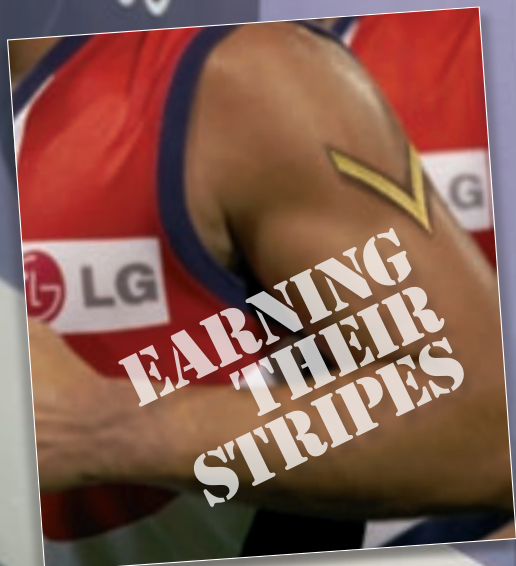


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Pavlich wins Player of the Year

AFTER ANOTHER outstanding season and on the back of his fourth All Australian selection, Matthew Pavlich has been awarded the Coca-Cola Zero Player of the Year, voted by Fremantle's members and supporters via the club's web site.

Pavlich received top votes in nine games during the home and away season, including five best-on-ground honours as voted by the fans.

The Coca-Cola Zero Player of the week competition has been running on fremantlefc.com.au all season with fans entering their votes after each round.

Other players to receive the 'Coca-Cola Zero Player of the Week' award multiple times were Jeff Farmer, Shaun McManus and Josh Carr (three times each) and Ryan Crowley and Michael Johnson receiving top votes on two occasions.

Matthew was presented with his award by Tanya McCracken, Sports Sponsorship and Venue Manager for Coca-Cola Amatil (WA) prior to the first semi final. Congratulations Matthew and thank you to Gold Level Sponsor Coca-Cola for their support of this award in 2006.

Matthew finished first with 23 votes ahead of captain Peter Bell on 19 followed by Michael Johnson (13), Josh Carr (12), Shaun McManus (12), Jeff Farmer (13) and Ryan Crowley (9).



It was a hectic week for defender Michael Johnson in the lead-up to the round 21 Carlton Mid Derby as he and partner Dayna celebrated the arrival of their first child. The proud parents welcomed a daughter into the world, albeit a month earlier than expected.

As the home and away season drew to a close, Robert Haddrell and partner Micaela Grandison announced their engagement. Romantic Robert proposed at Kings Park on 1 September and described the proposal to team mates saying that he got down on one knee to propose "while I still could".

Des Headland and partner Chantelle are expecting their third child in the new year.

General Manager Football Operations Robert Shaw found out first hand how all-consuming the Carlton Mid Derbies can be when round 21 came around this year. After seven wins in a row, the test would come against West Coast in the "away" derby. There was much excitement leading up to the game, and on game day everyone was truly focused on game preparations and performing their roles on the day. The intensity of the coaches' box is well-documented and leaving the seat of battle at half time to make the walk to the change rooms with the team ahead by 21 points, it is often wondered what coaches are thinking about and what will they say when they get to the rooms. Temporary bachelor Shaw started to have doubts – did I turn the iron off before I left home? Perhaps more troubling is that he had absolutely no idea.

And while we are talking about the round 21 derby, it is important to mention Steven Dodd, who's

job it was to match up on Andrew Embley. During the first quarter, Dodd was flattened in a marking contest and was left dazed on the ground. The trainers and physio staff knew that Dodd could not continue without a rest on the bench to rid himself of the birds circling his head. The tough young man returned to the ground and by half time Embley had one goal to his name. As the players made their way into the change rooms, Dodd went straight up to Assistant Coach Mark Harvey to ask how he was going. The experienced coach saw an opportunity to give the young man an added boost and said, "Embley's kicked four". A concerned Dodd replied, "I@#*&! I had better tighten up then". Maybe there were still a few birds flying around.

Many happy returns to the club's property man Pat Watson, who celebrated his 70th Birthday on 26 August. It was another remarkable milestone for Pat, who also celebrated 50 years in football. Pat spent 38 years at East Perth Football Club and has been at Fremantle since the club was founded. In all that time with Fremantle only one game has been missed when Pat was brought down by an ear infection that prevented him from flying to Brisbane in round nine this year. Pat has been to every game and training session since day one, including South Africa, London and all points in between.

Each year the club's first and second year players form the Development Group and undertake a variety of programs throughout the season to assist them as individuals both on and off the footy field. This year's group included Benet Copping, Marcus Drum, Garrick Ibbotson, Jack Juniper, Joe Krieger,

Toby Stribling and Robert Warnock. They have all taken part in a range of programs including defensive driving, health and nutrition seminars, budgeting and financial seminars, social behaviour training, etiquette training as well as weekly hospital visits through Starlight Children's Foundation and hosting the Fremantle Hospital Bravery Awards. The group also have the opportunity for special visits, and recently went to the WA Police Academy to spend a couple of hours deep below one of Fremantle's best known landmarks. Perched high above the outer wing at Fremantle Oval sits the city's historic gaol and the group took the opportunity to experience it above and below ground. Led by Lee Walker, Fremantle's Welfare Manager, they took the tunnel tour and somewhat predictably the boys engaged in some shenanigans in the darkened passages. Walker and young ruckman Warnock teamed up in one of the canoes and subtly hooked themselves onto the canoe of Drum and team manager Brent Dawkins, and let them do all the hard work paddling through the tunnels. It was a leisurely trip for Walker and Warnock. It wasn't until they'd docked after the long paddle that Drum and Dawkins realised why their canoe was so slow! They've promised to get one back on the practical jokers and we'll be sure to keep you up to date in future editions of *Docker*.



Mondays are one of the busiest days at the football club with a weights session, yoga, zone meetings with assistant coaches, game review, and training all being conducted from morning until evening. But there's one thing that players and coaches don't have to worry about on Mondays and that's lunch. Each week a loyal and passionate group of Fremantle supporters, known to everyone at the club as the Café Ladies, are on hand to provide a hot meal or toastie for the players.

Here are some of the interesting lunch facts they've shared with *Docker*...

- More than 100 rounds of sandwiches
- 60 plates of the 'hot' specials are served – the special can be one of a variety of pasta dishes, stir fry or roast meat and vegies etc
- Rookie Joe Krieger is always the first in line for lunch, he usually starts hanging around from 10.00am
- Ruckman Aaron Sandilands has a full plate of the weekly special and two rounds of toasted sandwiches
- Youngster Robert Warnock has a bottomless stomach and can easily put away six rounds of sandwiches
- Rookie Toby Stribling is always the last to come in for lunch

and the ladies always keep something aside for him!

- Steven Dodd likes to let his first course go down for half an hour before coming back for seconds



Table tennis is known to be beneficial for hand-eye coordination as well as providing plenty of entertainment and healthy competition. The latter has certainly proved true in the players lounge at Fremantle HQ with all the players jumping at the chance to prove their dominance on the slick surface. Such is the quest for ping pong supremacy that Paul Hasleby and Byron Schammer have snuck in a few lessons, while the natural instincts of Peter Bell, Antoni Grover, Steven Dodd, Jarrad Schofield, Brett Peake and Graham Polak (to name a few) have made for some classic clashes. But late this season their skills were really put to the test when some of Australia's best table tennis players made a special visit to the club. Current Australian number one, Simon Gerada, and the number five ranked player, 17 year old Kyle Davis took the boys through their paces. Much to the delight of the big contingent looking on Hasleby had to swallow some of his own medicine as he struggled to return the spinning serve of the pros. The visit sparked renewed competitiveness with the players and it is common place to hear the distinct sound of the bouncing ball late in the evening as extra practise was squeezed in for the upcoming battles!

The demands of travel each season is not restricted just to the team. Fremantle's Victorian Cheersquad travelled nearly 11,000km in 2006 to ensure that there has been a banner and support for the team at all games on the Eastern Seaboard. The group has travelled twice to Tasmania and Adelaide, and once each to Sydney and Brisbane. Of course they also made sure there was a big purple army present at the club's games in Melbourne.

The round 19 trip to Adelaide also saw a small group of players' partners make the trip Adelaide to give their support at the big Sunday clash against the Crows. While they did not get to spend much time with their man on the trip, they did get the chance to spend some time sightseeing around the City of Churches and to take in some shopping and tasting of Adelaide's famous Haigh's chocolates. The man-for-all-occasions, Lee Walker, drove the ladies to the famous Barossa Valley wine region for a day-trip, which Lee assures *Docker* was no mean feat with the group of 14 confined to the mini-bus for the two hour trip to the Barossa, and a slightly longer return journey caused by frequent rest stops, no names mentioned.



Fremantle Pride

AS ANOTHER season closes, it is that time of year again when I often get asked to reflect back on the season just ended and sum up the year. I find that there is one word that best summarises season 2006 – pride.

That pride is on many fronts. For the concerted effort by everyone at the club in the execution of the plans that we have laid down as a club and the achievements we have been able to make in such a relatively short period of time. We can take great satisfaction from the commitment, diligence and belief in the plan by every Fremantle person.

There is tremendous pride in the efforts of the players and coaches in delivering such a positive finish to the home and away season setting a new club record of nine consecutive wins and third place on the ladder. A position that saw us achieve our first finals victory and a place in this year's Preliminary Finals.

The club had earmarked 2006 as the year for us to push ourselves into the finals environment, and the belief, commitment and execution by the coaching staff and players has positioned Fremantle for an exciting period of finals development in the next three to five years.

Off the playing field our performance continues to show the strength of Fremantle. With a fourth straight year of record membership and strong corporate support, your club now sits among the upper echelon of clubs within the competition. While we have grown to be a strong and powerful club over the last five years, there is still much untapped potential for further growth. Fremantle is positioned in the top four within the AFL both on and off the field, a position in which we should all take pride.

It is also true that we have continued growth and potential on the field. Our players have shown what they are capable of and have demonstrated a growing maturity as a team. That maturity has come from a stable playing

group that has increased experience playing in the competition and in big games. The players have tasted finals success and the experience gained by playing 12 quarters of finals football in 2006 can only hold our group in good stead in the coming years.

Under the leadership of our Chief Executive Officer Cameron Schwab, the strength and unity of the Board of Directors and the performance of Senior Coach Chris Connolly, under at times extremely volatile circumstances, together with the work of our senior management team and every member of your loyal staff, Fremantle could not be strategically positioned any better than it is at this moment.

We can be justifiably proud of what we have achieved in 2006.

There is every reason to be confident that Fremantle has reached its window of opportunity, and that we can go forward knowing

that we are infinitely closer to the necessary level we need to be at to ensure finals success, and ultimately an AFL Premiership.

The growth of the team, the leadership shown by our senior players and the rise of our new stars provide Fremantle with that opportunity.

The Purple Haze has created its own piece of football history and that is clearly underpinned by the support by our loyal and passionate supporters who create a unique and special atmosphere at Subiaco Oval.

Thank you for your support – you have been loud and proud throughout 2006.

Bring on 2007!

Rick Hart, President



History Making Member Elections in 2006

IN A GROUND-BREAKING advancement in voting, Fremantle Football Club members are set to make Western Australian electoral history, when for the first time in any election in WA, members will be able to vote through the Internet for their new member-elected Board member. Postal voting will again be available for those who prefer this method.

The exciting new initiative is being used by the Western Australian Electoral Commission in November's member-elected Director election as an alternative to postal voting. Many months of hard work have gone in to making Internet voting a possibility, giving members the convenience of casting their vote from their own computer.

With current member-elected Board member Les Everett's two year term expiring on 30 November this year, members will be asked to vote for a member-elected Board member for a two year term from 1 December 2006 to 30 November 2008.

Voting is only open to voting club members who are fully paid up as at 20 October 2006. It is important that members retain their 2006 Membership Card as the membership number is essential in order to complete the on-line voting procedures.

Voting club members will receive all information on the election directly from the Electoral Commission. The club will have no other role in the election other than to supply the Commission with the current names and postal addresses of voting club members as at 20 October 2006. It is therefore 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 20 October 2006.

The 2006 Members Meeting will be held on 30 November 2006 and members will be posted a Notice of Meeting. This is the annual meeting for members at which the results of the 2006 elections will be announced for the member elected representative to the Board of Directors of the Fremantle Football Club. Members are encouraged to visit the club's web site where election and Members Meeting details will be regularly updated.

Acting Western Australian Electoral Commissioner Warwick Gately said he was delighted with the development of Internet voting and the cooperation between the club and the Commission which has made this revolutionary concept a reality.

"Internet voting is a safe, secure and convenient way for Fremantle members to have their say

in electing a new appointment to the Board of Directors," Mr Gately said.

"Hard work and collaboration between the Commission and club management has given members the chance to contribute to the very first election of this kind in the State.

"With confidentiality a guarantee, we expect that many members will take advantage of the convenience and ease of voting over the Internet."

The Electoral Commission will use the experience and outcomes of the November election process to look at further developing the Internet voting concept in other elections.

As in any election, members may only vote once, whether they choose to vote through the Internet or by post. All members will be provided with detailed voting instructions from the Electoral Commission for both methods of voting to ensure all votes received are valid.

Any queries on the election process should be directed to the Commission's free phone help line on 13 63 06 and selecting the Fremantle Football Club Election Helpdesk.

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



Troy Cook with Professor Fiona Wood and Police Commissioner Karl O'Callaghan

Cook joins the 'be active' push

TROY COOK has joined together with eighteen other high profile Western Australians to become a 'be active' WA Ambassador, championing the urgency and importance of getting Western Australians to be more active, more often.

Other selected 'be active' WA Ambassadors include former Australian of the Year Dr Fiona Wood, Australian cricketer Justin Langer and Police Commissioner Karl O'Callaghan.

"I enjoy being a role model and if I can motivate people to live a healthier lifestyle, that's an important message to be getting across to the wider community," said Cook.

"The aim of the Taskforce is to try and get the community as a whole to change their habits and actually make an effort to exercise, even find 30 minutes a day for a walk with family or friends."

Evidence is now overwhelming that declining levels of physical activity is a problem for the whole community and requires everyone's effort to lead more active and healthier lives.

Research by the task force has revealed that nearly half of Western Australian adults are not physically active for good health, and it also shows that 60 per cent of men, 40 per cent of women and a quarter of Western Australian children are overweight or obese.

The 'be active' WA Ambassadors provide a tremendously strong support base to help champion this increasingly urgent issue to the community.

"It's important that the changes start today and I am looking forward to playing my part as one of the Ambassadors," said Cook. ☺



Fremantle anchors Balmain

FREMANTLE officially launched an Aligned Club partnership with the Balmain AFL Football Club in Sydney in July to assist with the development of senior and junior AFL teams in the Sydney district.

Matthew Pavlich and Paul Hasleby were on hand to officially welcome Balmain as an affiliate club to Fremantle, that will see the Balmain Tigers become the Balmain Dockers next year.

As part of Fremantle's Aligned Club programme, the Balmain AFL Football Club will wear the Fremantle playing uniform from season 2007 onwards, proudly supplied to the club by Fremantle.

Balmain, one of nine teams in the Sydney league, are coached by former Melbourne player Andrew Leoncelli.

"I've been wearing a Tigers jumper, which has been hard enough to deal with, so I'm looking forward to the change to Fremantle gear next season," Leoncelli said.

In addition to the launch of Fremantle's partnership with Balmain, a significant partnership was also launched with the North Ryde Australian Football Club through Fremantle's "Adopt Our Jumper" programme, an initiative that sees junior football clubs throughout Australia adopt the Fremantle playing uniforms as their own. ☺

Alzheimer's Golf day a success

MICHAEL WARREN and Jack Juniper joined golfers from various Perth companies at a fundraising golf day organised by Alzheimer's Australia WA.

The players teed off with a majority of the corporate teams throughout the day to show their prowess from tee to green. By all reports Jack can hit a pretty good ball, walking away with the prize for the longest drive on the day. And apparently Michael can also hit a good ball, on occasions.

The event was held at Lake Karrinyup Country Club and was capped off with a cocktail function and charity auction that included prized Fremantle memorabilia, a signed Wallabies Jumper, cases of premium wines and other gifts donated by sponsors. The day was a huge success with more than \$15,000 raised for dementia research projects and essential support services.

Chief Executive Officer Frank Schaper said the event showed the corporate sector was beginning to take note of the dementia epidemic in our community.

"We were overwhelmed by the support shown to people with dementia and their loved ones and we thank the Fremantle Football Club for their support in the event," Mr Schaper said.

"Dementia is currently more common than skin cancer and will become the largest cause of disability burden in Australia by 2016," he said.

"As our population ages, more people are diagnosed with dementia today than ever before.

"It is projected that more than 19,000 people in Western Australia will have been diagnosed with dementia by the end of this year." ☺



Great Result for Banquet Auction

MORE THAN 800 people attended the annual Carlton Mid Banquet Auction at the Burswood Grand Ballroom on 19 July, with plenty of red hot bidding ensuring a great result for the club's Community Development Programme (CDP).

There were many sought after items put under the hammer by Auctioneer Darren Macaullay, with lots of sporting memorabilia and special items up for auction including a boat, a magnificent LG kitchen package, a sensational Mazda car, holidays, a spa from Spa Showcase and a signed Rolling Stones Fender electric guitar among the main items. The silent auction contained over 250 items and included LG products, bikes, framed memorabilia, weekends away and much more!

The entertainment for the evening was Joe Camilleri, the Black Sorrows front man who sang an incredible rendition of Harley and Rose, and Channel 9's Michael Thompson and Natalia Cooper hosted the evening.

The 2006 Banquet Auction was a huge success and the club would like to thank everyone who attended and contributed to the event for helping achieve such a great result for the club's CDP.



Roger Hayden and son Isaiah



Peter Bell and daughter Poppy



Players Push Prevention Campaign

FIRST TIME dads, Peter Bell and Roger Hayden, got right behind Ngala to promote the Shaken Baby Syndrome Prevention Campaign as part of Child Protection Week, which ran from 3-9 September 2006.

Peter, with eleven-month old daughter Poppy, and Roger, with one-and-a-half year old son Isaiah, were pleased to be able to lend a hand in educating the community and raising awareness of Shaken Baby Syndrome.

Shaken Baby Syndrome is a term used to describe the damage caused when a baby is shaken, which can occur when a parent or carer feels frustrated and distressed from trying to settle a crying baby.

Of course all babies cry and this is normal, but constant crying can be very frustrating and confusing. This can lead to the baby being shaken to try and stop the crying, which can cause permanent brain damage and even death.

A baby's brain is more fragile than an egg so shaking a baby, even for a few seconds, can be life threatening. Therefore, through education, Ngala offers parents advice on how to calm babies down and look for causes that maybe unsettling the baby.

"This syndrome is 100 per cent preventable and I am pleased to be behind this campaign to help get the message out there that you should never shake your baby," said Hayden.

"If we can educate the community and promote the services of Ngala, hopefully we can prevent deaths and injuries to infants and younger children from the effects of shaking. It is a valuable message," he said. ☺

Wheelie Challenge creates awareness

JEFF FARMER and Antoni Grover took part in a 'Wheelie Challenge' at Fremantle Oval in August to help raise awareness of Cerebral Palsy (CP).

The theme of the fun challenge was 'wheel a mile in my shoes' and saw both players switching their footy boots for a power wheelchair and developing a different set of tactics for their fierce competitors!

The challenge began with Jeff and Antoni racing one another around a number of strategically placed obstacles at Fremantle Oval leading up to the big race against CP sufferers, with young Sebastian

taking home the trophy in a close final against 'The Wiz'.

Cerebral Palsy Association of WA (CPAWA) Chief Executive John Knowles said that there was nothing like a challenge to know what its like to have physical limitations.

"People living with CP face serious obstacles and setbacks in their everyday lives," Mr Knowles said.

"It is through activities such as this challenge that CPAWA endeavours to generate awareness and acceptance of CP in the broader community," he said.

Jeff and Antoni undertook the challenge as Ambassadors for

CPAWA as part of Fremantle Football Club's charity partnership with CPAWA in 2006.

This year CPAWA, celebrates 55 years of creating opportunities to people living with CP. This is a tremendous achievement for the organisation and the milestone was officially celebrated during CP Awareness Week which was held nationally from 6 to 13 August. ☺



Census Campaigner

THE NATIONAL Census in August saw Michael Johnson join the campaign to promote the importance of the count, which takes a "snapshot" of Australia every five years and collects vital information on the social and economic characteristics of Australian society.

The launch, held at Clontarf College where Michael was a student, saw Michael address regional media to encourage those living in remote Aboriginal Communities to take part in the Census in 2006.

"The Census is really important for the future of Australia," said Michael. "The Census is the way the Government gets information

about Australians, so it can plan for future developments."

"It was great for me to become a campaigner as it was important to get the message out there to ensure the government can be informed of the current circumstances in the remote areas and communities," he said. ☺



Ports 'Purple Haze' Breakfast

PROUD SUPPORTERS of the Starlight Purple Haze Game, Fremantle Ports kicked off the annual event with a 'Purple Haze' breakfast on Friday 4 August in the Carpenter's Shed down at the port ahead of the game against Hawthorn.

The breakfast was attended by staff from Fremantle Ports and shipping industry associates, who got into the spirit and dressed 'purple' for the occasion.

Purple Haze Ambassadors, Aaron Sandilands, Des Headland, Ryan Murphy and Marcus Drum made a surprise visit to the breakfast and took on the staff in a handball competition to raise money for Starlight.



The tasty BBQ breakfast was impressive, and everyone headed back to work on full bellies and charged up for what was to be the best Purple Haze game on record.

The morning kicked off the fundraising effort for Starlight and hundreds of dollars were generously donated by the Ports staff through donations and a raffle. The final result for the 2006 Starlight Purple Haze Game was \$38,471.25! ☺

EARNING THEIR STRIPES

Since the club last played in the finals in 2003, seven of Fremantle's young players have begun to earn their stripes in the AFL. Though their careers may have only just started, making their AFL debuts in 2004 and 2005 and with less than 50 games under their belts, the hard work and persistence required to stake a claim in the competition is starting to pay dividends.

For Steven Dodd, Brett Peake, David Mundy, Ryan Crowley, Ryan Murphy, Michael Johnson and Daniel Gilmore there is no time to ease up, not even for a minute. With the average career of an AFL player only 3.2 years, the hard work continues every day. There will be others coming along behind them that will challenge for their spots on the team. In the ultra competitive and demanding environment that is AFL, the hard work and commitment to training, learning and developing as players and individuals will not stop.

Each has played a part in a season that has set many records and resulted in Fremantle finishing third and playing in a finals campaign for only the second time in its history. But they can take the time to look back and reflect on what has been accomplished so far.

STEVEN DODD
Drafted: 2004 rookie elevation
Debut: Round 20, 2004 v Geelong
 at Skilled Stadium
Total AFL Games: 43

Moving to a new high school is a daunting experience for anyone but when you're a budding footballer faced with the prospect of heading to a school that doesn't even have a footy oval it can be overwhelming.

Even though that was the situation thrust in front of a young Steven Dodd, the tenacious teenager didn't let it affect his dream of playing at the highest level. The determination that's evident when he's in action each week for Fremantle helped him overcome this early hurdle.

"It probably wasn't the ideal move for someone wanting to be an AFL footballer but I was still able to play with my local club on the weekends," Dodd said.

"I was lucky that my junior club was in the East Fremantle recruiting zone and they invited me down to train with them at Colts level when I was 16."

He'd make the 45 minute bus trip to East Fremantle Oval three times a week after school and his efforts didn't go unnoticed with Fremantle's recruiting staff adding him to the rookie list in 2003.

"The rookie list was an excellent opportunity to be a part of an AFL club and train with some of the players that you look up to. It really helped my development and from then on in it was up to me to prove I could perform at the top level," he said.

"To be part of an AFL club was something I really wanted since I was in year seven. I was an Eagles supporter in those days but when Fremantle joined the AFL I switched to support them and to have an opportunity to play for the team you support is fantastic."

His introduction to the game came at an early age with his passionate football parents supporting him every step of the way.

"Dad has only missed one game since I started playing football, even as a junior. It's obviously now pretty difficult to be at all our away games in the eastern states so he's always camped in front of the TV to watch. I think the game he missed was an under 13's game – he is pretty passionate!" Dodd said with a laugh.

The family connection to Fremantle goes back to 1998 when Steven's cousin Brad made his AFL debut at the club. Brad played 50 games in six years but was delisted the same year that his younger relative arrived at Fremantle.

"Unfortunately I didn't get a chance to play an AFL game with him but we did play in the same team at East Fremantle and we went head to head when he was at Claremont."

"I always followed his footy pretty closely and watched how he went about it and tried to follow in his footsteps. That gave me added incentive knowing that someone in my family had achieved at the highest level."

Part way through his second year on the club's rookie list Dodd was elevated to the senior squad



and given the opportunity he had dreamed about for so long. Torrential rain and a freak cold snap greeted the team at Skilled Stadium and set the scene for an unforgettable debut.

"I flew over as an emergency with the team to play the Cats but never really thought I was going to play after only being elevated from the rookie list a few weeks earlier.

"One of the guys had to pull out just before the team ran out for the game so I quickly suited up and didn't even have a chance to ring anyone back home to let them know I was playing. The first that Mum and Dad knew about me playing was when they saw me run through the banner.

"It was disappointing that we lost the game but I still remember the coach saying to me as we boarded the bus that I was an AFL player now and no one can ever take that from me.

"From there I was determined to continue to push for selection and put everything I had into pre-season and managed to play 16 games in 2005 which exceeded my own expectations. For me it had a snowball effect, the more I played the more I felt I could contribute to the team. It has been an amazing ride and I don't want it to end."

That ride was interrupted last season when a lapse in judgement cost Dodd his place after disobeying team rules. It was a harsh lesson but much was learned.

"I've had my ups and downs and made the poor decisions off the field but I think I have used that as a learning experience. Part of being a young person growing up is the challenge of achieving a balance in your life and being able to get the best out of yourself no matter what you do."

"You have to take the inevitable public focus you get as an AFL player in your stride. We choose to be a part of this industry and have to accept some degree of pressure from the media and public.

"As long as you get a good balance in your life then it doesn't have an impact on your ability to perform at your best for the club. That's the most important thing."

BRETT PEAKE

Drafted: 2003 AFL National Draft – selection 43 (father and son rule)

Debut: Round 13, 2005 v Kangaroos at Subiaco Oval

Total AFL Games: 29

From fixing leaky taps to booting miraculous goals in front of tens of thousands of fans, you'd be hard pressed to find a player on Fremantle's list that has experienced such a life changing few years than dynamic midfielder Brett Peake.

"Three years ago I was wandering around with a spanner in my back pocket, a tape measure and PVC pipe in either hand. I wouldn't have even dreamt about playing in an AFL finals campaign. It's surreal but a fantastic experience," Peake said.

You might think that with a champion footballer as a father (Brian Peake played 402 games of VFL and WAFL football) it would be a natural progression for the youngster to follow in his footsteps but that's not how he saw it. A love of the game was put aside as he pursued his passion of sun and surf. A plumbing apprenticeship filled his days while surfing absorbed his spare time. Football didn't have a chance to take hold.

"When I was little I wanted to follow in his footsteps and as I started getting older and found other avenues in life it became something I thought of less and less. I was at the beach every chance I got."

It was a casual game or two for the Willetton amateurs that whet his appetite for footy and the remarkable rise to being an AFL player began.

"I really came into the AFL in such a funny way that it still confuses me.

"One year I was playing F Grade Amateurs, the next year league footy at East Fremantle and then onto an AFL list, I don't think it has really sunk in yet."

Peake admits that being drafted as Fremantle's



first father-son selection he did feel added pressure from those who expected results on the field sooner rather than later.

"I guess there was an external expectation for me to consolidate a place in the team and when that didn't happen straight away you start to get a bit distracted. But that's just part of being an AFL footballer. It helped me to understand that you just need to work as hard as you possibly can and the rest will take care of itself."

He sought advice from his Dad and, importantly, the leaders at Fremantle. With their help he formulated an approach to the game that has ultimately brought success and hasn't compromised his happy-go-lucky nature.

"I haven't changed anything about myself but understand that there is a time when you need to be serious and approach things with a mature and clear mindset.

"At this level of footy there is so much at stake but I try not to let that get into my head because for me it's probably better to just play my natural game and not think about the consequences of messing up a kick. At the same time I'm constantly striving to be the best player I can for Fremantle and contribute to the team in a positive way.

"There are definitely times around the club when you can have a laugh and the group we have here is fantastic and know when the time is right to have some fun. Belly is a perfect example of that, he can laugh and play tricks, yet he is the first one to switch on and know when the tasks ahead need to be addressed. He is the perfect leader, you couldn't ask for anything more. I have learnt a lot from him as do the other guys here who hold him in really high regard."

While the physical demands of top level footy are on show each week there is a component that

is less obvious. Mentally preparing for life in the AFL is a challenge that the best have mastered and something Peake quickly came to understand is a necessity to ensure optimum performance.

"Being able to bounce back if you've had a disappointing game is important, particularly when you're just starting out. I think most of the young guys put pressure on themselves to perform well because you want to be able to retain your spot in the side.

"There are 44 players on the list and only 22 get the opportunity to play in the seniors each week, which leaves a lot of guys watching from the sidelines. You know that there are players who are desperate to take your spot. That's not being callous, they just want what everyone on the list does and that's to play at the highest level.

"We're all aiming for the same thing here and that's to have success for the Fremantle Football Club. We know that each of us can play a role in achieving that whether we're on the field or not."

Peake describes himself as an Energiser Bunny, which is an apt description considering his ranking at the top of the club's beep test and endurance ratings.

He takes nothing for granted and understands there's still much he has to learn but he is genuinely excited about what the future holds and isn't about to take a backward step as he continues to live the dream.

"You're always learning, from your first game to your last and that's the way I've approached playing at this level. I enjoy the new experiences each time I step onto the field. My motto has always been 'live each day like it's your last' because you never know when your situation might change and I love to give things a shot and do my best."

DAVID MUNDY

Drafted: 2003 AFL National Draft – selection 19
Debut: Round 6, 2005 v Melbourne at M.C.G.
Total AFL Games: 42

Finding time and space to execute skills under pressure are vital components in any modern footballer's arsenal. For Fremantle defender David Mundy they're natural gifts which he's putting to good use in the heat of battle, but just don't ask him how he does it.

"To be honest I don't notice it on the field," he said.

"I only really see it and give it any thought when we review the game tapes during the week. I've had people ask me how I go about it since under 15's and I don't really know how to answer them – I guess I'm just lucky."

He found out early that luck can turn when least expected, an injury at the start of 2005 delayed a possible debut in round one and served as a reminder that nothing can be taken for granted.

"I was playing in the pre-season and from all reports the coaches were pretty happy with how I was going but then I hurt my knee and that kept me out for about a month and it made me think how quickly your luck can change in this game.

"It was my first injury niggle since arriving in WA and was frustrating because I thought I was pretty close to getting my first game. At the start of the season everyone wants to put their best foot forward.

"I was disappointed initially but that's just another aspect of the mental toughness that is needed in this game. There have been so many players that haven't ever really had the opportunity to play because of injuries and I try to use that to put my own situation into perspective."

His chance came six weeks later at the 'home of football' when Fremantle defeated Melbourne in a classic shoot out at the MCG in round six, 2005. He went on to play the remainder of the season,

finish third in the AFL Rising Star Award and win Fremantle's Beacon Award as best young talent at the club.

He has continued that winning start and grown in stature this season, playing every game and cementing his place in the club's exciting young backline.

"You look at someone like Matthew Pavlich who holds the record at Fremantle for consecutive games and see the effort he makes to be able to get up for every round and perform like he does. The example he sets is one I'd like to follow."

The privilege of playing finals football so early in his career isn't lost on Mundy.

"We play this game to win grand finals. Obviously being new to the competition and not being in a finals series before it's something that was really exciting and after getting a taste of finals football I can't wait to play in as many as I can and one day reach the ultimate goal of a premiership.

"To be part of finals at Fremantle alongside guys like Shaun McManus and Shane Parker who have been here from day one and have done so much hard work to get the club to this point is very special."

While most young men his age can let their hair down on a regular basis it's a luxury that isn't afforded to AFL players and the 21 year old takes a philosophical approach to the sacrifices needed to achieve at the highest level.

"There are definitely sacrifices you have to make but at the same time you gain so much from being in this environment. The club gives you a lot of support not just only to improve your football ability but also with life in general.

"It's what we want to do and we love doing it. In the end the sacrifices aren't that great compared with the rewards of doing something you have dreamed about doing for so long."

Away from the field Mundy is learning to play the guitar and is regularly testing the patience of team mates Luke McPharlin and Paul Duffield who



have taken it upon themselves to show him the basics. At this stage he can manage to strum out a couple of tunes but admits it's a work in progress!

He has also found another interest that has blossomed from one of the more mundane duties as a footballer based in the west. Travelling every second week has inspired him to find a hobby to fill the hours spent crossing the nation.

"I didn't read many books at school but since I've been flying backwards and forwards across the country it has motivated me to give it a shot and I really enjoy it.

"I started one on a flight during the season and got so engrossed in it that I managed to read almost the entire 600 pages on the one weekend," he laughed.

RYAN CROWLEY

Drafted: 2002 AFL National Draft – selection 55
& 2005 rookie elevation
Debut: Round 10, 2005 v Geelong
at Skilled Stadium
Total AFL Games: 31

Ryan Crowley's wake up call felt like a sledgehammer. Delisted after two years at Fremantle the youngster admits his football dream quickly turned into a nightmare on that fateful day.

"I thought I'd blown my chance," he said.

"I remember turning the key to start the car and the next thing I knew I was home. There were so many things just running through my head. I had always thought that my life was going to turn out a certain way and right at that moment it was looking like it was going to veer off.

"After I was delisted I had doubts if I was good enough and I had to do some soul searching.

"It was a tough time but I had some great support and I made my mind up that I still wanted to achieve my dream of playing at the highest level and I set about doing that. Playing in the AFL is



"I knew coming into the team that there were several guys that played the same sort of position as me and so I'd have to change my game a little bit. I started my first few games forward but the coach said to me that there is a chance for me to establish myself if I could take on the tagging role. I've tried to be more than just a stopper and if the opportunity is there I like to be a bit more offensive and put pressure back on my opponent.

"The jobs I've been given have seen me up against some of the game's great players and I can learn from them and the way they go about trying to win the ball.

"The boys have said to me that those first 30 to 40 games are where you learn the most. I've been given different roles so far and I've been learning different ways to play on blokes. We've got great role models at the club, you can't get a better role model than Peter Bell. I have learnt so much from him and also Josh Carr, who gives me tips and advice out on the field which is great."

Crowley said establishing a routine at home was an important step in his on-field success and the player welfare programs at Fremantle have helped in achieving that balance. He has also just completed a small business course and will now undertake a Sports Science degree at Notre Dame University.

"After I came to terms with what I had to do away from football, and it became second nature, that was when my football started to take off.

"I didn't think I was immature when I first arrived at the club but I guess there were a lot of things in life that I hadn't done."

Not even a couple of injury stints this season has changed his positive outlook on life and football and for the sake of his family and friends they hope it's not too often he's forced to watch the team in action from the sidelines.

"I'm not the best person to watch football with – especially in public. I'm pretty jumpy and find myself commentating and everyone around me just

looks and laughs," he joked.

"I remember in round 19 Paul Hasleby and I went to the Seaview Hotel to watch the boys play Adelaide at AAMI Stadium and it was a fantastic win. There was a big crowd at the pub and everyone sung the song afterwards and I couldn't help but sing a few bars myself!"

RYAN MURPHY

Debut: Round 16, 2004 v Adelaide
at AAMI Stadium

Drafted: 2003 AFL National Draft – selection 12
Total AFL Games: 24

Such is the unforgiving nature of life in the AFL that just when you find your feet the grass can be pulled from underneath you. That's what faced young forward Ryan Murphy late this season when an untimely injury ruled him out of Fremantle's remaining games of the home and away season.

"Perhaps the toughest part of AFL footy is the highs and lows," he said.

"The highs are amazing and the lows are pretty tough. Some injuries really knock you about and the timing of them can be frustrating especially when you're just getting that opportunity as a young player to establish yourself in the team.

"I have always wanted to portray a positive attitude. I pride myself on being happy around the club and if I miss out on selection or suffer an injury then I'll set about doing everything I can to get myself back where I want to be and to lend support to my team mates when they need it.

"What the timing of the injury did highlight is that you can't take the game for granted and you have to be prepared to deal with disappointments. It really makes you appreciate the opportunities that come your way and to be living the dream of playing football at the highest level is amazing."

It's almost three years since Murphy first set foot in Fremantle and he now considers himself a

what I've wanted to do my entire life and I know I would have felt like there was something missing if I didn't give it my best shot."

In a rare second chance at the top level Fremantle threw the talented utility player a football lifeline on the Rookie List.

"I guess when I first came to the club I would only do the bare minimum of what was required at training and in the gym and then I'd leave.

"Part of the realisation I came to was that I was coming from the back of the line so I'd have to be doing the extra stuff to give me an edge. We have some great role models in that area around the club and you can see what they have been able to accomplish so I pushed myself as hard as possible and knew that any let up in my intensity could see me tumble backwards."

Starting 2005 on the rookie list there was still plenty of work that Crowley needed to do to realise his childhood dream. A tough pre-season paying dividends, and after some outstanding performances for Subiaco he was given his chance on the senior list as a long term injury upgrade. The long awaited debut came at Skilled Stadium against the Cats, and for Crowley and Fremantle it was definitely worth the wait. The club won for the first time in Geelong and the new boy booted three goals to equal the club record for goals scored on debut.

"The game was such a blur. It went so quickly and all of a sudden it was over and the boys were congratulating me. I remember thinking how good is this!

"It was the first time in my mind that I thought I belonged at this level and at Fremantle. The guys had always treated me well and I liked being around the club but, for me, until I played I didn't feel as though I was in the inner sanctum and it was like a weight had been lifted off my back."

Now he had a taste for AFL action the immediate challenge was to maintain his spot and develop versatility in his game.





local, despite admitting he knew very little about his new home when plucked from country Victoria in the 2003 AFL National Draft.

"To tell you the truth I didn't have much of a clue about WA and I always thought Freo was in the top half of the state," he laughed.

"Coming from the country where you know all the back streets, to a city that you knew nothing about certainly made getting around interesting to say the least. But it didn't worry me at all because I was just excited about going to training and being a part of the club. I would wake up two or three hours before I'd have to leave and arrive 45 minutes before everyone else and just be sitting in the car waiting to get stuck into it," he said with a smile.

The transition was also made easier with several mates arriving in Fremantle courtesy of the same draft. Ryley Dunn, David Mundy and Adam Campbell all played country footy for Victoria and

had spent time together over a couple of years.

"I was really happy when I heard their names being called and it was like a bunch of mates were all going to the same place."

"We have all formed a strong bond and can talk about anything. It's like we're brothers."

A tall skinny kid with few expectations about pulling on a Fremantle jumper in his first year, Murphy's form in front of goal for WAFL club South Fremantle couldn't be ignored. His debut was an unforgettable moment, and had added significance as the club recorded its first victory against Adelaide at AAMI Stadium and Matthew Pavlich celebrated his 100th game.

"My locker is right next to Pav's and he is like my mentor at the moment. I hope he doesn't read this because he'll get a big head," he laughed.

"I watch how he goes about his preparation and I try to follow in his footsteps. If I can achieve half

as much as he has then I'll be going OK because he is such a fantastic player and a great person to be around."

Off the field Murphy gladly takes times to lend his support to the club's community projects and this season was an Ambassador for the Starlight Purple Haze game.

"The whole club prides themselves on putting back into the community and it's terrific to be a part of that. Bringing a smile to someone's face is such a rewarding experience and I think I get as much out of it as the kids do.

"I learnt a lot about the Starlight Foundation and the fantastic work that they are doing. Knowing that I have had a hand in helping raise awareness and much needed funds for this great organisation is reward enough."

It's with that attitude that Murphy looks to the future. With 24 games already under his belt he has set a platform to springboard into another solid pre-season and reclaim a place in Fremantle's attack.

"Everything I have experienced at Fremantle has come together to make the past three years of my life the best so far and I'm sure there will be many more great times ahead. The future is really bright for us."

MICHAEL JOHNSON

Debut: Round 4, 2005 v Richmond at MCG

Drafted: 2004 Pre-season Draft – selection 8

Total AFL Games: 36

They say persistence pays off and Fremantle defender Michael Johnson is a classic example. Being overlooked in two National Drafts is enough for many young footballers to question their future but for some it's a challenge they meet head on.

"In 2002 I was asked to go to the draft camp in WA and went OK there. When draft day came around I was overlooked and that was pretty disappointing. As a young footballer you want to play at the highest level but I didn't get that chance, so I went back to the WAFL and really took it upon myself to have a good season in the seniors.

"I cemented a spot at centre-half back in Perth's league squad and played every game and at the end of that year I was invited to the AFL Draft Camp in Canberra, but was overlooked again that year.

"I tried not to let the disappointment of being overlooked in two drafts get me down and focused on what I could do to prove I was good enough."

He received his chance as Fremantle's only selection in the 2004 Pre-season Draft and spent the year developing his game in the WAFL, and his body shape under the watchful eye of the club's conditioning staff.

The chance to showcase his wares on the national stage came with an invitation to play in the 2005 Indigenous All-Stars game against the Western Bulldogs in Darwin. Alongside Fremantle team mates Troy Cook, Jeff Farmer, Dion Woods and Des Headland he immersed himself in the experience.

"I'm really proud of my Indigenous heritage and playing football has given a lot of joy to my family and relatives. It's fantastic that clubs are recruiting so many Indigenous players and we have seen again this season the excitement that aboriginal players bring into the league.

"When we go on camps and head out to the remote communities and see all of those families and kids with such big smiles you know they really appreciate the time you take to spend with them. Giving something back to Indigenous people is something that is important to me as an AFL footballer."

A solid performance in that game thrust his name in front of Fremantle's match committee and it was only four games into the season when he was called upon for his first match. Much like his entry into the AFL system it was hardly a conventional debut. Travelling as an emergency he was given the news of his inclusion in the team after Matthew Carr was ruled out with illness on the morning of the game.



Such is the calibre of Johnson that he has used the challenges thrown at him to take his football to the next level and this season has played every game, taken part in a finals campaign and received his first WA State of Origin honour.

"Everything has been terrific. I'm doing something I love and playing the greatest sport in the world."

"I supported Fremantle when I was growing up and being able to play for the club you support is great. I went to all the games with my Dad and now to be running onto the field knowing that he is watching from the stands is a dream come true."

Johnson will have another fan watching from the outer after he and partner Dayna welcomed the arrival of their first child, daughter Amelia, prior to the round 21 Carlton Mid Derby.

"She surprised us all by arriving earlier than expected but it has been a fantastic experience. We have a lot of family support and the footy club has been really helpful as well."

He says he's learning on the job when it comes to changing nappies and other baby related duties, but he's already shown a real knack for helping kids, albeit a little older than Amelia, as part of an AFL traineeship.

"I worked at my high school in Belmont and helped out in the phys ed department. I took the year eight and nine boys in their sports classes and I really enjoyed it."

"Whenever I'm down at the local shopping centre I see the kids there and have a chat to them. They all know I play for Fremantle and love talking about the footy which I'm more than happy to do and it's like we're back on the school oval kicking the footy."

While teaching is an option for life after footy, he still has a long career on the field ahead of him and there's little doubt he's up for the challenges ahead.

DANIEL GILMORE

Debut: Round 1, 2004 v Carlton at Subiaco Oval
Drafted: 2003 rookie elevation
Total AFL Games: 19

After twelve years in the competition Fremantle is seeing the first batch of players who supported the club as kids finding their way into the senior squad. While it's a difficult prospect at AFL level to play at the club you supported, with the draft seeing players spread across the country, for those that do it's a special motivation to leave your mark in history.

It's something that's close to the heart of hardworking utility Daniel Gilmore. His grandfather is written into the history books at the Western Bulldogs as a member of their first (and only) premiership winning team in 1954. As a passionate Fremantle supporter growing up Gilmore has a chance to emulate that at the port.

"The team my grandfather was part of is held in such high regard by everyone at that club. At Fremantle we have a unique opportunity to leave a legacy as well," he said.

"The first Fremantle team that tastes ultimate success will be remembered forever. There is a really good mix at the club and as long as we gel together and don't get ahead of ourselves we can achieve success together."

Gilmore graduated from Fremantle's rookie list and has endured the ups and downs of AFL life. Good form at South Fremantle kept him in the selection mix last season but he played just two games and was named as an emergency nine times.

"That certainly was tough but it comes with the territory of playing at this level. I took the positives out of it, thrived on the journey back into selection and saw it as a great challenge of my character."

"There are plenty of people that have lent their support throughout my football career from inside and outside the footy club and in some ways I'm

pleased for the experience because I cherish every moment that I spend at the club."

"Last year I didn't really know what to expect or what was around the corner, but all I could do was work my way through it and luckily enough I've taken a step forward this season and hope to continue to take more steps in the future."

His efforts in 2005 were rewarded with a WAFL premiership medallion plus first hand experience of playing in a finals-type environment.

"The best thing about playing in a flag with South Fremantle was learning about what kind of chemistry a team needs to have to achieve success. We had so many guys driving towards that goal you knew nothing was going to stand in our way."

"If you play D grade amateurs, WAFL or AFL, the chemistry in the group needs to be there and I can feel that at Fremantle."

His duties at the club expanded this season as a member of 'Team Freo', a group of nine young players who help to deliver part of Fremantle's Community Development Programme into schools across Western Australia.

"It's really rewarding going into a classroom to see the kids faces. If we've had a win or not on the weekend doesn't matter to them, they're happy that we have taken the time to visit. It gives you the motivation to make that experience the best it can be for them."

The tag of role model is one that sits comfortably with Gilmore who says he looked up to many people as inspiration during his childhood including footballers and family members.

"Whether the kids we talk to have the dream of playing in the AFL or not I just try to show them that by working hard you can achieve anything you set your mind to."

With a football career on the rise and life experiences to back it up there's plenty of wisdom in this young player's words. ☺

Milestones

250

AFL GAMES

AFL Debut: Round 1, 1995
 Games for Kangaroos: 123
 AFL Rising Star Nominee 1996
 Kangaroos Premiership sides 1996, 1999
 Kangaroos Pre-Season Premiership side 1998
 International Rules series 1999
 All Australian 1999, 2003
 Kangaroos Best & Fairest winner 2000
 Kangaroos Best & Fairest runner-up 1999
 Fremantle Doig Medal 2001, 2003, 2004
 Fremantle Doig Medal Runner-up 2002, 2005
 Fremantle Captain 2002-2006
 WA State of Origin Captain 2003, 2004, 2006
 22nd player to play 100 games for two AFL clubs
 Graham Moss Medallist 1998
 Fremantle's Leading Brownlow medal votes: 68



#32 Peter Bell
 Second Semi-Final,
 15 September at Subiaco Oval

100

GAMES AS FREMANTLE CAPTAIN



#32 Peter Bell
 Round 18 v Hawthorn,
 6 August at Subiaco Oval

100

AFL WINS



Fremantle's 100th win in the AFL
 Round 15 v Collingwood,
 16 July 2006 at MCG

AFL DEBUT



#30 Marcus Drum
Round 13 v Sydney,
1 July 2006 at SCG

50

FFC GAMES



#43 Roger Hayden
Round 17 v Carlton,
30 July 2006 at Telstra Dome

100

FFC GAMES



#33 Jeff Farmer
Round 22 v Port Adelaide,
2 September 2006 at Subiaco Oval

150

AFL GAMES



#2 Josh Carr
First Preliminary Final,
22 Sept 2006 at Telstra Stadium

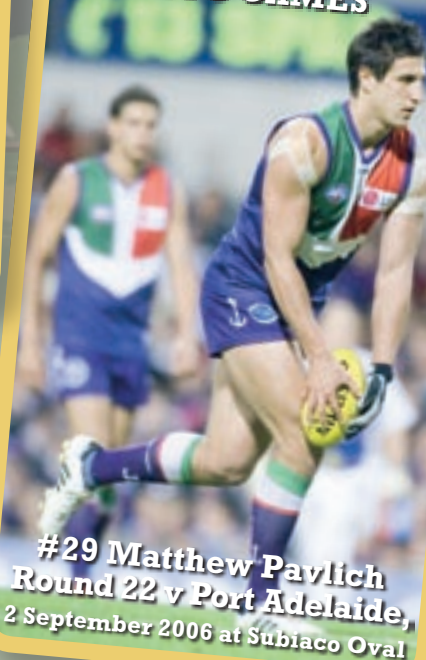
SEASON GOALS RECORD



#29 Matthew Pavlich
71 goals in 2006
Equals Tony Modra 71 goals in 1999

150

FFC GAMES



#29 Matthew Pavlich
Round 22 v Port Adelaide,
2 September 2006 at Subiaco Oval

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2006 FINALS CAMPAIGN STATISTICS

Ave Winning Margin: 28 points

Ave Losing Margin: 32.5 points

Ave Score For: 80.0 points

Ave Score Against: 92.3 points

THE TOP 5'S

Goals	Total	Avg Per Game
Matthew Pavlich	8	2.7 (3 games)
Jeff Farmer	5	1.7 (3 games)
Troy Cook	4	1.3 (3 games)
Ryan Crowley	3	1.0 (3 games)
Peter Bell	3	1.0 (3 games)
Ryan Murphy	3	1.5 (2 games)

Disposals	Total	Avg Per Game
Heath Black	72	24.0 (3 games)
Peter Bell	70	23.3 (3 games)
Josh Carr	66	22.0 (3 games)
Michael Johnson	63	21.0 (3 games)
Byron Schammer	47	15.7 (3 games)

Kicks	Total	Avg Per Game
Heath Black	53	17.7 (3 games)
Peter Bell	40	13.3 (3 games)
Michael Johnson	37	12.3 (3 games)
Matthew Pavlich	35	11.7 (3 games)
Josh Carr	34	11.3 (3 games)

Handballs	Total	Avg Per Game
Josh Carr	32	10.7 (3 games)
Peter Bell	30	10.0 (3 games)
Michael Johnson	26	8.7 (3 games)
Byron Schammer	23	7.7 (3 games)
Shane Parker	23	7.7 (3 games)

Tackles	Total	Avg Per Game
Josh Carr	13	4.3 (3 games)
Des Headland	12	4.0 (3 games)
Jeff Farmer	11	3.7 (3 games)
Matthew Carr	10	3.3 (3 games)
Ryan Crowley	10	3.3 (3 games)
Peter Bell	10	3.3 (3 games)

Marks	Total	Avg Per Game
Matthew Pavlich	23	7.7 (3 games)
Heath Black	23	7.7 (3 games)
Michael Johnson	21	7.0 (3 games)
David Mundy	19	6.3 (3 games)
Roger Hayden	16	5.3 (3 games)

Hitouts	Total	Avg Per Game
Aaron Sandilands	94	31.3 (3 games)
Justin Longmuir	14	4.7 (3 games)

Frees for	Total	Avg Per Game
Peter Bell	8	2.7 (3 games)
Justin Longmuir	6	2.0 (3 games)
Josh Carr	4	1.3 (3 games)
Byron Schammer	3	1.0 (3 games)
Matthew Pavlich	3	1.0 (3 games)
Michael Johnson	3	1.0 (3 games)
Roger Hayden	3	1.0 (3 games)



Second Qualifying Final



SECOND QUALIFYING FINAL v ADELAIDE

Saturday 9 Sept 2006, 2:30pm, AAMI Stadium

Fremantle	4.2	5.2	7.4	7.4	(46)
Adelaide	1.3	3.8	5.12	10.16	(76)

Goals: Farmer, Pavlich 2

Kicks: Black 25

Handballs: J. Carr 15

Disposals: Black 32

Marks: Black 12

Tackles: J. Carr 7

Hitouts: Sandilands 23

Frees For: M. Carr, Johnson, Sandilands 2

Crowd: 42,208

TEAM:

Backs

Shane Parker, Antoni Grover, Roger Hayden

Half-Backs

David Mundy, Luke McPharlin, Michael Johnson

Centres

Heath Black, Peter Bell, Shaun McManus

Half-Forwards

Des Headland, Matthew Pavlich, Byron Schammer

Forwards

Paul Hasleby, Justin Longmuir, Jeff Farmer

Followers

Aaron Sandilands, Brett Peake, Josh Carr

Interchange

Troy Cook, Ryan Crowley, Steven Dodd, Matthew Carr

Emergencies

Luke Webster, Graham Polak, Ryan Murphy

Second Semi Final

SECOND SEMI FINAL v MELBOURNE

Friday 15 Sept 2006, 6:30pm, Subiaco Oval

Fremantle	3.3	7.9	11.15	14.18	(102)
Melbourne	3.0	7.3	10.4	11.8	(74)

Goals: Farmer, Pavlich, Murphy, M. Carr 2

Kicks: Black 20

Handballs: J. Carr, M. Carr, Bell 11

Disposals: Black 28

Marks: Hayden 10

Tackles: M. Carr 8

Hitouts: Sandilands 32

Frees For: J. Carr, Longmuir 3

Crowd: 42,505

TEAM:

Backs

Michael Johnson, Shane Parker, Roger Hayden

Half-Backs

Matthew Carr, Luke McPharlin, David Mundy

Centres

Heath Black, Josh Carr, Brett Peake

Half-Forwards

Des Headland, Matthew Pavlich, Luke Webster

Forwards

Jeff Farmer, Ryan Murphy, Justin Longmuir

Followers

Aaron Sandilands, Troy Cook, Peter Bell

Interchange

Ryan Crowley, Steven Dodd, Shaun McManus, Byron Schammer

Emergencies

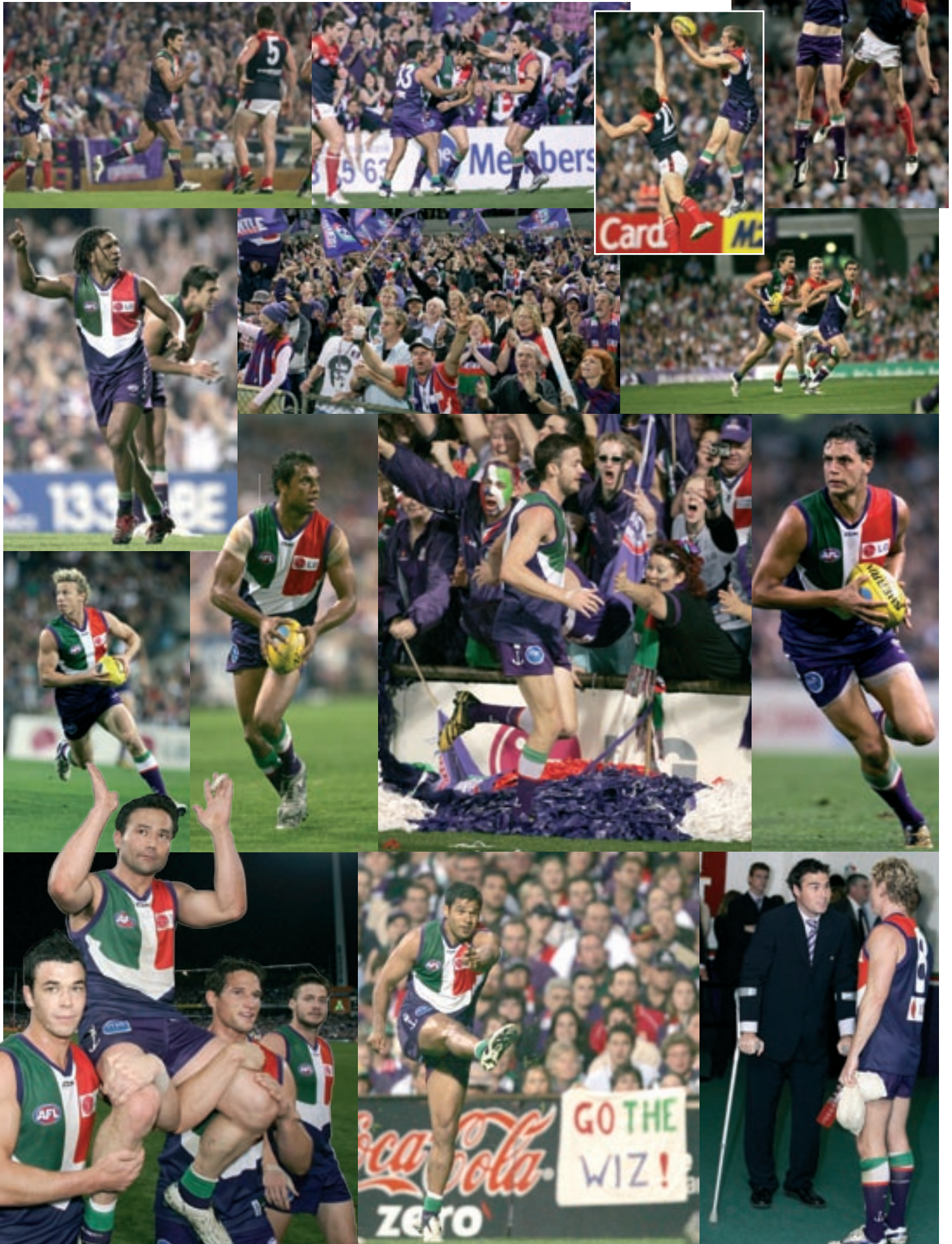
Paul Medhurst, James Walker, Graham Polak



Second Semi Final



Second Semi Final



First Preliminary Final

FIRST PRELIMINARY FINAL v SYDNEY

Friday 22 Sept 2006, 8:00pm, Telstra Stadium

Fremantle	3.2	6.2	11.6	14.8	(92)
Sydney	3.6	8.7	14.8	19.13	(127)

Goals: Pavlich 4

Kicks: Bell 17

Handballs: Johnson 11

Disposals: Bell 24

Marks: Pavlich 10

Tackles: Crowley, Headland 6

Hitouts: Sandilands 39

Frees For: Bell 5

Crowd: 61,373

TEAM:

Backs

Shane Parker, Luke McPharlin, Roger Hayden

Half-Backs

David Mundy, Michael Johnson, Steven Dodd

Centres

Heath Black, Josh Carr, Brett Peake

Half-Forwards

Des Headland, Matthew Pavlich, Troy Cook

Forwards

Jeff Farmer, Ryan Murphy, Justin Longmuir

Followers

Aaron Sandilands, Matthew Carr, Peter Bell

Interchange

Ryan Crowley, Luke Webster, Shaun McManus,
Byron Schammer

Emergencies

Marcus Drum, Antoni Grover, Graham Polak



First Preliminary Final



First Preliminary Final





31 AARON SANDILANDS



STATISTICS AFTER ROUND 22

Ladder Position: 3rd

Wins: 15

Losses: 7

Draws: 0

Ave Winning Margin: 31 pts

Ave Losing Margin: 39 pts

Ave Score For: 94.5 pts

Ave Score Against: 86 pts

PLAYED ALL 22 GAMES

Matthew Carr	David Mundy
Shane Parker	Steven Dodd
Matthew Pavlich	Michael Johnson

THE TOP 5'S

Goals	Total	Avg Per Game
Matthew Pavlich	63	2.7 (22 games)
Jeff Farmer	50	2.6 (19 games)
Des Headland	20	1.2 (17 games)
Ryan Murphy	19	1.9 (10 games)
Justin Longmuir	18	1.4 (23 games)

Disposals	Total	Avg Per Game
Peter Bell	472	23.6 (20 games)
Heath Black	439	20.9 (21 games)
Josh Carr	415	20.8 (20 games)
David Mundy	378	17.2 (22 games)
Byron Schammer	374	17.8 (21 games)

Kicks	Total	Avg Per Game
Heath Black	282	13.4 (21 games)
Matthew Pavlich	271	12.3 (22 games)
Peter Bell	266	13.3 (20 games)
Michael Johnson	233	10.6 (22 games)
Matthew Carr	232	10.6 (22 games)

Handballs	Total	Avg Per Game
Peter Bell	206	10.3 (20 games)
Josh Carr	197	9.9 (20 games)
Byron Schammer	172	8.2 (21 games)
Shaun McManus	170	9.0 (19 games)
Heath Black	157	7.5 (21 games)

Tackles	Total	Avg Per Game
Josh Carr	75	3.8 (20 games)
Peter Bell	66	3.3 (20 games)
Byron Schammer	61	2.9 (21 games)
Steven Dodd	61	2.8 (22 games)
Shane Parker	54	2.5 (22 games)

Marks	Total	Avg Per Game
Matthew Pavlich	173	7.9 (22 games)
Matthew Carr	133	6.1 (22 games)
Michael Johnson	133	6.1 (22 games)
Luke McPharlin	130	6.8 (19 games)
Steven Dodd	129	5.9 (22 games)

Hitouts	Total	Avg Per Game
Aaron Sandilands	422	23.4 (18 games)
Justin Longmuir	84	6.5 (13 games)
Graham Polak	45	4.1 (11 games)

Frees for	Total	Avg Per Game
Josh Carr	28	1.4 (20 games)
Steven Dodd	25	1.0 (25 games)
Peter Bell	23	1.2 (20 games)
Aaron Sandilands	23	1.3 (18 games)
Matthew Pavlich	22	1.0 (22 games)

PREMIERSHIP LADDER 2006

	P	W	D	L	F	A	%	Pts
West Coast	22	17	0	5	2257	1874	120.44	68
Adelaide	22	16	0	6	2331	1640	142.13	64
Fremantle	22	15	0	7	2079	1893	109.83	60
Sydney	22	14	0	8	2098	1630	128.71	56
Collingwood	22	14	0	8	2345	1965	119.34	56
St Kilda	22	14	0	8	2074	1752	118.38	56
Melbourne	22	13	1	8	2146	1957	109.66	54
Western Bulldogs	22	13	0	9	2311	2173	106.35	52
Richmond	22	11	0	11	1934	2245	86.15	44
Geelong	22	10	1	11	1982	2002	99.00	42
Hawthorn	22	9	0	13	1834	2140	85.70	36
Port Adelaide	22	8	0	14	1911	2151	88.84	32
Brisbane	22	7	0	15	1844	2239	82.36	28
Kangaroos	22	7	0	15	1754	2167	80.94	28
Essendon	22	3	1	18	2021	2469	81.86	14
Carlton	22	3	1	18	1791	2415	74.16	14



MILESTONES (FROM ROUND 13)

Marcus Drum made his AFL debut in Round 13 against Sydney at the MCG

Roger Hayden 50th AFL/FFC game in Round 17 against Carlton at Telstra Dome

Peter Bell captained Fremantle for 100th occasion in Round 18 against Hawthorn at Subiaco Oval

Fremantle scored its 100th win the AFL in Round 15 against Collingwood at the MCG

Matthew Pavlich played his 150th AFL/FFC game in Round 22 against Port Adelaide at Subiaco Oval

Jeff Farmer played his 100th game for Fremantle in Round 22 against Port Adelaide at Subiaco Oval

Peter Bell played his 250th AFL game in the second semi final against Melbourne at Subiaco Oval on 15 September 2006

Josh Carr played his 150th AFL game in the First Preliminary Final against Sydney at Telstra Stadium on 22 September 2006

FIRSTS (FROM ROUND 13)

Marcus Drum kicked his first AFL goal in Round 15 against Collingwood at the MCG

Two wins against West Coast in the same season, Round 6 and Round 21

First win in an AFL Finals Series, Second Semi Final v Melbourne at Subiaco Oval 15 September

First time two players have kicked 50 or more goals in a season

CLUB RECORDS (FROM ROUNDS 13 TO 22)

Highest home crowd against Essendon, 34,608 in Round 14

Highest home crowd against Melbourne, 36,244 in Round 16

Highest home crowd against Port Adelaide, 41,121 in Round 22

Highest aggregate home attendance record during the home and away season, 402,282

Highest average home attendance per game, 36,571

Highest score against Port Adelaide, 23.13 (151), Round 22 at Subiaco Oval

Biggest winning margin against Port Adelaide, 79 points, Round 22

Most consecutive wins, 9, from Round 14 2006 to Round 22 2006

Record wins in a home and away season, 15

Highest finish in a home and away season, 3rd

Biggest winning margin against West Coast, 57 points, Round 21, 27 August 2006 Subiaco Oval

Equal most number of goals kicked against Port Adelaide, 6 by Jeff Farmer in Round 22

Highest percentage, 109.83 per cent, in club history at the end of home and away season

Most Brownlow votes polled in one season – 77

Most individual players to receive Brownlow votes – 14 (equal 1997 and 2002)

Season Goals Record, Matthew Pavlich, 71 goals (equals Tony Modra 71 goals in 1999)

ROUND 13 v SYDNEY

Saturday 1 July 2006, SCG 7:10pm

Fremantle	3.4	5.4	8.4	9.4	(58)
Sydney	1.3	4.7	6.15	12.19	(91)

Goals: Pavlich 4

Kicks: M. Carr 12

Marks: Johnson 8

Handballs: McManus, Polak, Hayden 7

Disposals: Hayden 16

Crowd: 24,114

Debut: Marcus Drum

ROUND 14 v ESSENDON

Friday 7 July 2006, Subiaco Oval 6:40pm

Fremantle	7.3	8.5	15.7	19.11	(125)
Essendon	3.1	5.7	10.11	12.16	(88)

Goals: Pavlich, Crowley, Murphy 4

Kicks: McManus 16

Marks: Pavlich 13

Handballs: Hasleby 14

Disposals: Hasleby 27

Crowd: 34,608



ROUND 15 v COLLINGWOOD

Sunday 16 July 2006, MCG 2:10pm

Fremantle	3.4	9.5	14.7	18.11	(119)
Collingwood	3.6	7.9	10.13	15.14	(104)

Goals: Farmer 6

Kicks: Bell 19

Marks: Bell 10

Handballs: Bell 19

Disposals: Bell 38

Crowd: 30,373

ROUND 16 v MELBOURNE

Sunday 23 July 2006, Subiaco Oval 2:40pm

Fremantle	4.2	8.3	12.4	15.6	(96)
Melbourne	4.3	4.7	5.12	9.13	(67)

Goals: Pavlich 3

Kicks: Black 19

Marks: Dodd 12

Handballs: Peake 16

Disposals: Black 31

Crowd: 36,244



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ROUND 17 v CARLTON

Sunday 30 July 2006, Telstra Dome 2:10pm

Fremantle	3.6	8.10	14.13	15.17	(107)
Carlton	1.4	5.6	7.10	13.11	(89)

Goals: Murphy 5

Kicks: Bell, Pavlich 16

Marks: Crowley 10

Handballs: McManus 11

Disposals: Bell 23

Crowd: 17,518

ROUND 18 v HAWTHORN

Sunday 6 August 2006, Subiaco Oval 2:40pm

Fremantle	6.4	8.11	11.14	14.20	(104)
Hawthorn	1.2	5.3	7.6	7.9	(51)

Goals: Longmuir, Farmer 4

Kicks: Bell 19

Marks: Murphy 12

Handballs: Sandilands 16

Disposals: Bell 29

Crowd: 35,017

ROUND 19 v ADELAIDE

Sunday 13 August 2006, AAMI Stadium 12:40pm

Fremantle	3.6	8.10	10.11	13.17	(95)
Adelaide	2.3	5.10	10.14	10.20	(80)

Goals: Farmer 3

Kicks: Bell 19

Marks: Bell 10

Handballs: Peake 14

Disposals: Bell 32

Crowd: 43,127



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ROUND 20 v ST KILDA

Saturday 19 August 2006, Subiaco Oval 5:40pm

Fremantle	6.4	9.5	14.10	17.12	(114)
St Kilda	2.1	2.4	5.8	7.14	(56)

Goals: Farmer 4

Kicks: McPharlin 25

Marks: McPharlin 20

Handballs: Black 13

Disposals: McPharlin, McManus 28

Crowd: 39,069

ROUND 21 v WEST COAST

Sunday 27 August 2006, Subiaco Oval 2:40pm

Fremantle	4.1	8.5	14.8	18.10	(118)
West Coast	4.3	4.8	4.11	8.13	(61)

Goals: Farmer 4

Kicks: Bell 22

Marks: McPharlin 12

Handballs: J. Carr 15

Disposals: J. Carr 31

Crowd: 43,527



ROUND 22 v PORT ADELAIDE

Saturday 2 Sept 2006, Subiaco Oval 5:40pm

Fremantle	6.6	11.9	18.11	23.13	(151)
Port Adelaide	3.1	4.7	5.14	9.18	(72)

Goals: Farmer 6

Kicks: Crowley 19

Marks: Crowley, Pavlich 11

Handballs: Crowley 16

Disposals: Crowley 35

Crowd: 41,121

Milestones:

Matthew Pavlich 150th FFC/AFL game

Jeff Farmer 100th FFC game



Magic Result for Starlight

FREMANTLE'S annual Starlight Purple Haze Game, this year proudly supported by Fremantle Ports, raised a record \$38,471 in the round 18 match against Hawthorn, bringing the total raised for the Starlight Children's Foundation over the four years of the Purple Haze Game to almost \$110,000.

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

While members and supporters were 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 the game in a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity. Not only did they get the chance to meet the players, but on their pre-game visit to the change room, umpires Dean Margetts, Scott McLaren and Kieron Nicholls took time out to meet the kids and sign a few autographs. Well done umps!

For seven year old cancer patient Samuel, from the country town of Williams, the special day was capped off by being chosen as this year's Starlight child to toss the coin before the game, which he won for Captain Peter Bell.

The money raised for Starlight will assist with granting wishes for seriously ill or hospitalised children and help to continually improve the resources of the Starlight Foundation.

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

The club would also like to extend a special thanks to Channel 10 and the team at The Western Front for the fantastic support of the Purple Haze Game in 2006.



The Purple Play Off finalists



Purple Play Off Winner

Once again Subiaco Oval was turned into a sea of purple with plenty of weird and wacky outfits donned on the day but one lucky supporter, Callum Forsey walked away with a LG Electronics plasma television valued at \$4,000 for being crowned best dressed in the "Purple Play Off" at half time for his outfit as Willy Wonka. Congratulations Callum!



State Honours

When the 2006 WA State of Origin team was announced at a gala function on Tuesday 22 August at Subiaco Oval, Fremantle was represented with a record eight players in the side.

FOR THE fourth consecutive year, Fremantle captain Peter Bell was selected in the team, his third time as Captain. Joining the skipper were Jeff Farmer, Shane Parker, Michael Johnson, Des Headland, Josh Carr, Aaron Sandilands and Steven Dodd.

The number of Fremantle players represented in this year's State of Origin team is a reflection of the club's outstanding 2006 season.

The Wiz backed up his selection from 2005 to be again named in the forward pocket. Veteran defender Shane Parker's outstanding season, his twelfth in the AFL, was recognised with selection across the half back line alongside outstanding young defender Michael Johnson. Steven Dodd and Aaron Sandilands joined Johnson in receiving their first senior State of Origin guernseys.



2006 STATE OF ORIGIN SIDE

Backs: James Clement (Collingwood), Darren Glass (West Coast), Nathan Carroll (Melbourne)

Half-backs: Tyson Stenglein (West Coast), Michael Johnson (Fremantle), Shane Parker (Fremantle)

Centres: Daniel Kerr (West Coast), Simon Black (Brisbane), Joel Corey (Geelong)

Half-forwards: Ben Cousins (West Coast), Adam Hunter (West Coast), Des Headland (Fremantle)

Forwards: Jeff Farmer (Fremantle), Quinten Lynch (West Coast), Mark Williams (Hawthorn)

Ruck: Dean Cox (West Coast), Josh Carr (Fremantle), Peter Bell (Fremantle)

Interchange: Aaron Sandilands (Fremantle), Steven Dodd (Fremantle), Andrew Embley (West Coast), Daniel Wells (Kangaroos)

Coach: John Worsfold (West Coast)

Umpire: Dean Margetts



What a Mark!

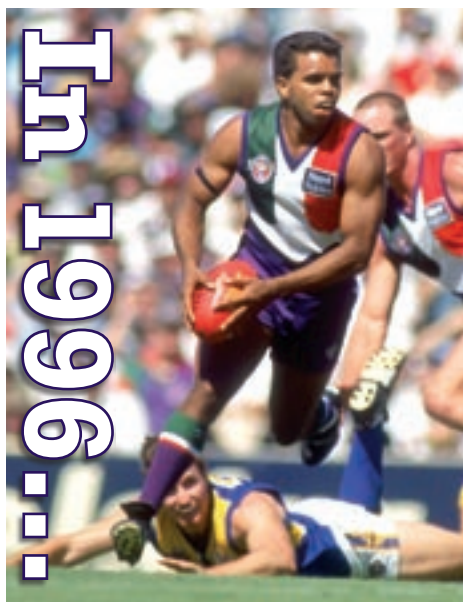


FREMANTLE'S Number 16 David Mundy climbed high against Essendon in round 14 at Subiaco Oval to take a sensational mark that has been captured in this unique piece of memorabilia. This beautifully framed sequence of three photographs of the mark, each personally signed by David will take pride of place in any location. Only 16 pieces have been produced and at just \$299 each (including GST) are sure to go fast. Contact the Fremantle Team Store now and secure your piece of 2006 memorabilia.



CROWLEY





AFTER A promising debut year in the AFL that saw the new Fremantle team notch eight wins to finish in thirteenth position, season 1996 held much promise. Clive Waterhouse joined Fremantle as the number 1 selection overall in the 1995 National Draft, with Matthew Primus taken by Fitzroy with selection 2, Brendon Fewster by West Coast with selection 3, Scott Bamford by Fitzroy at selection 4, and Brendan Krummel by Hawthorn at selection 5.

Others to join Fremantle for the 1996 season from the draft were Ben Edwards (selection 7), Brad Rowe (selection 13), Jay Burton (selection 23), and Daniel Parker (pre-draft selection). Brad Rowe was traded to Footscray, David Hynes traded from West Coast to Fremantle, James Clement taken as a zone selection as were Steven Koops, Trent Carroll, Greg Harding, Gavin Mitchell, Michael Brown, Michael Clark, Brendon Feddema, and Martin Whitelaw.



The Pre-Season Draft brought Craig Nettlebeck to Fremantle from Melbourne and sent Peter Bell to North Melbourne. Tony Godden joined Fremantle as an uncontracted player selection from West Coast.

The new season was the AFL's Centenary Year and would see 21 year old Michael Voss tie for the Brownlow Medal with Essendon's James Hird, Tony Lockett take the Coleman Medal after kicking 114 goals, Ben Cousins win the Rising Star Award, Corey McKernan voted as the MVP by the AFL Players Association, Jeremy Wasley win the Sandover Medal as the Best and Fairest in the WAFL, Josh Francou win the Magarey Medal as the Best and Fairest in the SANFL, Sydney's Paul Kelly named as All Australian Captain, and Sydney and North Melbourne face off in the 1996 Grand Final won by the Kangaroos by 43 points, with Peter Bell kicking a goal and Glen Archer winning the Norm Smith Medal.

At year's end, the club would select Heath Black in the 1996 National Draft from Oakleigh U18s with selection 12, Jess Sinclair with selection 32 from Eastern U18s, and Matthew Clucas with selection 46. The 1996 National Draft saw Michael Gardiner as the number 1 selection to West Coast, Chris Heffernon number 2 to Essendon, Rory Hilton number 3 to Brisbane, Mark Kinnear number 4 to Sydney and Daniel McAlister number 5 to Essendon.

There were four more inductees into the Fremantle Football Club Hall of Legends, W J "Nipper" Truscott, Brian Peake, John Todd, and Bernie Naylor. 📺



The 1996 Season in Summary

Ladder Position: 13th

Wins: 7

Most consecutive wins: 2

Losses: 15

Most consecutive losses: 7

Draws: 0

Points For: 1830 (ave 83.2 per game)

Points Against: 1983 (ave 90.1 per game)

Percentage: 92.3

Senior Coach: Gerard Neesham

Captain: Ben Allan

Vice Captain: Peter Mann

Highest Score: Round 22 v Fitzroy, 24.13 (157)

Lowest Score: Round 7 v Adelaide, 5.6 (36)

Home Crowd Attendance: 22,369 (ave per game)

Highest Home Crowd (non-derby): 26,461 v Melb.

Most Brownlow Medal Votes: Shaun McManus 9

Average AFL Game Experience: 35 games

AFL Debuts: Gavin Mitchell, Greg Harding, Clive Waterhouse, Michael Brown, Steven Koops, Luke Toia, James Clement, Daniel Parker

Milestones: Scott Watters (100 AFL Games), Jason Norrish (50 AFL Games)

1996 SEASON STATISTICS

Kicks: Dale Kickett 217

Handballs: Dale Kickett 215

Marks: Peter Mann 98

Tackles: Dale Kickett 61

Hitouts: Matthew Burton 396

Goals: Kingsley Hunter 33

Rising Star Nominees: Daniel Bandy, Craig Callaghan, Luke Toia

1996 CLUB HONOURS

Doig Medallist: Stephen O'Reilly

Runner-up: Dale Kickett

Third Place: Scott Chisholm

Fourth Place: Peter Mann

Fifth Place: Craig Callaghan

Beacon Award Winner: Gavin Mitchell

WA State of Origin:

SA 20.6 (126) def WA 13.13 (91) at Football Park, Adelaide, 2 June 1996

Fremantle Representatives: Stephen O'Reilly, Gavin Mitchell, Dale Kickett, Anthony Jones, Daniel Bandy

Fremantle Football Club Hall of Legends Inductees

W J "NIPPER" TRUSCOTT

From: Kalgoorlie-Boulder

Played:

1906 to 1927

Games:

(estimated) Mines Rovers, East Fremantle, WA 400

East Fremantle Captain:

1916-1922

East Fremantle Premiership Player:

1914, 1918, 1925

Perth Coach:

1934, 1935

WA Representative at Australian Football Carnivals:

1908, 1911, 1914, 1921, 1924

BRIAN PEAKE

From: Manning

Played:

1972 to 1990

Games:

East Fremantle 304, Geelong 66, Perth 10, WA 22

Sandover Medal: 1977

Tassie Medallist: 1979

All Australian Captain: 1979

East Fremantle Captain:

1979-1981

EF Fairest and Best:

1976, 1978, 1979, 1980

East Fremantle Fairest and Best:

1976, 1978, 1979, 1980

East Fremantle Premiership Player:

1974, 1979, 1985

Geelong Captain: 1982

JOHN TODD

From: Deanmill

Played: 1955 to 1966

Games:

South Fremantle 132, WA 9

Sandover Medal: 1955

South Fremantle Best and Fairest: 1955, 1958, 1961

South Fremantle Captain-Coach: 1959

South Fremantle Captain: 1961, 1962

East Fremantle Coach: 1973-1976

Swan Districts Coach:

1977-1987, 1990-1994

West Coast Coach: 1988-1989

East Fremantle Premiership Coach: 1974

Swan Districts Premiership Coach: 1982, 1983, 1984, 1990

BERNIE NAYLOR

From: Fremantle

Played:

1941 to 1954

Games:

South Fremantle 194, WA 15

Goals:

South Fremantle 1,034

WAFL Records:

23 goals in a game

(v Subiaco 1953),

167 goals in a season

WAFL Leading goalscorer:

1946, 1947, 1948, 1952, 1953, 1954

South Fremantle Best and Fairest: 1953

South Fremantle Premiership Player:

1947, 1948, 1950, 1952, 1953, 1954

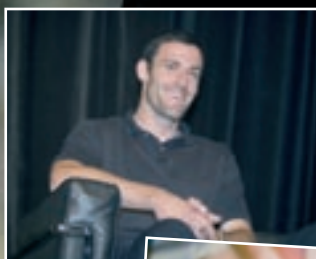
Fitting Tribute

Often been described as the heart and soul of the Fremantle Football Club, it was fitting that more than 850 people crammed into the Grand Ballroom at the Burswood Entertainment Complex to pay tribute to veteran midfielder Shaun McManus, a player that has laid everything on the line for his club.

CURRENT AND former team mates, the McManus family, coaching staff and hundreds of fans joined together to celebrate a 12 year AFL career filled with many high, lows and memorable moments. From being an inaugural team member of the Fremantle playing squad to the highs of captaining the club and being part of the club's first ever finals campaign to the lows of two knee reconstructions, the boy from Fremantle has made his own indelible mark on the club he loves. While many took to the stage to pay their own special tribute, the video screen provided that one moment that surpasses all words to describe Shaun McManus.

Fittingly that moment came against West Coast in round 4 of 2001. Running with the flight of the ball he was met head-on by Eagles defender David Wirrpanda, a bone crunching collision that left him lying motionless and dazed on the Subiaco surface. In true McManus fashion the midfielder rose to his feet, brushed himself off and slotted a tough goal from the boundary line.

A Life Member of Fremantle, the Testimonial dinner gave all those who played a part in his footballing life or who simply admire the way he plays the game, to say thank you and well done.



For the Diary

Membership Open Day

12 NOVEMBER



Current and prospective members and those new to the club are all welcome to attend the open day at Subiaco Oval on Sunday 12 November, from 11am until 2pm, in the Bill Walker Room.

Entry is via Gate 6 (off Subiaco Road). This a great opportunity to come down to the ground and check the availability and position of reserved seating first hand. The membership team will be available to process membership renewals and new member applications.

Annual Members Meeting

30 NOVEMBER

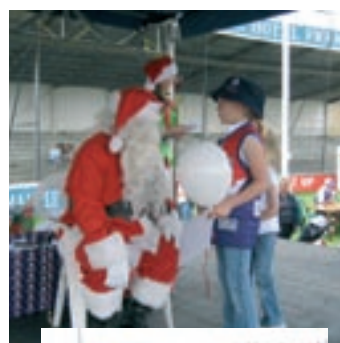
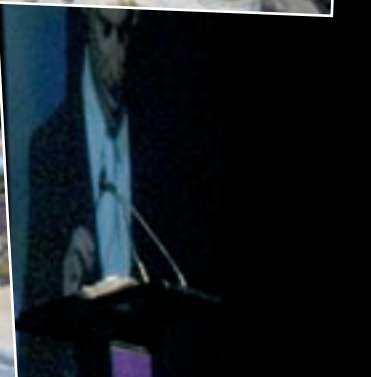


The annual members meeting will be held on Thursday 30 November 2006. Please see the club website for further details closer to the date.

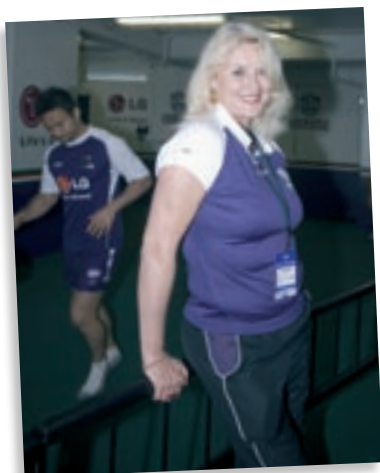
December Junior Member's Christmas Party



The annual Brownes Chill Junior Christmas Party will be on again – check the Members Section of the club's website closer to the date.



On Sacred Ground Winner!



LEE SAPPHO won the opportunity of a lifetime thanks to Coca-Cola's 'On Sacred Ground Promotion'. Lucky Lee won the exclusive game day experience that included a look into the hot seat, the coach's box before the game, watch the pre-match warm-up in the rooms and was especially excited to see her favourite player Peter Bell preparing for the big match against St Kilda and the opportunity to have a chat with injured duo Paul Hasleby and Ryan Murphy before watching the game in the thick of the action from the media dugout right on the boundary!

Lee was able to celebrate the great win against the Saints straight after the game in the change rooms and watch the players sing the club song. But all the action for the 'On Sacred Ground' winner wasn't just on game day as Lee was then invited to help the trainers during a team training session on Fremantle Oval and the chance to take on Des Headland in a table tennis game in the players' lounge and saw that Des is pretty handy with a bat as well as a ball.

Lee had the time of her life as the 'On Sacred Ground' winner. Special thanks to Coca-Cola Amatil (WA) for their continued support of the club and a fantastic promotion.👍



LG Corporate Training Session

MAJOR SPONSOR LG Electronics held their second gruelling Corporate Training session for season 2006 at Fremantle Oval on Wednesday 16 August which put thirty-five of LG's guests through their paces.

The 'lucky' guests of LG Electronics, swapped shirts and ties for footy gear and braced themselves for an afternoon full of footy action, that featured a game between LG's Brown Goods team and the LG Information Technology team.

Team warm-ups were led by Paul Hasleby and the club's Player

Welfare Manager Lee Walker, before taking the field for the hotly awaited clash.

The crowd was entertained by a highly skilful display of footy with the Brown Goods team, under the guidance of Steven Icke, Fremantle's General Manager Player Personnel and List Management) and his Assistant Coach, Fremantle defender Steven Dodd, running away with a comprehensive 30 point win – 7.8 (50) to 2.4 (20).

Both teams were then subjected to a punishing recovery session in



the gym under the watchful eye of the club's Assistant Conditioning Coach, Ben Piggott who put the players through a strenuous bike, weights and boxing circuit which gave the group a terrific insight into the regime of life as an AFL footballer.

The training session ended with a behind-the-scenes tour of the club's facilities and then a well earned rest!

The day was a terrific success and Fremantle would like to thank everyone who contributed and participated to this training session.👍



Mirvac Fini House Auction

THE 'MIRVAC Fini Home of the Dockers' auction was held on Sunday 20 August in Meadow Springs, Mandurah with over 150 people turning out to inspect the property and enjoy the street party thanks to club sponsor 92.9.

The 92.9 Roadrunners cooked up a tasty barbecue, while the announcer entertained the crowd, broadcasting from the home.

Troy Cook, Des Hedland and Daniel Haines were on hand and eagerly posed for photographs and signed autographs for their young fans, who also got the opportunity to meet Johnny 'The Doc' Docker.

The 'Mirvac Fini Home of the Dockers' did not reach its reserve and will now be sold privately.👍



Member's have Hart!

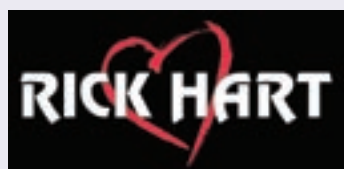
IN JULY, members and supporters had exclusive access to the O'Connor and Osborne Park Rick Hart stores for their chance to secure a bargain of a lifetime.

Each season valued sponsor The Rick Hart Group, opens the doors for the popular member-only event, the 'VIP Sale Night'.

The 'VIP Sale Night' offers members goods at cost price plus 5%, giving lucky members and supporters great value for money.

Over 400 people attended the O'Connor store with Aaron Sandilands and Robert Warnock on hand to sign autographs and show off their skills

in a hotly contested handball competition, while Heath Black and Michael Warren were on hand at the Osborne Park store to help over 350 members spot a bargain. Thanks to everyone who made the 2006 'Rick Hart VIP Sale Night' a record success.



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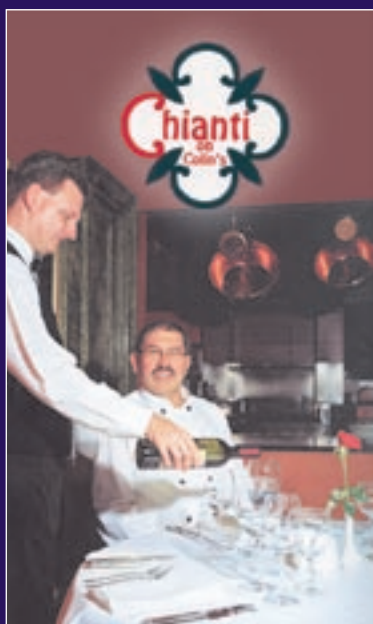
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Don't Miss All The Action in 2007!

**Membership Renewals
Commence Mid-October**



MEMBERSHIP NEWS

With almost 36,000 members in 2006 and a new club membership record, Fremantle has moved to be ranked fourth in membership in the AFL. The fourth consecutive year of membership record growth continues to show the pride, loyalty and passion of Fremantle members.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL INFORMATION

Membership renewal information will be posted to all existing members in mid-October and will include detailed information about membership options and pricing for 2007. If you have changed address or are in the process of changing your address please make sure you let the club know so that your priority renewal form and 2007 membership information reaches you on time. You are now able to change your mailing address on line at www.fremantlefc.com.au and go to the Members section. As in previous years, current members will be offered first option to retaining the same reserved seat for the 2007 season. Existing members can also choose to change seats, however all changes are subject to availability and are processed by the order in which they are received – so make sure you get your form in as soon as possible!

2007 PRIORITY RENEWAL PERIOD – EXPIRES 30 NOVEMBER

The priority renewal period ends on Thursday 30 November, 2006. By renewing within the priority period members will:

1. Ensure they retain their current reserved seat for the 2007 season.
2. Go into the draw to win a trip for two to the 2007 AFL Grand Final including air fares and accommodation.
3. Receive their membership cards prior to Christmas.
4. Receive a complimentary copy of the 2006 Fremantle Football Club Year Book (one per household) distributed with membership cards and other exclusive membership items.

Fremantle member Darren Halifax was the lucky winner from last year. Darren renewed prior to the end of the priority renewal period in 2005 and won the trip of a lifetime to the 2006 AFL Grand Final with airfares and accommodation included. Make sure you put yourself in the running for this fantastic prize in 2007 by renewing your membership prior to 30 November.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS PROCESS

Membership Renewals for the 2007 season will be processed as follows:

- All non seated members and those members with seats who are renewing the same seat as they held in 2006 will be processed

immediately upon receipt of the form by the Membership team.

- Renewing members that are requesting a change of seating will be processed after the priority renewal period, in the order in which their applications are received.

- Renewing members who are retaining their existing seats and have introduced new members but do not request to have new members seated with them, will have their memberships processed with the new members will not be processed until after the priority renewal period has expired, in the order in which their applications are received.

- Renewing members who are retaining their existing seats and have introduced new members and have requested to have new members seated with them, will be processed together after the priority renewal period has expired, in the order in which their applications are received.

- Renewing members requesting a change of seating AND adding new members who request to sit with the renewing members, will be processed together after the priority renewal period has expired, in the order in which their applications are received.

After the Priority Renewal period expires, any member's reserved seats that have not been renewed will be made available to other members wishing to relocate, or to new members.

2007 SEATING AVAILABILITY

In an effort to make it easier for members to see which seats are most likely to be available in 2007 (for seating changes and those adding new members) listed below are the blocks in which there are currently 30 or more available seats. For specific locations of these blocks please consult the seating map of Subiaco Oval available on the club's web site www.fremantlefc.com.au or in your 2007 Membership Brochure.

3 Tier Stand – Under Roofline

Budget: 415 (Special Family *Non Alcohol Block), 416 & 417
Standard: 215-217, 314-318

3 Tier Stand – NOT Under Roofline

Budget: 115 (Special Family *Non Alcohol Block)
116 (Cheer Squad)

2 Tier Stand – Under Roofline

Premium: 312 & 313

2 Tier Stand – NOT Under Roofline

Premium: 107-110

North Eastern Stand – Under Roofline

Premium: 347

North Eastern Stand – NOT Under Roofline

Standard: 147
Premium: 149-152

Eastern Stand – Under Roofline

Standard: 337-339, 343
Premium: 237-238, 240-242, 334-336, 345-346

Eastern Stand – NOT Under Roofline

Budget: 134-135, 137
Standard: 335-339

ANZ Stand – Under Roofline

Premium: 332-333

ANZ Stand – NOT Under Roofline

Standard: 121-123, 129-131
Premium: 121-126, 128-130, 332-333

OPEN DAY AT SUBIACO OVAL

– SUNDAY 12 NOVEMBER 2006

Current and prospective members and those new to the club are all welcome to attend the open day at Subiaco Oval on Sunday 12 November, from 11am until 2pm, in the Bill Walker Room. Entry is via Gate 6 (off Subiaco Road). This a great opportunity to come down to the ground and check the availability and position of reserved seating first hand. The membership team will be available to accept membership renewals and new member applications.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Anyone who has changed their address will need to advise the club in writing to: c/- Fremantle Membership, PO Box 381, Fremantle, 6959 or via the internet at www.fremantlefc.com.au and go to the Members section. Address changes will be not be taken over the phone.

THANK YOU CHEER SQUADS

The WA and Victorian cheer squads lead the support for the team throughout the AFL season and both cheer squads do a tremendous job in providing a colourful, positive and, most importantly, loud presence at all Fremantle's games. The Victorian cheer squad has the added task of leading from the front at interstate venues such as AAMI Stadium, the SCG, the 'Gabba and even Aurora Stadium in Tasmania. This passionate group of members and supporters undertake these trips on a voluntary basis and always provide fantastic support to the team when they are away from Perth.



IMPORTANT NOTICE

2006 Member Elections and Member Meeting

– for details see page 5

On behalf of the Board, staff, coaches and players, many thanks to all members of both cheer squads for their energy, enthusiasm and commitment. From all at the club, it is greatly appreciated!

Details of the end of season functions for both the WA and Victorian cheer squads will be communicated to cheer squad members shortly. We hope that all cheer squad members can attend these events so the club and Members Equity Bank can acknowledge your wonderful efforts.

DEAKIN UNIVERSITY MEMBER RESEARCH

Thanks to all the members who have taken part in the annual Members Survey conducted by Deakin University. This survey forms an important part of our planning for 2007, providing the Membership Team with specific feedback and recommendations on membership services. The survey is always conducted via a secure web page, so if you would like to be involved, please ensure that you include your email address on your 2007 Priority Renewal Form or advise the club of your email address on line at:

www.fremantlefc.com.au

and go to the Members section. (A copy of the club's Privacy Policy is available on the club's web site.)

MEMBERSHIP DEPARTMENT CONTACT INFORMATION

Membership Services:

(08) 9433 7111 or 1300 88 20 77

Membership Services Fax:

(08) 9433 7002

General Enquiries:

(08) 9433 7000

Membership Mailing Address:

Fremantle FC Membership
PO Box 381, FREMANTLE WA 6959

Email:

membership@fremantlefc.com.au

Office Address:

Fremantle Oval, Parry Street
FREMANTLE WA 6160

Web Address:

www.fremantlefc.com.au

The drawing is titled "THE FIRE" in large, bold, capital letters. It depicts a red fire truck with a ladder extended upwards. A fireman in a red uniform is standing next to the truck. The background is a simple landscape with a yellow sky and green ground. The drawing is made on a piece of paper with a grid pattern.

Josh Carr – recently retired US tennis great Andre Agassi

A collage of eight photographs of famous athletes in action, each with a red circle containing a number from 1 to 8. The athletes are: 1. A baseball player in a white uniform swinging a bat. 2. A close-up of a boxer's face. 3. A tennis player in a white shirt and cap looking up. 4. A basketball player in a purple jersey dribbling a ball. 5. A soccer player in a blue and white striped jersey. 6. A tennis player in a blue shirt. 7. A basketball player in a white jersey shooting a ball. 8. A soccer player in a green jersey.

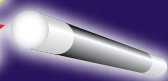
Kids, follow the clues and arrows to answer the Q-wiz Words questions and fill in the cross word. You'll need to know about my team mates to complete it. Good luck!

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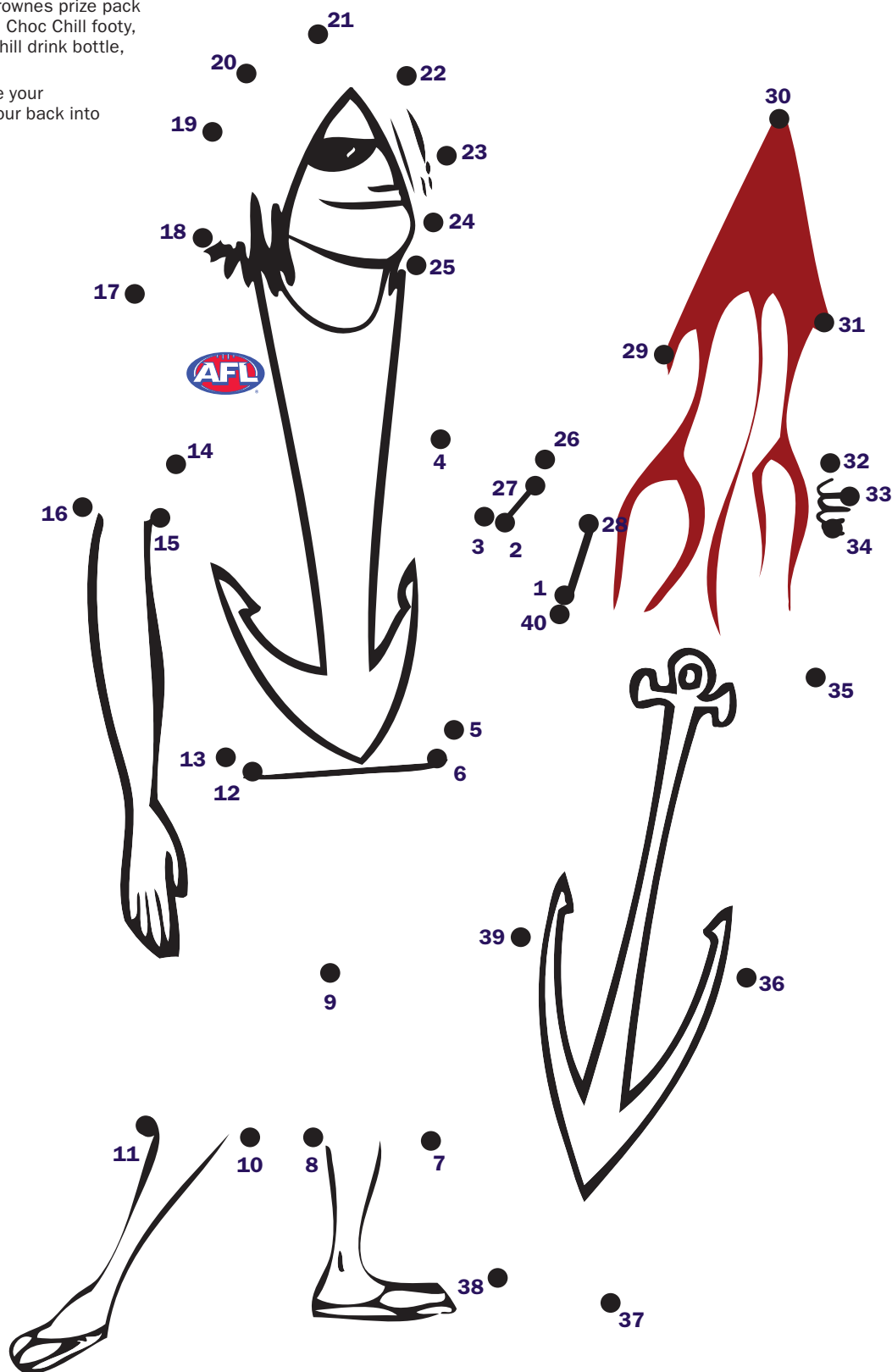
Wiz Kidz



Chill Bill's 'JOIN THE DOTS' and win!

STARTING at number 1, can you follow the numbers and join the dots to find out who the Fremantle Football Club icon is? Once you have completed joining the dots, tell us who the icon is by sending your answer along with your name, age and address to competitions@fremantlefc.com.au to go into the draw to win a Wiz Kidz Yogo Brownes prize pack which includes a Yogo yo-yo, a Choc Chill footy, a Yogo t-shirt, a Licensed to Chill drink bottle, stickers and tattoos.

Chill Bill suggests you practice your colouring-in and put some colour back into Fremantle's favourite icon!



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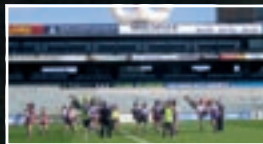
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FREMANTLE'S Community Development Programme, the first integrated programme of its kind in the AFL, delivers over 50 key programme initiatives to primary and secondary students, junior football clubs, charities, and special community groups that promote fun, fitness and the benefits of physical activity.

**Community
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Aligned Clubs Cross Nullarbor



FREMANTLE welcomed the under 17's team from "Aligned Club," Doncaster Heights, in Templestowe, Victoria to visit the club for a football trip in September.

Doncaster Heights had an exciting week that included taking on local Subway sponsored Fremantle Football Club Youth League team Palmyra, in the curtain raiser to the Round 22 clash against Port Adelaide on Subiaco Oval. The team also used the club's facilities for their training and rehab sessions which were taken under the watchful eye of the Fremantle's conditioning coaches.

The group were also the club's guests at 'People's Night' on Monday 4 September to be a part of finals fever at training, joining more than 1000 people at Fremantle Oval to watch the team go through their paces in the lead up to the finals campaign. Doncaster then had a BBQ dinner with some of the Fremantle players and coaches after the training session.

Doncaster Junior Football Club formed a pathway alliance with Fremantle in June which sees them wear the Fremantle guernsey's sponsored by Members Equity Bank (MEB).

Delegates from aligned Tasmanian club the Burnie Dockers, including President Shane Walker, were also invited to Fremantle in July for a behind-the-scenes look at how the club is run and to cement the two clubs' association for the future.

On the agenda was a memorandum of understanding that solidified the link between both Dockers clubs, to ensure a strong partnership beyond that of just sharing a name. "There's a unanimous understanding from both clubs that youth will be our focus," said Walker.

"As a club, we really want to get community involvement and kids interested in footy, and we'll be able to do that through the support of the Fremantle Football Club," he said.

The partnership also sees the Burnie Dockers adopt the Fremantle playing guernseys.🏈

School Holiday Fun

OVER 150 EAGER children started their July school holiday fun at the Fremantle Football Club's Regional School Holiday Clinic at Hands Oval in Bunbury. The club's first ever Regional School Holiday Programme provided a terrific opportunity for children aged 6 to 12 to have fun and learn footy skills from Fremantle players.🏈





Subway adds bite to Youth Leagues

Fremantle welcomes SUBWAY Restaurants as the proud Sponsor of the Fremantle Football Club Youth League for the next three years.

THE SUBWAY sponsored Fremantle Football Club Youth League (FFCYL) is part of the club's Community Development Programme, which involves 16-17 year olds across Western Australia and currently facilitates nine metropolitan and six country competitions.

In its third year, the youth league addresses the drop out rate in youth sport by encouraging participation in football, and the support from Subway Restaurants will enable the continued development of youth league football in Western Australia across all metropolitan and rural areas.

"The club is thrilled to have Subway join the team to provide support, resources and profile to the exciting under 17s competition," said David Crute, Fremantle's Community Development Manager.

"The youth league currently reaches hundreds of youths across the state and has had an immediate impact on the quality of the competitions, and most importantly, the number of participants involved which is a great result.

"Already involving more than 100 teams throughout the metropolitan area, the Peel region, Albany, Esperance, Geraldton, Murchison and the South West, the league is continuing to grow and gain in popularity," he said.

Subway Restaurants also sponsored the 2006 Fremantle Football Club Youth League Finals Series and are proud to be associated with both the Fremantle Football Club and the junior football community.

"Subway restaurants have an enviable reputation in the quick service market and alignment to sport is a natural step that is very much in the right direction," said Brett Higgins, Development Manager of Subway Western Australia.

"Subway Restaurants are pleased to be a part of the Fremantle Football Club Youth Leagues to assist in the recruitment and retention levels of 16 & 17 year old footballers.

"Subway is very popular with young people who have realised they are not immortal and are placing a strong focus on health, and

this sponsorship for the next three years is a perfect fit," he said.

During the season, Fremantle also invites youth league teams to play in curtain raisers throughout the season giving players the rare experience of playing on Subiaco Oval like their AFL heroes. Teams from as far away as the Murchison region have taken part in curtain raisers during 2006.

Fremantle Football Club's commitment to junior football will see new teams join the competition, with discussions underway for the SUBWAY sponsored Fremantle Football Club Youth League to expand into the Pilbara region and Kalgoorlie soon.

Subway also proudly sponsor the SUBWAY Challenge, a long kicking competition that involves selected players from the Youth League and was held before the Round 22 game against Port Adelaide. The 2006 winner of the SUBWAY Challenge was Ben Hall, from Canning Vale, who took home a digital music player and a signed Fremantle team guernsey for his local football club. ☐



Fremantle in the Community

AS WELL as training and playing, the players have been busy out and about during the season delivering the club's Community Development Programme (CDP). The CDP in 2006:

- ☐ Involved more than 124,000 participants
- ☐ Visited 505 schools, reaching more than 75,000 children
- ☐ Serviced more than 4,000 donation requests
- ☐ Made over 550 appearances by players at various charity functions, clinics, events, and schools visits

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...and 3,000 rulers

To be a part of the Community Development Programme in 2007 contact the club's Community Development department via email at cdp@fremantlefc.com.au ☐

Community Development Programme Competition

CONGRATULATIONS to the winners of Fremantle's Community Development Programme Competition:

1st Prize

Max Dowling of MARMION won a \$1,000 bank account from Members Equity Bank.

2nd Prize

Ali Holister of MANDURAH and her class from Assumption Catholic Primary School were the special guests for team training at Fremantle Oval.

3rd Prize

Jack D'Alton of FREMANTLE won a 2006 Home Guernsey signed by the team

4th Prize

Joshua Green of BUNBURY, won 20 Tickets for he and his friends to the Round 22 match against Port Adelaide

Special thanks to the club's Gold Level sponsor, Members Equity Bank for their support of the 2006 Community Development Programme Competition which will be back again in 2007.



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