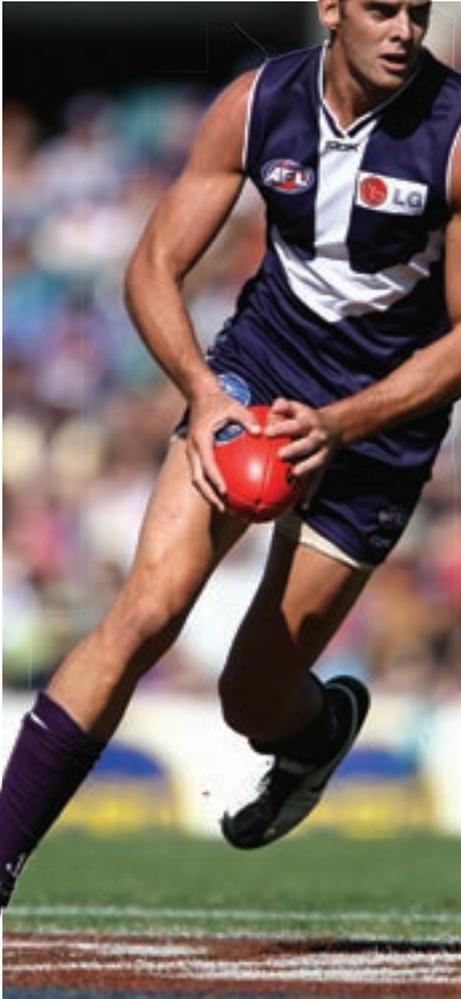
Disposals: McManus 28

Marks: Pavlich 12

Tackles: J. Carr 7

Crowd: 37,452

FFC Debut: Chris Tarrant,  
Dean Solomon



**ROUND 2 v ESSENDON**

Sunday 8 April 2007, Telstra Dome 2:10pm

**Fremantle 2.3 6.5 12.8 17.10 (112)**

**Essendon 5.2 8.5 15.6 19.8 (122)**

Goals: Pavlich 4, Tarrant 4

Kicks: Pavlich 17

Handballs: McManus 9

Disposals: Hasleby 22

Marks: Bell 11

Tackles: J. Carr 4

Crowd: 32,623

**ROUND 3 v WEST COAST**

Saturday 14 April 2007, Subiaco Oval 5:40pm

**Fremantle 1.2 4.4 8.4 11.4 (70)**

**West Coast 4.1 6.6 9.11 14.17 (101)**

Goals: Pavlich, J. Carr 2

Kicks: Hasleby 20

Handballs: Gilmore 9

Disposals: Hasleby 24

Marks: Walker 10

Tackles: Dodd 8

Crowd: 42,051

**ROUND 4 v MELBOURNE**

Sunday 22 April 2007, MCG 2:10pm

**Fremantle 5.2 10.5 17.8 21.11 (137)**

**Melbourne 3.5 4.9 9.11 13.14 (92)**

Goals: Pavlich 6

Kicks: Headland 22

Handballs: Hasleby, McManus 16

Disposals: Hasleby 37

Marks: Pavlich 12

Tackles: McManus, Mundy 5

Crowd: 16,654

Milestone: Paul Hasleby 150 FFC/AFL Games



## Round by Round

### ROUND 5 v ADELAIDE

Sunday 29 April 2007, Subiaco Oval 2:40pm

<b>Fremantle</b>	<b>2.3</b>	<b>3.7</b>	<b>5.13</b>	<b>7.16</b>	<b>(58)</b>
<b>Adelaide</b>	<b>3.0</b>	<b>4.2</b>	<b>6.5</b>	<b>8.9</b>	<b>(57)</b>

Goals: Cook 3

Kicks: Black, Mundy 16

Handballs: Hasleby, Black 11

Disposals: Black 27

Marks: McPharlin 10

Tackles: Solomon 12

Crowd: 37,172

Milestone: Shaun McManus 200 FFC/AFL Games

### ROUND 6 v BRISBANE

Sunday 6 May 2007, Gabba 1:10pm

<b>Fremantle</b>	<b>4.5</b>	<b>7.8</b>	<b>9.14</b>	<b>10.15</b>	<b>(75)</b>
<b>Brisbane</b>	<b>5.5</b>	<b>9.10</b>	<b>12.15</b>	<b>17.18</b>	<b>(120)</b>

Goals: Pavlich, Tarrant 3

Kicks: Black 19

Handballs: Dodd 13

Disposals: Black 27

Marks: Tarrant 12

Tackles: M. Carr, Headland, McManus 5

Crowd: 27,175

AFL/FFC Debut: Robert Warnock



### ROUND 7 v HAWTHORN

Sunday 13 May 2007, Subiaco Oval 2:40pm

<b>Fremantle</b>	<b>1.1</b>	<b>6.6</b>	<b>10.10</b>	<b>14.12</b>	<b>(96)</b>
<b>Hawthorn</b>	<b>3.3</b>	<b>6.6</b>	<b>9.11</b>	<b>11.14</b>	<b>(80)</b>

Goals: Campbell 4

Kicks: Black 20

Handballs: Hasleby 17

Disposals: Black 33

Marks: Crowley 12

Tackles: Black 6

Crowd: 36,481

### ROUND 8 v GEELONG

Saturday 19 May 2007, Skilled Stadium 2:10pm

<b>Fremantle</b>	<b>3.2</b>	<b>4.6</b>	<b>5.7</b>	<b>10.9</b>	<b>(69)</b>
<b>Geelong</b>	<b>6.0</b>	<b>9.5</b>	<b>11.9</b>	<b>14.10</b>	<b>(94)</b>

Goals: Pavlich, Bell 3

Kicks: Johnson 18

Handballs: Hayden 12

Disposals: Johnson, Hayden 25

Marks: McPharlin 13

Tackles: Solomon 13

Crowd: 20,435

Milestones: 100 AFL Games Luke McPharlin

50 AFL/FFC Games Steven Dodd

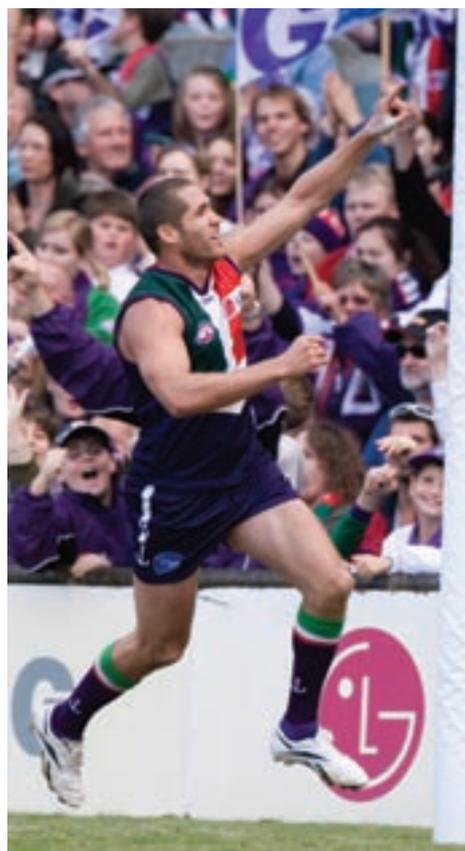
50 AFL/FFC Games David Mundy

**ROUND 9 v ST KILDA**

Friday 25 May 2007, Subiaco Oval 6:40pm

<b>Fremantle</b>	<b>6.6</b>	<b>8.6</b>	<b>10.9</b>	<b>15.11</b>	<b>(101)</b>
<b>St Kilda</b>	<b>1.4</b>	<b>2.11</b>	<b>5.16</b>	<b>6.19</b>	<b>(55)</b>

Goals: Pavlich, Tarrant, Bell 3  
 Kicks: Black 21  
 Handballs: Hasleby 22  
 Disposals: Hasleby 33  
 Marks: McPharlin 20  
 Tackles: Hasleby 7  
 Crowd: 39,034  
 AFL/FFC Debut: Clayton Collard



**ROUND 10 v COLLINGWOOD**

Friday 1 June 2007, MCG 7:40pm

<b>Fremantle</b>	<b>5.3</b>	<b>8.6</b>	<b>10.11</b>	<b>13.16</b>	<b>(94)</b>
<b>Collingwood</b>	<b>3.5</b>	<b>7.7</b>	<b>12.12</b>	<b>15.13</b>	<b>(103)</b>

Goals: Pavlich 4  
 Kicks: Pavlich 19  
 Handballs: Hasleby 23  
 Disposals: Hasleby 34  
 Marks: Pavlich 13  
 Tackles: Webster 6  
 Crowd: 44,480  
 Milestone: 150 AFL games Matthew Carr



**ROUND 11 v RICHMOND**

Sunday 10 June 2007, Subiaco Oval 2:40pm

<b>Fremantle</b>	<b>1.3</b>	<b>4.8</b>	<b>10.10</b>	<b>18.15</b>	<b>(123)</b>
<b>Richmond</b>	<b>4.5</b>	<b>6.9</b>	<b>10.9</b>	<b>15.12</b>	<b>(102)</b>

Goals: Headland 5  
 Kicks: Bell 20  
 Handballs: Bell 18  
 Disposals: Bell 38  
 Marks: Pavlich 15  
 Tackles: M. Carr 9  
 Crowd: 37,177  
 AFL/FFC Debut: Garrick Ibbotson

**ROUND 12 v WESTERN BULLDOGS**

Saturday 16 June 2007, TIO Stadium 7:10pm

<b>Fremantle</b>	<b>7.4</b>	<b>10.10</b>	<b>13.17</b>	<b>16.19</b>	<b>(115)</b>
<b>Western Bulldogs</b>	<b>5.3</b>	<b>10.5</b>	<b>15.6</b>	<b>22.9</b>	<b>(141)</b>

Goals: Pavlich 3  
 Kicks: J. Carr, Bell 18  
 Handballs: Hasleby 18  
 Disposals: Bell 34  
 Marks: Mundy 11  
 Tackles: Cook 5  
 Crowd: 11,449  
 Milestone: James Walker 150 FFC/AFL Games



## Subiaco Match Day Diary

**Round 13 v Carlton**  
Game day promotion by 92.9



**Round 15 v Kangaroos**  
Game day promotion by Bigpond



**Round 17 v Geelong**  
Game day promotion by Members Equity Bank

■ Subway Challenge



**Round 19 v Essendon**  
Women's Round  
Game day promotion by LG

■ Long Bomb and Quick Kick Finals



Life's Good

**Round 21 v Melbourne**  
Game day promotion by Spa Showcase



## For the Diary

For full details on these and other club events, please visit the Members or Events sections of the club's website at [www.fremantlefc.com.au](http://www.fremantlefc.com.au). Here are some key events and dates to remember:

### Members Pre-Game Luncheons

The popular pre-game luncheons are a great way to get together before the game and meet with fellow members and supporters. Pre-game luncheons are \$45 per adult (children under 12 years of age are \$30) and include a buffet meal with special door prizes on offer. Drinks are available for purchase and tables will consist of eight to ten people. The dates for the remaining 2007 lunches:

**SATURDAY 28 JULY 2007**  
Fremantle v Geelong

**SATURDAY 25 AUGUST 2007**  
Fremantle v Melbourne

If you would like to make a booking or require further information please contact our membership team on 9433 7111.

### Victorian Members Function

**18 AUGUST 2007**  
To be held at Telstra Dome following the Round 20 match against St Kilda. Please see website for further details.



### Carlton Mid Gala Dinner Auction

**11 JULY 2007**  
The 2007 Fremantle Football Club Carlton Mid Gala

Dinner Auction will be held at the Burswood Grand Ballroom on Wednesday 11 July. The auction is the club's biggest fundraising event each year with all proceeds directly benefiting the club's Community Development Programme (CDP).

The silent auction as usual will feature a fantastic range of sporting memorabilia, fine wine, home products and much much more thanks to our generous Sponsors and Corporate Partners. Australian crooner Frank Bennett will provide the entertainment throughout the evening.

Last Chance! Tickets to the Carlton Mid Gala Dinner Auction always go quickly so don't



delay in securing your ticket as soon as possible. Tickets can be purchased for \$165 per person or \$1,650 per table of 10. For further details visit [www.fremantlefc.com.au](http://www.fremantlefc.com.au) or contact the club directly on 9433 7000.

### Doig Medal Presentation Dinner

**6 OCTOBER 2007**

The gala event of the year crowning the club's Doig Medallist as the Best and Fairest player for 2007 will again be held at the Perth Convention and Exhibition Centre on Saturday 6 October. Full details will be available on the club's website [www.fremantlefc.com.au](http://www.fremantlefc.com.au).



### WHY SUBIACO OVAL'S FUTURE MATTERS TO YOU, OUR FOOTBALL FANS

By now you have probably read about the report from the Major Stadia Taskforce, which makes recommendations on the best sites for a 60,000-seat stadium in Perth.

Many football supporters will have already formed an opinion on this report, which recommended Kitchener Park in Subiaco and the former power station in East Perth as the best sites for a new stadium. But you may not realise how big an issue this is for football.

Subiaco Oval's future matters to every player, parent and spectator engaged with football. This is because the oval generates most of the money the West Australian Football Commission ploughs back into football competitions including the West Australian Football League as well as community

programs like NAB AFL Auskick and primary and high school competitions for children.

Over the past 10 years the WAFC has provided almost \$33 million in funding to the WAFL. From coaching and management grants to WAFL umpiring and finals, the WAFC has been committed to ensuring the WAFL competition maintains its elite status and continues to thrive as WA's second tier of football.

The WAFL competition and these other football programs help bring our communities together, teach kids teamwork and leadership and provide a huge range of health and fitness benefits that combat growing problems like obesity. The fact that our state premier league competition and these other programs are largely financed by the current oval arrangements is in danger of being forgotten in the hype surrounding new stadiums.

The WAFC will review the report with an open mind and is awaiting more detailed financial information to clarify some of its concerns about the recommendations.

The bottom line is that the WAFC needs to understand exactly how and why the Taskforce thinks its recommendations will leave football 'better off'. After all, that was the Government's public statement to the sport and its spectators – that football would end up 'better off' if a new stadium was built.

Some of the questions football has asked after seeing the report recommending a new stadium are:

- How will football be prioritised at a new stadium, both for games and training?
- Will football supporters be required to pay more to attend matches?
- How will football maintain the income streams required to self-

fund its community and junior football development programs without taxpayer support?

- Is a new venue financially sustainable?
- Will operating costs and hire fees be more?
- How will the WAFC maintain its funding of the WAFL and grassroots football if it does not have the rights to manage its own stadium?

Football supporters interested in the WAFC's latest proposal for Subiaco Oval, which involves rebuilding 85 percent of the current site, should visit the website [www.subiacooval.com.au](http://www.subiacooval.com.au). The New Subiaco Oval proposal was submitted by the WAFC to the Taskforce in March and is costed at \$460 million to deliver new seats for 89 percent of spectators and new facilities for everyone.



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# Magic Result for Starlight

SEASON 2007 kicked off with the Starlight Purple Haze Game and raised a record \$40,363.20 for the Starlight Children's Foundation.

Proudly supported by Fremantle Ports, the record result brings the total raised for the Starlight Children's Foundation over the five years of the Purple Haze Games to over \$150,000.

Once again, Fremantle members and supporters showed their generosity and dug deep on game day to help seriously ill children in Western Australia and filled the tins of the hundreds of Fremantle Ports and Starlight volunteers around the ground before the game.

The money raised this year will grant five wishes to seriously ill children in WA and \$15,000 will go towards the Starlight Escapes Program, an initiative that brings together families and children to enjoy a special day of fun and excitement together.

With members and supporters busy turning Subiaco Oval into a sea of purple, in the change rooms ten lucky Starlight children had the opportunity to meet the players before bouncedown in a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity.



Thanks to 92.9 - Perth's number One Hit Music Station, the 'Purple Play-Off' was once again a success with seven year old Joshua Starling taking the honours as best-dressed in his fantastic Fremantle wharfie costume.

For ten year old Samuel Lazarides of Trigg, the special day was capped off by being chosen as this year's Starlight child to toss the coin before the game.

On behalf of Fremantle Ports and The Starlight Children's Foundation, the club would like to thank everyone who gave so generously to help the children. ☺



## Ports Help Spread

TO KICK off the 2007 Starlight Purple Haze Game, Fremantle Ports held a Purple Haze Sausage Sizzle at the port with all proceeds going to the Starlight Children's Foundation.

The 200-strong crowd of Fremantle Port staff, as well as local businesses came dressed in plenty of purple and enjoyed the opportunity to meet the Purple Haze Ambassadors in Des

Headland, Ryan Murphy, Chris Tarrant and Aaron Sandilands.

Everyone indulged in a tasty sausage sizzle and relished the chance to take the players on in the handball competition, with the 92.9 Roadrunners handing out some fantastic prizes.

Thanks must go to Fremantle Ports for the fantastic event and also to the wonderful people who sponsored the delicious



**'HAZE YOUR BUSINESS' A HIT**

BUSINESSES across the metropolitan area threw their support behind the 2007 Starlight Purple Haze Game by dressing their businesses PURPLE!

Every business that registered received a Purple Haze pack including posters, balloons, flags and a Starlight collection tin to get them started. There was plenty of passion used to decorate the businesses PURPLE with the final choice of winner proving no easy task.

Fremantle City Library were judged the winners and enjoyed the Starlight Purple Haze game from the luxury of a six seat VIP Corporate Box complete with catering. A close second was Beyond the Fringe hairdressing salon in Fremantle.



# Starlight Magic

breakfast. The barbecues were donated by Coates Hire, the bread rolls by Bovells, the sausages were donated by Bill the Better Butcher in Willagee and thanks must also go to Zest Caterers, Balloon World in Myeree and 92.9 for their contributions to the fundraising effort.

In addition to the breakfast, in the weeks leading up to the game, Ryan visited children at St John

of God Murdoch where he fast became Captain's Starlight's magical assistant, while Des, Aaron and Chris spent time at Fremantle Hospital cheering up the children.

All four Purple Haze Ambassadors also spent an afternoon in the Starlight Express Room at Princess Margaret Hospital, playing on the Starlight Fun Centres and the foosball table with the children! ☺



# Record Rattle for Salvos

Fremantle supporters have once again dug deep for the Salvo's with the Alinta Red Shield Appeal Match Day against Hawthorn raising a record \$17,135.75.

**RED SHIELD APPEAL**

THE PARTNERSHIP between Fremantle and Alinta over the past five seasons through the Alinta Red Shield Appeal Match Day aims to provide support to the fantastic work done by the Salvation Army in our community. Since its inception in 2003 and with the record result this year, the Alinta Red Shield Appeal Match Day has raised nearly \$60,000 for the Salvos.

"Once again it is a great result and the generosity is remarkable. Everyone involved should feel humbled to know that all the money raised at the match will go towards many of the vital services we provide to the community on a daily basis," said The Salvation Army's Divisional Public Relations Secretary, Warren Palmer.

"Every 20 seconds someone is helped by The Salvation Army in Australia," he said.

"Our services such as our family support, homeless shelters, drug and alcohol rehabilitation and women's refuges, to name a few, play a vital role in supporting the least, the lost and the last in our community."

Alinta is proud supporter of The Salvation Army and also contributes to the Salvos Community Support Services to help local families in need.

"Over the last five years, Alinta has been honoured to be involved with The Salvation Army and have been pleased to support the Red Shield Appeal which has a marked effect on many people's lives in Western Australia," said Alinta Executive General Manager Energy Investments Ian Devenish.

"A huge thank you must go to all the volunteers for their time to do the collection and also to the members and supporters for their continued generosity."



## New Sponsor Welcomed

FREMANTLE WELCOMES new Silver Level Sponsor Marine and Civil Construction to the club for the next three years, becoming the club's 24th sponsor.

Founded in 1992 and operating from North Fremantle, Marine and Civil specialise in marine related civil engineering and driven piled foundations with projects throughout Western Australia and Singapore. The most recent projects include the iron ore load out facility for Mount Gibson (previously Aztec Resources) on Koolan Island and the modification of Berth Five at the Port of Geraldton.

Over the last 15 years the company has been involved in some of the construction industry's most challenging marine related and specialist foundation projects, such as the Underwater Observatory in Busselton and the Cable Beach Artificial Surf Reef.



Other projects include the primary design and construction contractor on the Berth 1 Extension for the Port Hedland Port Authority; the Joint Venture operations with Bauer, the world's largest foundation contractor, on the New Metro Rail Project; and as a major sub-contractor on projects such as the Graham Farmer Freeway bridge piling and Narrows Bridge duplication piling and pile caps.

With over 100 employees located in five sites throughout Western Australia, Marine and Civil, led by Directors Trevor Poustie (Chairman), John Neylon (CEO), Kay Giles and Alan Sweet, has an annual turnover in excess of \$40 million.



## Coles Baldivis Store Launch a Huge Success

RYLEY DUNN and Andrew Browne attended the launch of the new Coles Supermarkets (WA) store in Baldivis in May in conjunction with Coca-Cola Amatil (WA). The players conducted handball competitions with the local children giving away over 200 Fremantle and Coca-Cola Zero branded prizes. The players also spent time signing hundreds of team posters for supporters. Coles is also proudly involved with the Community Development Programme supporting grassroots football. Thanks to Coles, proud sponsor of the club.



## Star for a Day

AUGUST WILL be your chance to be a 'Star For A Day' at a Fremantle home game thanks to Gemmill Homes. The promotion will see one lucky winner and five of their friends be a real 'Star For A Day', starting with a limousine arriving at winner's home for a trip to Subiaco Oval in envious comfort, a tour of the Fremantle change rooms with an Assistant Coach as your guide, before moving on to dine in the Admiral's Suite where you will be visited by two non playing players for a photo and signing opportunity. And just to round off the pre-match indulgences, the winner will be interviewed on ground and



presented a sensational prize pack. Exhausted? Not to worry, after the game the winner and friends can sit back and enjoy the luxury limousine ride back home. Please note that the winner and guests must be 18 years and over and must wear a jacket and tie – no denim (ladies equivalent). Look out for entry details in the New Homes section of *The West Australian*.

## Coach Spruiks Spas

PROUD COACHES Sponsor Spa Showcase recently produced a new television commercial to promote its Footy Fever Sale featuring Senior Coach Chris Connolly highlighting the incredible discounts that are on offer during the sale.

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Spa Showcase is once again very pleased to have Chris represent the company and demonstrating the benefits that come with owning a spa.

The television commercial is currently on air and will run throughout the 2007 football season.

## Life's Good for our Members!

THE GOAL of Major Sponsor LG Electronics is to make consumers' lives better than ever and at each Fremantle home game they are giving you the chance to win LG Products to make your everyday tasks easier!

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To enter, simply SMS the correct answer to 199 23 224. You can enter as many times as you like.

The winner will be announced at three quarter time and walk away with an LG product valued at over \$1000 RRP.

There are still plenty of great prizes to win including a wireless home theatre, a dishwasher and a high definition DVD recorder.

Michael Lange of Willetton is one lucky Fremantle Member who has won the competition. "I have been entering the SMS competition for the last two seasons, but I never actually thought I'd win it," Michael said. "I chat with the ladies in front of me and we decide the correct answer before I enter. I think they were more excited than I was when I received the phone call to say that I had won!"

Life's Good with LG! Don't miss your chance to win at Fremantle's next home game.



## A Bigger Hart

A PROUD sponsor of the club since 2000, The Rick Hart Group has increased its loyal support in season 2007 to Gold Level Sponsor. Attendances at the Rick Hart Member VIP nights more than doubled in 2006 and together with player ambassador Aaron Sandilands they are looking to make a bigger mark this year. General Manager Nicholas Kirby said that as an organisation "we are passionate about our support and it was with great pleasure we continue our long term commitment to the club and increase our sponsorship level to Gold".



# Member Rewards



Exclusive rewards for Fremantle Members

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## Hi kids,

THANKS FOR all your support so far this year. The last edition of the Docker saw a record number of entries for the Wiz Kidz Competitions, so keep entering and you could win some great prizes!

The winners from edition one were Jessica Kenney from Marangaroo, Shannon Gill from Victoria, Ben Gray from Seville Grove, Andrew Marrollo from Winthrop, and the Duke Household from the ACT. Congratulations.

How fast is the season going? I can't believe it's the mid-season break already. I hope you have been getting to the games and cheering the boys on!

My favourite game of the season so far was the Friday night game against St Kilda under lights at Subiaco Oval. This was also the AFL's Indigenous Round which was a celebration of the contribution of Indigenous Australians to football. I hope you enjoyed that match day too.

Well, I have to get to training. Enjoy this edition of Wiz Kidz!

Til next time



Jeff Farmer



## Team Trivia

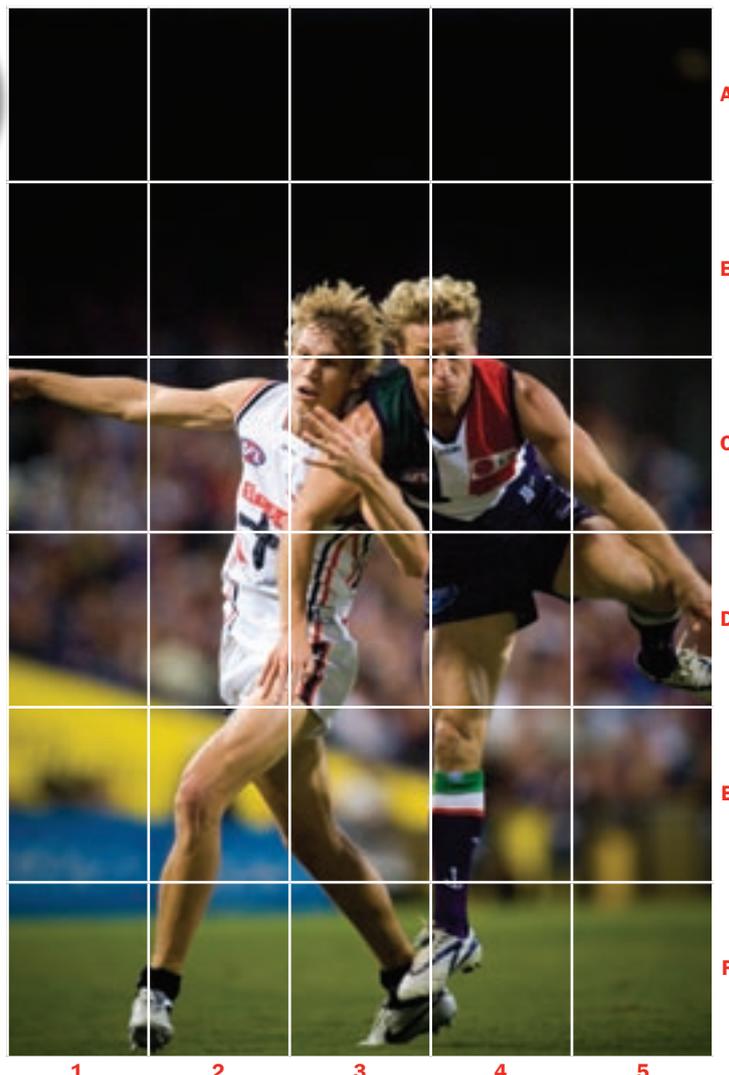
Answer the following questions and add the answers together. The total of the answers should equal 2523. Use the club's web site to help you. Good Luck!

- 1 How many games has Justin Longmuir played? ?
- 2 What number does Adam Campbell wear? ?
- 3 How many points did we beat Adelaide by in round 5? ?
- 4 If Des Headland kicked 3 goals 2 points, what does that equal? ?
- 5 How old is Troy Cook? ?
- 6 How many players are on the field at the start of a game? ?
- 7 Heath Black recently signed to stay with the club until what year? ?
- 8 What round was the Starlight Purple Haze game held in 2007? ?
- 9 How much does Luke Webster weigh? ?
- 10 How tall is Byron Schammer? ?

**Total:**

**2523**

Email your answers along with your name and contact details to [competitions@fremantlefc.com.au](mailto:competitions@fremantlefc.com.au) to go into the draw for your chance to win a Wiz Kidz Yogo Brownes Prize Pack.

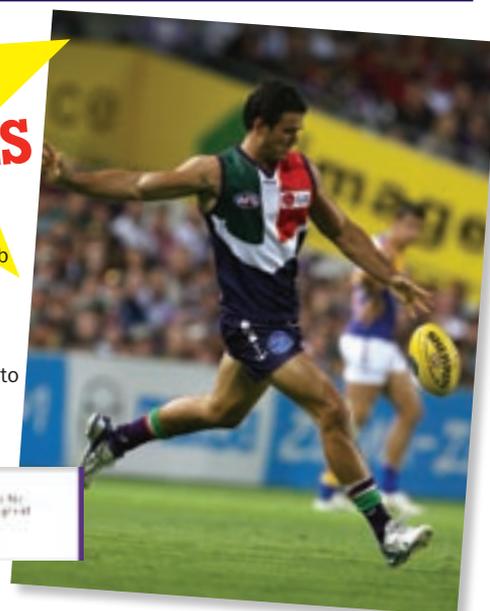
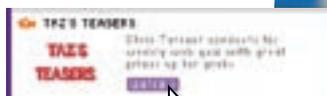


## Spot the Ball

Can you spot where the ball should be? Use the grid to spot the ball and email your answer along with your name and contact details to [competitions@fremantlefc.com.au](mailto:competitions@fremantlefc.com.au) and go into the draw to win a Wiz Kidz Yogo Brownes prize pack!

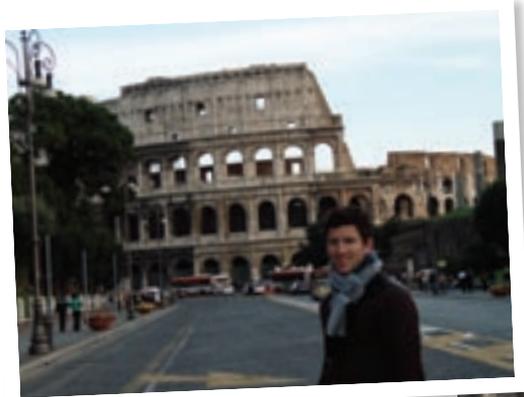
## TAZ'S TEASERS

Kids, try your hand at 'Taz's Teasers' on the club website every Monday! Chris Tarrant's web-quiz is fun and easy to enter. There are great prizes for the weekly winner! Log onto [www.fremantlefc.com.au](http://www.fremantlefc.com.au) to take on Taz's Teasers!



## My favourite holiday destination to **CHILL** out in the off season is:

- Luke Webster: Rottneest
- Aaron Sandilands: Las Vegas
- Matthew Pavlich: Italy
- Steven Dodd: Thailand
- Chris Tarrant: Greek Islands
- Andrew Foster: Coral Bay
- James Walker: Spain
- Luke McPharlin: Hawaii
- David Mundy: Barcelona
- Troy Cook: Carnarvon
- Shaun McManus: Down South
- Ryley Dunn: Gold Coast
- Roger Hayden: Caribbean
- Robert Hadrill: Florence
- Brett Peake: Down South
- Robert Warnock: Maldives
- Josh Carr: Rome
- Garrick Ibbotson: Bali
- Ryan Crowley: Copenhagen
- Des Headland: Kalbarri
- Matt Carr: Broome
- Antoni Grover: Bali
- Benet Copping: Ireland



## Eye Spy



How well do you know the players? Can you pick who is looking at you? See if you can reveal who the players are in the Eye Spy competition. Match the players name with the correct eyes... *I have done the first one for you.*

1	<input type="text" value="Josh Carr"/>		A
2	<input type="text" value="Brett Peake"/>		B
3	<input type="text" value="Shaun McManus"/>		C
4	<input type="text" value="Ryan Crowley"/>		D
5	<input type="text" value="Heath Black"/>		E
6	<input type="text" value="Shane Parker"/>		F
7	<input type="text" value="Daniel Gilmore"/>		G
8	<input type="text" value="Aaron Sandilands"/>		H
9	<input type="text" value="Andrew Browne"/>		I
10	<input type="text" value="Michael Johnson"/>		J

*Answer = 1C* (with a red arrow pointing from the answer to the 3rd eye image)

How did you go? Email your answer along with your name and contact details to [competitions@fremantlefc.com.au](mailto:competitions@fremantlefc.com.au) and go into the draw to win a Wiz Kidz Yogo Brownes prize pack!

## Birthdays...

- Brett Peake is 24 on 5 July
- Calib Mourish is 19 on 8 July
- David Mundy is 22 on 20 July
- Troy Cook is 31 on 12 August
- Andrew Foster is 22 on 31 August
- Scott Thornton is 25 on 11 September
- Chris Tarrant is 27 on 18 September
- Darren Rumble is 23 on 20 September
- Benet Copping is 21 on 7 October
- Ryley Dunn is 22 on 7 October
- Michael Johnson is 23 on 20 October
- Luke McPharlin is 26 on 1 December



- Clayton Collard is 19 on 4 December
- Aaron Sandilands is 25 on 6 December
- Roger Hayden is 27 on 9 December
- Matthew Carr is 29 on 29 December
- Matthew Pavlich is 26 on 31 December



## LATEST MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

You can get all of the latest membership news

and information on upcoming events by visiting the members section on the club's website at [www.fremantlefc.com.au](http://www.fremantlefc.com.au).

## MEMBERS PRE-GAME LUNCHEONS

The popular pre-game luncheons are a great way to get together before the game and meet with fellow members and supporters. Pre-game luncheons are \$45 per adult (children under 12 years of age are \$30) and include a buffet meal with special door prizes on offer. Drinks are available for purchase and tables will consist of up to ten people. The dates for the remaining 2007 lunches are:

**Saturday 28 July**  
**Geelong V Fremantle**

**Saturday 25 August**  
**Melbourne V Fremantle**

If you would like to make a booking or require further information about the lunches please contact our membership team on 9433 7111.

## SIRENS

The Sirens season opener was held after the Fremantle v Adelaide game. More than 85 ladies attended with Dixie Marshall as the MC and Assistant Coach Peter German who joined the ladies to provide the latest insight into the team's progress.

The Sirens' second event for 2007 was a Monday Night function on 7 May where the ladies watched the team train from the comfort of the Fremantle Football Club Boardroom and were joined after training by players Ryan Crowley and Bennet Copping and Senior Coach Chris Connolly.

The Sirens next event is the upcoming movie night in August. For more details visit the Member section of the club's website.

## JUNIOR MEMBERS

Over 500 Junior Members and their parents attended the first Brownes Chill Junior Movie for 2007 at Hoyts Cinema City on Sunday 20 May. Not only did

the club's Junior Members enjoy the special showing of "Bridge to Terabithia" but also had the chance to enjoy plenty of giveaways on the day, kindly supplied by Brownes Chill.

## CHEER SQUAD

Members Equity Bank is the proud sponsor of the Fremantle Football Club Cheer Squad and has been generous this year in providing new banners and flags for game day.

Both our WA and Victorian cheer squads do a huge amount of work for the club, not only on game days but in the lead up to games as well. With that thought in mind, a big thank you to Maria Giglia from the WA Banner Team and Bev and Nicole Hambling from the Victorian Cheer Squad for their efforts in travelling to the clash against the Western Bulldogs in Darwin to support the team. A big thank you also to Dawn Wells for her efforts in co-ordinating the WA Cheer Squad.

## ROUND 18 CARLTON MID DERBY

The round 18 Carlton Mid Derby is a West Coast home game with West Coast members retaining their reserved seat membership rights for the game. Fremantle members will gain priority access to purchase any available seating (limit of four tickets per transaction with one ticket per barcode able to be purchased) released for sale on Monday 23 July and Tuesday 24 July through Ticketmaster only. From Wednesday 25 July all remaining tickets go on sale to the general public.

## SUBIACO OVAL MEMBERSHIP SERVICES CENTRE

The Fremantle Membership Services Centre at Subiaco Oval is now located at Gate 26. Fremantle Members can use this service for any ticket pick-ups and to arrange Lost Ticket Vouchers should they have lost or misplaced their 2007 Membership Card.

## LOST MEMBERSHIP CARDS

A \$10.00 fee is charged for a replacement card; however if the statutory declaration form is returned with a police report (in the case of theft) the replacement fee

will be waived and the barcode on your lost card cancelled.

## LOST CARDS ON GAME DAY

Lost Ticket Vouchers (LTVs) requested before 12:00 noon on the Friday prior to the home game will be at no charge and posted to the recipient's address. Any LTVs issued after this time or on Game Day will be charged at \$10.00 for the first occurrence, \$15.00 on the second occurrence and \$20.00 on the third occurrence. This fee is on top of the card replacement fee of \$10.00 (after the third occurrence the club has the right to cancel the card). Personal identification must be shown on game day when picking up tickets or LTVs.

## PUBLIC TRANSPORT

All 2007 Fremantle members are eligible for free public transport, three hours prior and three hours after every Fremantle home game at Subiaco Oval.

Simply present your 2007 Membership Card to receive your free transport to the game!

To plan your journey, visit the Transperth Journey Planner at [www.transperth.wa.gov.au](http://www.transperth.wa.gov.au) or call the Transperth InfoLine on 13 62 13 (TTY: 9428 1999).

To get weekly updates on Transperth services to football matches, register for TravelEasy, Transperth's FREE email update service. To register go to [www.transperth.wa.gov.au](http://www.transperth.wa.gov.au) and follow the TravelEasy prompts on the homepage.

## TRAFFIC

At the completion of the match, delays can be expected when travelling around Subiaco Oval. A traffic plan is in place after the match to facilitate pedestrian and traffic flow. Roberts Road is closed for approximately 30 minutes after each Fremantle home game.

## PARKING NEAR SUBIACO OVAL

A Residential Parking Scheme applies for the City of Subiaco and the Town of Cambridge, which restricts the amount of kerbside parking. If you drive, avoid a fine by parking at Perth Modern School.

Please note that Mueller Park is closed and will not be available for parking in 2007.

## TICKET PURCHASES FOR FREMANTLE HOME GAMES

Tickets are available from Ticketmaster outlets or by calling 1300 135 915 and 1300 136 122, online at [www.ticketmaster.com.au](http://www.ticketmaster.com.au) or at the Fremantle Team Store, at Fremantle Oval, Parry Street, Fremantle (for home games only). Tickets go on sale two weeks prior to each home game.

## TICKET PURCHASES FOR INTERSTATE GAMES

The club offers all members the opportunity to pre-purchase tickets for Fremantle interstate games by simply contacting the club three weeks prior to the interstate away game you wish to attend and using a valid credit card. Members are able to purchase tickets in a specially allocated club area at each interstate venue.

## INTERSTATE TRAVEL AND GRAND FINAL PACKAGES

Complete Travel Management is the club's travel partner and is available to assist all members with their travel arrangements, including Grand Final Packages. For further information on these packages please contact Complete Travel Management on 08 6462 7333.

## MEMBERSHIP DEPARTMENT CONTACT INFORMATION

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[www.fremantlefc.com.au](http://www.fremantlefc.com.au)

# Raffle Again Supports Community



THE ANNUAL Community Development Programme Raffle is back with bigger and better prizes in 2007. All funds raised will once again go to the club's Community Development Programme (CDP) which implements long term

community-based programmes through primary and secondary schools, Auskick centres, Junior Football clubs and charitable organisations. The Fremantle Football Club Youth League will be the beneficiary of funds raised from the 2007 raffle.

This year's raffle offers some sensational prizes with first prize a fantastic Mazda 3 Neo Hatch valued at \$24,000 plus a \$5,000 cash account from Members Equity Bank. Second prize is a sensational LG Entertainment Package valued at \$15,000, third prize a spa from Spa Showcase valued at \$11,425 and fourth prize is a \$3,500 Travel voucher from Complete Travel Management.

Tickets are just \$5.00 each and will be on sale from Tuesday 19 June 2007 through junior football clubs, schools and community groups, who retain half of the proceeds raised, further demonstrating the club's support of these community groups.

Tickets sales close on Tuesday 25 September 2007 and the raffle will be drawn on Monday 22 October 2007 with results being published in *The West Australian* newspaper Wednesday 24 October 2007.

The Fremantle Football Club Youth League is a partnership between grass roots community football and the Fremantle Football Club where the club provides its support, resources and profile to this unique under 17's competition that has expanded further in 2007 to include the Midwest and Murchison regions joining the competition along with the Peel, South West, Great Southern, Esperance and Perth metropolitan areas.

The Fremantle Football Club Youth League develops unique partnerships with local clubs and associations and its success has had a tangible impact on the participation rates of youth in football. The Fremantle Football Club Youth League now has over 3,000 players.

# Brave Youngsters an Inspiration

THIS YEAR, twelve young West Australians were recognised for their courage and determination in fighting illness at the Fremantle Football Club's annual Bravery Awards.

Fremantle and the South Metropolitan Area Health Service (SMAHS) have developed a unique and lasting relationship through the annual awards that have been a key part of the club since 1995.

The Bravery Awards which are hosted by Fremantle players recognise the amazing strength and determination of the special children and young adults who pass through the wards of hospitals within the SMAHS.

This year's recipients are from hospitals across SMAHS including Fremantle Hospital, Rockingham/Kwinana District Hospital, Armadale-Kelmscott Memorial Hospital and Royal Perth Hospital.

The awards were presented by some of Fremantle's younger players who form part of the club's development group, including Marcus Drum, Garrick Ibbotson, Robert Warnock, Benet Copping, Darren Rumble, Clayton Collard, Andrew Foster, and Calib Mourish.

The players introduced each of the award recipients and detailed their outstanding stories of bravery and strength during their hospitalisation, particularly acknowledging the often long recovery process some have faced and still face today.

More on



**Aimee Blakiston the centre of attention**



**This years bravery award winners**



**Rajvinder Sidhu with Chris Smith**



**Molly Devenny with Robert Warnock**



**Clinton Bosveld with Brock O'Brien**



## and Fremantle – a winning team

HALF WAY through the season and Fremantle's support of Redkite is already dramatically improving the lives of Western Australian children undergoing treatment for cancer.

The partnership kicked off in winning style with nine year old cancer patient (and mad Fremantle fan) Jesse Trigwell being awarded the club's number one junior ticket holder before a full media contingency at Subiaco Oval. After addressing the army of news crews and microphones, Jesse met his favourite players Michael Johnson and Peter Bell before training and joined in with some handball drills before the team set about its work. Michael Johnson is the 2007 Redkite Ambassador along with Ryan Crowley.

With the golden ticket safely tucked under Jesse's arm for the season, we were reminded of the courage and strength of the children and families Redkite has the privilege of working with.

Being a grass roots organisation, Fremantle's support benefits right at the heart of what Redkite are all about, supporting children and their families through their long and complicated journey through cancer.

With a focus on emotional support, financial assistance and educational services, Redkite are the hands on, behind the scenes helpers of families of children undergoing treatment for cancer at Perth's Princess Margaret Hospital (PMH).

Fremantle once again brightened the lives of local children battling cancer when Ryan Crowley dropped in to the oncology ward at PMH recently for a special visit. Ryan inspired all on the ward about what is possible when you put your heart into following your dream. Fifteen years ago, Ryan

had a large tumour removed from his leg and was diagnosed at the time that his dream of playing football would not be possible. But watching Ryan today playing AFL football reinforces that with the support of family, friends and the community, nothing is impossible.

With the charity partnership off to a flying start, Redkite cannot wait for what the future holds. With the club's support, Redkite is looking forward to holding several events that will help generate much needed funds for the families they work with.

For full details of the partnership and all the action of upcoming events visit the Community section of the club's web site [www.fremantlefc.com.au](http://www.fremantlefc.com.au).

Whilst the club's support of Redkite is priceless, Redkite are always in need of more assistance. Members who would like to find out more about Redkite or ways that to get involved should contact Gracie on (08) 9382 3321 or visit [www.redkite.org.au](http://www.redkite.org.au).



# Show Your Heart For Charity

THE HEART Foundation has come up with an fun way for footy fans to show support for their team while raising much-needed funds for the charity.

The Heart Foundation's Wear Your Heart on Your Sleeve event, also known as WYHOYS, encourages footy fans across the State to express their friendly rivalry with work mates, friends and family on Friday 3 August, two days before the next Carlton Mid Derby on Sunday 5 August.

Taking part is as simple as organising an office sweep, holding a footy themed quiz or wearing your team colours for a donation. It's a great opportunity to build office camaraderie and raise money for the Heart Foundation!

To register your workplace or community organisation for Wear Your Heart on Your Sleeve visit [www.heartfoundation.com.au/wyhoys](http://www.heartfoundation.com.au/wyhoys).

Another important fundraising event being organised by the Heart Foundation is Climb To The Top, where teams of up to 10 people exercise and climb the equivalent of Mt Everest during August.

Supported by Heart Foundation major sponsor Woodside Energy Ltd Climb To The Top is a great way to take steps towards a more 'heart healthy' community.

It is easy to get involved in Climb to the Top. All you have to do is:

- form a team of up to 10 people
- appoint a team coordinator
- choose a fun team name

- choose from the workplace or community categories
- determine how you will reach the summit by choosing a physical activity category – eg stair climbing, walking, swimming, cycling
- complete the registration form or register online by Monday 23 July
- set a team target and plan your fundraising activities.

To register your team online and set up a team page to accept sponsorship through the web go to [www.heartfoundation.com.au/climtothetop](http://www.heartfoundation.com.au/climtothetop).

Heart Foundation Chief Executive Maurice Swanson said he hoped Fremantle fans would get behind the two upcoming Heart Foundation fundraisers.

"Cardiovascular disease is responsible for one in three Australian deaths each year and is the biggest burden on our health system with direct and indirect costs estimated at \$14.2 billion in 2004," Mr Swanson said.

"As the Heart Foundation relies entirely on donations to continue its lifesaving research into heart disease prevention and treatment, we're hoping everyone will get involved in either WYHOYS or Climb to the Top – or both!"

Heart Foundation Ambassadors Paul Hasleby and Robert Haddrill will also be involved with the events.

For further information contact Heart Foundation Event Manager Cath Kelsall on 9382 5914.

# Welcoming New Fans

Fremantle's Welcome to the AFL Programme, a new initiative of the Community Development Programme in 2007, is designed to attract and engage new participants in Australian football, by introducing the game to those who otherwise may not have had exposure to or have a limited understanding of the game.



THE PROGRAMME will see more than 5,000 students from 25 primary and secondary schools take part this year from schools ranging from private girls schools to Intensive English Centres.

"It has been an exciting start to the programme with fantastic feedback received from all the students and teachers who have participated," said Community Development Coordinator Raffaele Guadagnino. "More importantly there are a number of students who are being exposed to Australian Rules Football for the first time and they love it."

Conducted over five weeks, the programme introduces students to different aspects of the game including the history of the game and the Fremantle Football Club, practical skill development sessions, as well as understanding and respecting the laws of the game and the officials who implement them.

Once students have a sound understanding of the game, they participate in modified game play, receiving Certificates of Participation from a Fremantle player or Johnny 'the Doc' Docker at the conclusion of the five-week course.

As part of the programme's graduation, participating students and their parents are invited to attend a Fremantle home game at Subiaco Oval, to either the round 13 game against Carlton on Saturday 30 June or the round 17 clash with Geelong on Saturday 28 July.

The club has also spread the Welcome to the AFL message to various cultural groups within the community, including taking part in the Mirrabooka Senior High School Mentoring Programme, the City of Stirling Harmony Day celebrations, and the Islamic Council Expo and Symposium.



# Kicks a Hit Again



THIS YEAR has again seen huge interest from WA primary and secondary schools to participate in the Freo Kwik Kick programme.

Nearly 400 students from 174 schools around the state paired up in Term 2 to kick a football over a short distance to see how many successful kicks and marks they could complete in three minutes.

All metropolitan school winners received an invitation to participate in the Semi Final series to be held at Fremantle Oval on Friday 20 July during the school holidays. Semi Final winners will then progress to the Freo Kwik Kick Grand Final, which will be held at Subiaco Oval prior to the Round 21 clash against Melbourne on 25 August.

The Freo Long Bomb, run in conjunction with Freo Kwik Kick, has also seen an increase in participation from WA primary and secondary schools, with 720 students from 184 schools having a big kick for fun.

The competition involves students trying to kick a football as far as they can in a fun

environment that encourages enjoyable competition while at the same time promoting school spirit and participation in sport.

The Freo Long Bomb Semi Final series will also be held at Fremantle Oval on Friday 20 July and the Semi Final winners will also have the opportunity to showcase their long kicking talents before the home crowd at Subiaco on 25 August prior to the Round 21 clash against Melbourne in the Freo Long Bomb Grand Final.



# Johnny Leads The Way



MORE THAN 3,000 students from 80 selected pre-primary centres throughout Perth will experience The Johnny 'The Doc' Docker Motor Skills Programme this year.

With its emphasis on fun and enjoyment, The Johnny 'The Doc' Docker Motor Skills Programme introduces simple play activities to pre-school students. The activities are designed to fit into outdoor play sessions that promote basic motor, communication and social skills. Young children acquire play skills through the structured learning programme conducted with the help of Fremantle players, club mascot Johnny 'The Doc' Docker and Physical Education students from Notre Dame University all delivering structured motor skill lessons to pre-primary students.

"The Fremantle Football Club should be commended for its establishment of this unique programme," University of Notre Dame Associate Professor Beth Hands said. "The partnership with the University of Notre Dame has been a terrific initiative and all pre-primary centres are encouraged to take advantage of this wonderful programme."



# Partnerships Grow

**Comet Bay Primary School, Comet Bay College, Ocean Forrest College, Forrestfield Primary School and Dalyellup Primary School are the latest additions to the club's fast growing list of partner clubs and schools in 2007.**

FREMANTLE NOW boasts 26 aligned clubs and schools that spread far and wide from metropolitan Perth to Europe and the United States of America.

Community Development Manager David Crute said the club was pleased to welcome its new partners to its growing list of partner clubs and schools.

"Supporting grass roots football is something our club takes very seriously and takes a lot of pride in," Mr Crute said. "It is very important to help establish football programmes at schools and junior football clubs that are in their infancy and need some assistance getting off the ground."

Like Fremantle's existing partner schools and football clubs, the five new partner schools received a set of Fremantle jumpers to wear as their official playing strip, a team-signed Fremantle home guernsey for fundraising purposes and a supply of Auskick footballs. The schools will also have the added bonus of Fremantle players attending a school training session and presentation ceremony.

## FREMANTLE FOOTBALL CLUB PARTNER CLUBS AND SCHOOLS

Dalyellup JFC, WA; Ellenbrook JFC, WA; Secret Harbour JFC, WA; Templestowe FC, VIC; Doncaster Heights JFC, VIC; Templestowe Park PS Auskick Centre, VIC; Donvale Auskick Centre, VIC; Burnie Dockers FC, RAS; Balmain Dockers FC, NSW; North Ryde Dockers FC, NSW; Cincinnati Dockers, USA; Hamburg Dockers, GERMANY; Dublin Dockers, IRELAND; Secret Harbour PS, WA; Ellenbrook PS, WA; Clifton Hills PS, WA; Arbor Grove PS, WA; Bicton PS, WA; St Thomas PS, WA; Balgo Community School, WA; Fremantle PS, WA; Southern Districts Junior Football Association, WA; Comet Bay PS, WA; Comet Bay College, WA; Ocean Forrest College, WA; Forrestfield PS, WA.



### FOOTY FUN IN TEMPLESTOW

More than 300 children joined Fremantle players for an AFL Auskick clinic on Templestowe Reserve in Victoria the day after Fremantle's clash with Collingwood at the MCG.

The clinic provided the children with a great opportunity to learn important footy skills from the likes of Antoni Grover, Luke McPharlin, Ryan Crowley and Johnny 'The Doc' Docker.

Fremantle have an aligned partnership with the Templestowe Park Primary School Auskick Centre, Donvale Primary School Auskick Centre, The Doncaster Heights Junior Football Club and the Templestowe Football Club, with all groups forming a pathway alliance with Fremantle.

As one of Fremantle's partner clubs, Templestowe Football Club wear the Fremantle playing strip, with the jumpers being sponsored by Fremantle's Gold Level Sponsor Members Equity Bank.

The club's "Adopt our Jumper" programme encourages junior football clubs and Auskick centres to adopt the Fremantle playing jumper as their club colours. Clubs who undertake the commitment then become an aligned junior football club to Fremantle, as is the case in Templestowe.



Wiluna and Mt Magnet after their Subiaco curtain raiser in round 9

## League Brings the Country to the City

The Fremantle Football Club Youth League has continued to provide young West Australian's with the opportunity to make their mark at the home of WA football with selected teams from the league playing curtain raiser games prior to Fremantle home matches.

So far this year several rural and regional teams have journeyed to Subiaco Oval to take their place on the big stage. Albany and Denmark opened the Round 3 Carlton Mid Derby in front of a packed house, while Mt Magnet and Wiluna took centre stage in the lead up to Fremantle's Friday night Indigenous Round blockbuster against St Kilda on 25 May.

Esperance teams Ports and Gibson will lock horns prior to Fremantle's home clash against Geelong on 28 July.

The SUBWAY sponsored Fremantle Football Club Youth League, which involves 16-17 year olds across Western Australia, has grown to include more than 100 teams throughout the metropolitan area, the Peel region, Albany, Esperance, Geraldton, the Murchison and the South West. The league currently encompasses nine metropolitan and six country competitions.

The curtain raisers provide players in regional and rural areas a rare chance to take part in a match on Subiaco Oval, for some the games provide their first visit to Perth, a double treat that the players are sure to remember.



The Hamburg Dockers celebrate a close fought, though not high scoring finals victory



## Experience Clinics Popular

NEARLY 3,000 students from 60 Perth schools will get a taste of what life in the AFL is like this year when they visit the club to take part in this year's AFL Experience Clinics. One of the Community Development Programme's most popular initiatives, the clinics provide students with a unique and personal experience of life in the AFL. Designed for boys and girls of all ages, participants have the unique opportunity for a first hand look behind the scenes at the

club courtesy of a guided tour by the players, learn about nutrition and fitness and improve their football skills under the watchful eye of Fremantle players in a football clinic. These exciting clinics are offered to students from years 1 to 10 and are conducted during Terms 2 and 3 of the school year.





# LEN HALL GAME 2007

THE TWELFTH annual Len Hall Game this year celebrated the 50th anniversary of the Special Air Services (SAS) Regiment. Formed in July 1957, the SAS goes where conventional forces often cannot, providing crucial reconnaissance, surveillance and counter-terrorist capabilities, at times behind enemy lines.

The celebration commenced with a parade of more than 70 SAS veterans and family members around Subiaco Oval with Fremantle Vice Patron and Chairman of the SAS Resources Trust Professor David Malcolm AC, QC and Federal Minister for Veteran's Affairs the Honourable Bruce Billson MP taking the salute on march past.

The lighting of the Flame of Remembrance was again the highlight. In remembrance of the 44 SAS members who have lost

their lives while on duty, 44 flags formed a path of honour for the flame on its way to the cauldron.

Kylie Russell, widow of the late Sgt. Andrew Russell, and her daughter Leisa brought the flame onto the field represent the wives and children of fallen soldiers of the SAS regiment before passing the flame to Brian Kent, a former member of the SAS Operational Counter Terrorist Squadron. The flame was then passed to Bart Maverick, a Vietnam War veteran, before being passed to original SAS Regiment member, Eddie Renton, to light the cauldron.

The Ode was read by Gerrand Bampton, the Last Post and Reveille performed by Chief Petty Officer Musician Ted Tate, the National Anthem sung by Brendan Hanson and the coin toss undertaken by National President

of the SAS Association Lieutenant Colonel David Lewis.

The SAS Regiment has a proud and successful history, rich with experience in dangerous operations which have been undertaken in the interests of all Australians.

Much of the Regiment's success can be attributed to the demanding training regime it undertakes and the high standards it requires of its members.

The Regiment has, over the years, performed with distinction in a wide range of operational areas. In more recent times, the Regiment has been heavily involved in Iraq and Afghanistan, The Len Hall Game is named in honour of WA's last Gallipoli veteran Len Hall, 1897-1999, a member of the 10th Light Horse Regiment and one of the last men to leave Gallipoli. ☐

