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STEVE HARRIS



Seven years ago in my first ever speech as president to guests at the Doig Medal Presentation Dinner, I touched on the club's vision for sustained success - a strategy to deliver long-term success to our club on and off field.

In almost every area our club has delivered on this plan, except for the most important, an AFL Premiership.

We've been close but sadly were not good enough.

After winning the minor premiership in 2015, we began 2016 with high hopes, but our performance fell short of expectations.

It was a year cruelled by injury. At the season mid-point we had no less than 17 players out injured.

There's no way you're going to do well on field when you've got names like Sandilands, Fyfe, Bennell, Johnson and others on the sidelines for most of the season.

However, I was taught that the best measure of an individual's character was not how they performed when things were going well, but how they carried themselves under adversity, when things got tough and they were challenged.

2016 was a season where things got tough and we were challenged, but I am proud of the

way we carried ourselves through this adversity, as a club, including our members.

I'm proud of the way David Mundy led us in his first year as captain.

I'm proud of the way our new and younger players delivered on field; names such as Apeness, Collins, Weller, Blakely, Tucker, Taberner, Yarran and Langdon will be a big part of the future of our club.

I'm proud of the way our members turned out and cheered for our club, wherever, whenever, game after game, but most of all the way they turned out in round 23 to farewell Matthew Pavlich.

And I'm proud of the way we have been planning for season 2017 and beyond.

There is a bright and exciting future ahead for our club.

In less than six months our club will relocate to our new \$109 million elite training and administration facility at Cockburn Central West. This will be the biggest and best facility in the AFL.

At a time when the AFL is equalising everything on field it will provide a world-class environment to attract and retain the best people in sport to our club, and it will also allow our people, on and off field, to deliver their best possible performance.



And best of all, it's an open community facility with more than one million people expected through per year. If you'd like to do your Monday morning swim next to Stephen Hill and Nathan Fyfe then head on down to the City of Cockburn integrated facility, Cockburn ARC.

At the time of publication we are only 14 months away from playing our games at the new Perth Stadium. Make no mistake, no matter if you watch the game from the coaches' box, a corporate box, or the cheapest seats in the house, this stadium will deliver an experience unlike any other you've had at any stadium in the world. It will change the way you experience and enjoy football.

In 2017 we will field WA's first ever team in the new AFL Women's league, and the leadership and planning for this is well progressed to deliver new strength, depth and success to our club.

We've got record membership, and we are financially strong.

And we have a strategy for success. We know what we've got to do to be playing finals and we have a plan to get there. We have done this before, and we will do it again.

All of these things are important, but they are subordinate to having the right people to lead the club, and at the Dockers we have the best people for the future.

In CEO Steve Rosich, and his management team, we have the people who have driven our club to being a top four AFL performer in every off field measure of financial and business performance.

In football, under Ross Lyon, Chris Bond, Brad Lloyd and Jason Weber we have the leaders who took us to a grand final in 2013, and a minor premiership in 2015.

In our playing group we have the right mix of leaders, experience and emerging talent brought together in a strong culture and desire for success.

At the board level, we have been planning an orderly transition since late last year, with our vice president Dale Alcock taking over as the club's fifth president.

Dale is as competitive as he is intelligent, and will bring a fresh approach to our leadership, governance and strategy.

We are a strong club with the fundamentals in place. We have the right resourcing, the right people and the right plan for success. We are a club with a bright and exciting future.

I'd like to recognise the contribution of club director Grant Donaldson, who has retired having reached the maximum of 10 years on the board. Grant continually brought a razor sharp focus to the board and the club. His passion and intellect have been a driver of our success.

Thank you, Grant.

Finally, in my last Year Book report as president, I'd like to thank the most important people in the club, our members.

The loudest, most passionate members in Australian sport. Thank you for your support, and your support of this great club.

For my last time ever...thank you, and GO DOCKERS! 🦁

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AFTER A DISAPPOINTING ON-FIELD RESULT IN 2016, HOW DO YOU REFLECT ON THE YEAR?

After four consecutive finals series, and winning the second most games in the past three years to Hawthorn, it was a very disappointing on-field result in 2016.

The club and our members are used to winning and this year was difficult to swallow, but at the same time the disappointing results have been acted on and we are better prepared for the future.

The season provided an opportunity to strategically focus on our key areas in football to ensure that our performance in the coming seasons is more reflective of our most recent seasons, and at a level to be a premiership winning football club on and off the field.

GIVEN THAT STRATEGIC FOCUS, WHAT OTHER OPPORTUNITIES WERE PRESENTED THIS YEAR?

We had planned to conduct a list management review prior to the start of the 2016 season, and this was actioned in accordance with those plans and completed in May.

That list management review, and resulting update of our list management model, has provided valuable strategic guidance to key people in our football department and across the club for our list management activities.

We saw this first hand with the actions taken in the 2016 AFL Trade Period that resulted in the club securing four young West Australians with AFL experience in Cam McCarthy, Bradley Hill, Joel Hamling and Shane Kersten. We also witnessed the model in action throughout the year as a number of our young and emerging players were exposed to AFL football for sustained periods.

These young players, including our AFL Rising Star nominees Lachie Weller and Connor Blakely, were



able to develop their game and show promising signs for the future.

It was really pleasing to see them, along with some of our more seasoned players, continue their football into the WAFL finals series and be part of the first-ever premiership win for Peel Thunder, in just the third year of our partnership.

It's a great reflection of these young men and the way they applied themselves throughout the WAFL finals series to achieve a great result.

On that note we congratulate the Peel Thunder Football Club, their board and their management team led by John Ditchburn, on their first WAFL Grand Final win in their

20-year history. We were extremely proud to be an integral part of the historic premiership.

As part of the ongoing review process at the club, we've also reset the football department coaching structure, and that has included the most recent appointment of Tom Morris in the new role of high performance manager – coaching. Tom will be vitally important to ensure that we continue to develop our coaches and get the most out of our playing group.

WHAT WAS YOUR ASSESSMENT OF THE TRADE PERIOD AND WHAT IT MEANS FOR FUTURE ON-FIELD SUCCESS?

We had a very planned approach to the 2016 AFL Trade Period

and targeted four players that ultimately sought to return to Western Australia and play for the Fremantle Dockers.

Each of McCarthy, Hill, Hamling and Kersten are in an age bracket that is appealing to us. They fit our list management model and will fill roles that are important to our club and team for the long-term.

It's exciting that not only will these four new and young players have the capacity to impact our 2017 season and beyond, but this pre-season will also see established players in Nathan Fyfe, Aaron Sandilands, Michael Johnson, Alex Pearce and Harley Bennell return from injury. All of these players are preparing to make an impact in 2017, which unfortunately they were unable to do in 2016 due to their long-term injuries.

We also added more young talent at the November AFL Draft via three selections in the first two rounds including pick seven.

ONE CONSEQUENCE OF NEW PLAYERS COMING IN IS THAT SOME PLAYERS HAVE TO MAKE WAY – HOW DIFFICULT IS THAT?

The off-season is always a very busy and challenging period in the football industry. There's plenty of work to do and one of the more difficult tasks is working through list management activities and making the tough, yet necessary calls on players. This is a job that our list management committee does not take lightly.

We cannot bring new, young talent to the club via the draft and trades without letting go players with great character and class who have played their role and have been such great contributors to our club – some of them for up to eight seasons.

Michael Barlow, Matt de Boer, Chris Mayne, Tendai Mzungu and

Clancee Pearce each played more than 100 AFL games for the club and contributed significantly both on and off the field.

Whilst they may not have played 100 games, Alex Silvagni and Anthony Morabito also leave us having made a valuable contribution to the club.

It is an emotional time and we thank them for their contribution to the club on and off the field. We have every confidence that these fine young men will be very successful as their attention turns to their future beyond Freo.

We also farewelled our greatest player in Matthew Pavlich in the round 23 win over the Western Bulldogs. Matthew's contribution both on and off the field is well recognised and his farewell speech at the Doig Medal appears on page 31 of this year book.

IS THE DEPARTURE OF PRESIDENT STEVE HARRIS A SIGNIFICANT ONE?

Steve identified more than 12 months ago that his work commitments would not allow for him to continue as president beyond 2016.

As a result, the board put a long-term plan in place for the transition to our new president in Dale Alcock, who has been on the board for five years.

Steve has been a first class president who has demonstrated elite leadership and shared great wisdom during his seven seasons as president of the club.

He has been at the helm during one of the most successful phases in the club's history and his contribution to the club and dedication to the role during that time cannot be understated.

We wish him well for the future and have no doubt that he'll be yelling "Go Freo!" from the stands.

THE MOVE TO THE NEW FACILITY AT COCKBURN CENTRAL WEST IS ONLY MONTHS AWAY, WHAT WILL THAT MEAN FOR THE CLUB IN THE LONG TERM?

It is a significant project and we are excited that we are on track to move in by March 2017.

It will be the best facility of its kind in the country and will greatly assist us in preparing our players and providing an environment for staff to get the best out of our playing group, but also service our members for the future.

In partnership with the City of Cockburn, we are anticipating in excess of one million visitors per year to the facility, which will be great for our brand. We hope our members take the time to get out



and visit the new facility once it opens to the public in early 2017.

We also encourage our members to visit our website to see the progress of this significant project.

WHAT PROGRESS HAS BEEN MADE WITH REGARDS TO THE NEW PERTH STADIUM AND NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE STATE GOVERNMENT?

I'm sure everyone who drives past the stadium during its construction can see it getting closer to completion and there is a real anticipation building to play in the new stadium in 2018.

It will be a world-class stadium and we're working to ensure that Fremantle members are put first. We continue to have productive discussions with the Government and the appointed operator VenuesLive and look forward to informing members of exactly what is available to them at the new stadium.

It's clear that members are looking forward to the transition to the new stadium and our 2017 members will benefit by having priority access for the 2018 season.


ASIDE FROM THE LARGE-SCALE PROJECTS ON THE HORIZON, WHAT ARE THE KEY THINGS FREMANTLE MEMBERS HAVE TO LOOK FORWARD TO IN 2017?

An eagerly anticipated event every year is the release of the AFL fixture. In late October we received our 2017 playing schedule and it is a very positive draw for our members and players.

We have some highly anticipated matches at home against all the big drawing Victorian clubs and, from that perspective, it's probably one of the best fixtures we've ever had at Domain Stadium.

Prior to the AFL season, we will have the first season of the inaugural AFL Women's league. The club worked very hard on its bid for a licence in the AFLW and it was extremely rewarding to be the successful WA club in the bid. A lot has gone in to recruiting players and staff in preparation for the season and we can't wait to see it unfold.

So there is plenty to look forward to, and I would like to thank all of our members, corporate partners and sponsors for their outstanding support of the football club.

I hope you all enjoy a happy and safe off-season, a period where our players and coaching team will be working incredibly hard to prepare for round one when we take on Geelong in the Starlight Purple Haze Game to kick off our last season at Domain Stadium. 

ROSS

LYON

Coming into 2016, we believed we had done the work to mount a strong and serious campaign, but we hit significant hurdles of form and injuries in the early rounds.

We adjusted appropriately to the reality of the season, and we focused on getting games into our development players. We saw the likes of Lachie Weller, Ed Langdon, Darcy Tucker, Ethan Hughes, Michael Apeness and Sam Collins grow to the point where we were able to salute in round 23, Matthew Pavlich's retirement game, over the now reigning premiers.

Their effort this year certainly helps fuel our self-belief going forward. If we apply ourselves in the manner required, we will be competitive over the ensuing years.

This young group were also significant performers in the Peel Thunder premiership, and their development will help us significantly in 2017.

At the end of the season, we said goodbye to many great servants of the club.

I would like to single out Tendai Mzungu, Matt de Boer, Clancee Pearce, Chris Mayne, Michael Barlow, Alex Silvagni and Matthew

Pavlich for the past five years.

From their character and work ethic to their relentless preparations and competing - they leave with all the respect and admiration I can muster.

It is hard to say goodbye. We will miss them.

I also want to acknowledge president Steve Harris, who leaves the club in great shape from where it was seven years ago.

Steve always believed and was always supportive. He was always present, even on the longest road trips. Really simply, Steve made me walk taller.

He is a really strong leader and we will miss him.

There are many positives to look forward to. We were thrilled when Ed Langdon committed to the club at the end of the season, and he said he has never been more excited.

Late in the year he was able to get up to 29 possessions per game, and you couldn't help but catch on to his enthusiasm.

When you hear these young players talk, you just know that we are going to be in really good shape in the future.

But there's also the return of injured bona fide team drivers such

as Nat Fyfe, Aaron Sandilands, Alex Pearce and Harley Bennell.

Complementing our list after a successful trade period, are four young West Australians in Cam McCarthy, Bradley Hill, Joel Hamling and Shane Kersten, and we see great possibility with them at our club.


We're also pleased to welcome a new member of the coaching team in Tom Morris, appointed as our high performance manager - coaching.

When we set out to fill this role, we were looking for a leader. Someone who is visionary and strategic. They have to be caring and they have to support and challenge.

They have to be strong under pressure and lead.

There is no doubt that in 2016 we moved too far from what we value and lost our on-field identity to an extent as a team.

The Western Bulldogs showed all in the competition what is possible if everyone commits and executes with an uncompromising passion.

Our belief is that we will realign to our values and embrace the mindset that anything is possible, and we will pursue excellence as we have done successfully in the past. 

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ROSS LYON



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FROM THE CAPTAIN



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DAVID MUNDY

It's been well documented that 2016 was a disappointing year for the club. As a first year captain, it was challenging at times, especially early in the season when I was out injured and could not directly affect the on-field fortunes of the club.

As the season progressed and the results were not going our way, the shift in focus was ensuring we as an organisation did not crumble and everyone remained growth oriented. Our firm goal was therefore to learn and use our circumstance to get more experience into the next generation.

Looking back, this season will be a valuable tool for us all, but especially for our younger players, which will put them in good stead for the future. These are lessons they can take throughout the pre-season to improve both the physical and mental side of their game to get ready for round one.

While the development and growth of the younger players was important, it was a bitter pill to swallow as a senior player - seeing the club get to a point where such a shift in focus was required.

Since Ross Lyon came to the club we have worked hard to develop our brand of footy and we got to a point where that was both intimidating and highly respected by the industry.

However, this year, in a bid to improve areas of our game that had been lacking, we at times went away from what our core values really are, which was

ultimately reflected in some poor performances during the year.

Moving forward, first and foremost, we as players will be focusing on what we want to stand for and ensuring we are ready to deliver at the standard we have become accustomed to over the previous four years.

We do not want to find ourselves in a similar situation again.

We want to drive our team back up the ladder.

From my first season as captain, I have to thank my leadership group of Matthew Pavlich, Aaron Sandilands, Nat Fyfe, Michael Johnson and Lee Spurr for their support and their ongoing contribution to the club and the playing group.

In the past we have had our six leadership group members playing regularly and performing at a high standard and this undoubtedly drives the team on the field. This year, we went through times with as few as two members of our leadership group on the field, at times resulting in a lack of direction.

Nat Fyfe, Michael Johnson and Aaron Sandilands missed a lot of football in 2016 and we are all keen to get them back on the field.

Regardless of individual performance, the leadership group will continue to work together as a collective to get the best out of every individual and the best out of the group.

We have already seen the club make changes as it looks to the future. Whether through form, injury or direction of the club, we have seen many great

contributors depart the club.

After seeing how they handled themselves in a frustrating season, players like Tendai Mzungu, Matt de Boer and Alex Silvagni, could not be held in a higher regard.

They are fantastic individuals and the way they have carried themselves throughout the year has been first class, I would like to thank them for their contribution to our football club.

Which leads to another departure, in the retiring Matthew Pavlich.

I have spoken to many people about Matthew's farewell game against the Western Bulldogs and whether affiliated with the club or not the consistent message was that it was the Fremantle of old. Our pressure around the football and the way we hunted the opposition was representative of the way we want to play and be renowned for.

To play like that for Matthew in our last game was fantastic. He told the group pre-game that it is not about what we say about him, it was about how we play for him on that day. I think he would be proud of a number of the guys, and it was a fitting way to finish the year and cap off a great career for Matthew.

I have been at Fremantle now for 12 seasons and I have spent my entire adult life at the club since moving over after finishing high school. Along with my family, the Fremantle Football Club has helped shape the person that I am.

I was proud to reach the 250 game milestone this season. When I came in to the club I was hoping just to play one! It is not something

you think about too much until you have finished, and can share it with your family.

On behalf of the entire playing group and the coaching team at Fremantle, thank-you to our members and supporters for your ongoing support this year, especially in sending off Matthew Pavlich in the fashion you did. It was absolutely incredible.

Throughout the summer we're going to be working hard to get back to where we want to be, so stick with us and although we can't guarantee success we can promise maximum effort from both the coaches and playing group. 📞

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DAVID MUNDY

CLUB OPERATIONS

On behalf of the entire club thank you to all Fremantle fans and members for your ongoing support of the Fremantle Dockers and being **#FOREVERFREQ**.



BUSINESS OPERATIONS MEMBERS AND FANS

2016 saw the club reaffirm its place as one of the biggest sporting clubs in the country, with a record 51,889 members signing up to be part of the Purple Army. In addition, almost 350,000 fans attended Fremantle home games in 2016, with the most popular matches being the Starlight Purple Haze Game in round 2, the Len Hall Tribute Game in round 5, our home Carlton Draught Derby in round 20 and Matthew Pavlich's farewell game in round 23.

Late in the season we commenced our planning for relocating members to the new Perth Stadium in 2018. We will continue to update all members and fans on the relocation process but the best way to guarantee your

seat at the Perth Stadium is to be a member in 2017.

EVENTS AND MATCH DAY

It was another exciting fixture this season, starting with our annual Starlight Purple Haze Game, proudly supported by Fremantle Ports, at our first home game of the year and culminating in Matthew Pavlich's final game for the Fremantle Dockers in round 23.

Off-field we hosted our first ever Fremantle Dockers Foundation Gala Ball at Crown Perth, with funds raised assisting with our upcoming move to the new elite training and administration facility at Cockburn Central West. The highlight of the evening saw the naming rights to Nathan Fyfe's number 7 locker at our new primary home base sell for \$35,000.

The season culminated with Lachie Neale being awarded his first Doig Medal. Other highlights from the evening at Crown Perth included a special presentation to all 2016 WAFL Premiership players from Peel Thunder and the moving retirement speech delivered by Matthew Pavlich.

Fremantle members and fans can look forward to next year with great expectation as we move to Cockburn Central West in early 2017. A range of events to launch the new facility are being planned, so make sure you keep updated via the club website for all the details.

MERCHANDISE

The team store at Domain Stadium continues to be a busy place on match days with our members and fans turning the arena into a sea of

purple with their Fremantle Dockers caps, scarves, beanies, jumpers and flags.

With the upcoming move to Cockburn Central West, we have the opportunity to launch a brand new team store at the new facility. Please keep up to date via the club website for the official launch date for the new store, including a range of member-only promotions.

COMMERCIAL PARTNERS

The club continued to enjoy strong corporate support across sponsorship and corporate partnerships divisions in 2016. We acknowledge the wonderful support of all our corporate partners, headlined by major sponsors Programmed and Woodside.

The club's sponsorship portfolio was further strengthened this year through the support of Beyond Bank, Choices Flooring, IGA, McDonald's, Solargain and WFI, all joining the club as sponsors for the first time in 2016. We were also pleased to confirm major sponsors Programmed and Woodside, as well as Choices Flooring, all extended their support to include the club's new AFL Women's team.

Our partners created many new fan engagement and match-day promotions throughout the season, including:

- » The introduction of the CUB Front Bar, where 30 lucky fans and members enjoyed seat upgrades each week into exclusive corporate seating with match-day hospitality
- » Virgin Australia ran the 'big seat upgrade' promotion, where 30 flights from WA to LA were delivered to fans and members
- » Our new banking partner Beyond Bank introduced Fremantle Dockers branded credit and debit cards
- » HBF delivered the Dockers Dash at every home game where the crowd willed on participants to race the LED signage for prizes
- » Programmed provided a facility face-lift for Wirrabirra Primary School
- » CUB supported the club's first live stream of the Doig Medal Presentation Dinner, allowing all of our fans access to this exclusive event.

The club would also like to acknowledge all of our corporate partners for their support of our fundraising initiatives for the Fremantle Dockers Foundation, including our annual online auction, our mid-season Gala Ball and our fundraising efforts for the club's new training and administration facility in Cockburn Central West. In particular, we would like acknowledge the Derby Club, the Kailis family, the Ricciardi family, Shelford Construction and ISC for their generous support.

As we enter an exciting phase for the club with the development of our new training and administration facility, the introduction of our new AFL Women's team and the development of the new Perth Stadium, we look forward to sharing and showcasing these new projects with all of our valued commercial partners in 2017.

FINANCE

Figures are not final at the time of publishing this report, and are subject to audit clearance, however



it is anticipated that the club will achieve a 14th consecutive annual operating profit. This result is a reflection of the ongoing strong support shown by our members, supporters, sponsors and corporate partners. Whilst achieving this expected operating profit, the club was also able to invest, advance and meet obligations in relation to key strategic financial areas throughout 2016 that will help establish the club as a leader within the industry in years to come. Key strategic projects over the coming period include:

- » Advancement in negotiations and planning, focusing on a "Members' First" strategy, with the State Government and AFL on the new Perth Stadium at Burswood, which is expected to be

operational for the 2018 season.

- » Finalisation of the new elite training and administration facility at Cockburn Central West in partnership with the City of Cockburn and establishing this facility as the platform for growth in club community initiatives and member interaction.
- » Continuation of the work undertaken by the Fremantle Dockers Foundation in supporting key community projects, junior programs, next generation academies, local charities and grass roots football.
- » Continued strong investment in our football operations and player payments to ensure that we have the best opportunity to attract and retain key players

and staff, enhance operations and drive team performance. This investment in the football department is part of the club's strategic direction to focus on delivering sustained on-field success.

- » Establishment of the club's inaugural team in the AFL Women's national competition, and assisting with driving game development of women's football in WA. The opportunity awarded to the club to represent WA in the inaugural league is a reflection on the investment and work undertaken by the club in supporting women's and junior girls football over the past decade.
- » Consideration and assessment of Fremantle Oval and the club's continued presence in Fremantle post the move to the new primary home base at Cockburn, which is expected to occur in early 2017.
- » Meeting our funding and investment obligations to the WA football community, highlighted by the forecast total contribution of \$5.8M to the WA Football Commission in 2016, which includes the committed payments relating to our partnership with Peel Thunder in the WAFL (where our players are hosted) and school / community program sponsorships in WA.
- » Negotiation and finalisation of AFL Funding, player Collective Bargaining Agreement, equalisation, taxes and competitive balance measures affecting the club in 2017 and beyond under the new AFL TV and media rights deal.



Fremantle hosted an NGA curtain raiser in 2016 before the round 23 clash against the Western Bulldogs at Domain Stadium.



STRATEGIC PROJECTS

It has been an exciting and busy year in Strategic Projects in 2016 with significant expansion in club operations through Fremantle's AFL Women's team, the continued construction of the new elite training and administration facility (ETAF) at Cockburn Central West, the further development of the Fremantle Dockers Foundation and continued discussions with the State Government in regards to Fremantle's future use of Perth Stadium. 2016 has also seen the ongoing operation and development

of the club's Community Goals program and the establishment of the Next Generation Academies for the development of up-and-coming footballers, with a focus on multicultural and indigenous players.

2017 looks to be busier again, with many of the strategic projects coming to life. February and March look to be especially exciting times with the club's move to the new ETAF and its participation in the inaugural AFL Women's League.

AFLW

This year saw the club successful in its bid to establish the only WA team

in the AFL Women's League (AFLW). Fremantle join Adelaide, Brisbane, Collingwood, Carlton, Greater Western Sydney, Melbourne and the Western Bulldogs as participants in the inaugural AFL Women's competition.

The competition, which will run across February and March 2017, promises to be exciting for both the development of women's football and the development of the Fremantle Dockers.

Senior coach Michelle Cowan has been on board since July and has worked with Wade Spilcker, national

women's league manager, to finalise the playing list and confirm key support positions, including assistant coaches and conditioning and medical staff.

We greatly welcome the support of key stakeholders in Curtin University, Subiaco SportsMed and the City of Cockburn and co-major sponsors Woodside and Programmed.

2017 promises to be a challenging and exciting year for women's football and the Fremantle Dockers AFLW team.

COMMUNITY GOALS

With more than 200,000 participants annually, the Community Goals program continues to be the club's key contact with the community and provides significant benefit to the community through school, community group and club events.

The move to the new ETAF in 2017 provides great opportunities for the club to grow its community footprint through Community Goals and we are in the process of planning new and exciting programs that Community Goals will deliver at the new ETAF.

We acknowledge the key partnership Community Goals has with SEDA (Sport Education Development Australia) with this partnership continuing to flourish and provide sporting and education opportunities to students across Perth.

NEXT GENERATION ACADEMIES

Development of the Next Generation Academies (NGA) continues with key multicultural programs conducted throughout November and December and a game against the West Coast Eagles Multicultural Academy at East Fremantle Oval on Saturday 10 December.

Planning also continues for our indigenous NGA programs in the Kimberley Region for 2017 and beyond.

ELITE TRAINING AND ADMINISTRATION FACILITY

While 2016 has been the most exciting year to date for the ETAF project, with construction moving quickly, it is likely to be quickly surpassed in 2017 with club operations moving to the new ETAF and the facility opening to the public early in the year.

The ETAF has recently reached some significant milestones with the construction of club facilities complete by builder Multiplex and the club taking possession of these facilities to commence fitout works and the first official training sessions held by both male and female FFC teams.

As mentioned, in early 2017 Fremantle will shift its primary club operations to the new facility and, in partnership with the City of Cockburn, establish what will be the biggest and best integrated and elite community facility in Australia and one of the best of its kind in the world. The facility will provide significant benefit to the club, its staff, players, members and supporters and the community at large and will become the benchmark for other facility developments across WA and Australia.

We look forward to providing the opportunity for all our members to have a look at the new facility once it officially opens.

Finally, we acknowledge the City of Cockburn for its involvement in this momentous project. The project would never have come to fruition without the foresight and wisdom of the City of Cockburn councillors led by mayor Logan Howlett and the executive team led by CEO Stephen Cain.

FUTURE OF FREMANTLE OVAL

Early 2017 looks to be an exciting time at Fremantle Oval with the venue likely to host the club's AFL Women's team first home game for the inaugural season. We encourage everyone to get down to Fremantle

Oval and support the women's team as it embarks on its first historic year.

Discussions and planning continue as to the future of Fremantle Oval once the club relocates its primary administration and training base to Cockburn Central West and we look forward to outlining these plans, including the club's ongoing presence in Fremantle, once complete.

FREMANTLE DOCKERS FOUNDATION

The Fremantle Dockers Foundation has also experienced some significant growth in 2016, with the first ever Fremantle Dockers Foundation round against Port Adelaide in round 13 and the Foundation Gala Ball on Saturday 16 July. Both events proved a huge success and provided members, supporters and the general public with a greater understanding of the

significant work undertaken by the foundation and the club with the community and, in particular, our charity partners and other groups supported by the foundation.

2016 saw the 14th annual Starlight Purple Haze Game, proudly supported by Fremantle Ports, raise a record \$189,904.45 for the Starlight Children's Foundation. We would like to sincerely thank the Dowson Family of Kalgoorlie and the Sirens supporter group for their wonderful fundraising efforts.

The Fremantle Dockers Foundation proudly partnered with the following organisations in 2016:

PRINCIPLE FRIENDS OF THE FOUNDATION

- » Starlight Children's Foundation
- » Redkite
- » Manna

ASSOCIATE FRIENDS OF THE FOUNDATION

- » Ability Centre
- » Constable Care
- » Esther Foundation
- » Ngala
- » Ronald McDonald House
- » Starkick
- » The Big Issue
- » Uni Camp for Kids
- » Yirra Yaakin

The club continues to seek your support for the Fremantle Dockers Foundation, in particular your financial support, through a donation to the Fremantle Dockers Foundation to allow for our continued work in the community as well as meeting the financial commitment to the new ETAF. 





SECURING OUR FUTURE

To be part of the Fremantle Dockers Foundation, make a tax deductible donation today at fremantlefc.com.au/foundation



NEW PERTH STADIUM

Fremantle's 2017 members will have first access to what the new Perth Stadium has to offer when the AFL season kicks off there in 2018.

Construction of the new Perth Stadium has progressed at a rapid rate, with the seating bowl now complete, creating a colosseum-like feel. Construction works in the surrounding stadium precinct, including the Perth Stadium train station, the second biggest train station in Perth, and the pedestrian bridge connecting the stadium to East Perth and the city are also progressing to plan. Discussions with the State Government and appointed Perth Stadium operator, VenuesLive, are continuing. We look forward to concluding these discussions which will allow the club to provide members and supporters with additional information as to the products and services available.

Perth Stadium is going to revolutionise the way West Australians watch live sport. It will be jam-packed with features designed to provide the ultimate immersion through entertainment, facilities and amenities and has everything you could want for the best live viewing experience in sport.

One of the premium product areas available to fans is the Sky

View Lounge. Located on Level 5, under the giant screen at the western end, it is designed to provide views over both the ground and the city.

The key is to not talk about seats that are similar or comparable to Domain Stadium - because they just aren't. There's not a bad seat in the house. There are good seats and better seats, but they're all good.

It's not just seating that is going to make Perth Stadium a world-class venue, with the two biggest stadium video screens in the southern hemisphere set to be installed.

But big screens are just the beginning of the interactive fan experience that awaits at Perth Stadium, with the venue set to be one of only a handful of grounds around the world to have the lighting built into the roof, rather than the traditional light towers.

And the lights will be LEDs, making them cheaper to run, more environmentally friendly and completely customisable.

The light stanchions will also act as a roof, with 85 per cent of seating undercover.

There are also new and improved facilities awaiting the Fremantle playing group, with a dedicated

change room warm-up area approximately six times bigger than the similar area at Domain Stadium.

With the ceiling about six metres high, it allows the players to undertake true kicking drills without hitting the roof. To put it in perspective, the floor area is roughly that of two-to-three cricket warm up nets.

One of the exciting aspects of this new facility is the opportunity for fans to get up close and personal with the players while they warm up, through the new Field Club. Fans will be able to stand on the boundary and watch the game, as well as enjoy food and beverages, plus watch the players in the rooms.

One of the most exciting features of the Field Club is the exclusive access to the post-match media conference. Glass walls will be pulled around the coaches' media area, but the audio will be played in the room, so you can watch the coaches speaking to the media live from the comfort of the bar. This is a true inner sanctum offering.

The coaches' boxes are also a brand new feature for football in WA. Both Fremantle and West Coast will have dedicated coaches' boxes that can be fitted out exactly

as each club requires. The visiting clubs will have access to a third coaches' box, meaning Ross Lyon and his team can leave the box set up exactly how they want it after each game.

These state-of-the-art facilities offer a range of benefits to both the fans and the football club, ensuring the most immersive experience available in professional sport in Australia. We can't wait to see you at the footy at Perth Stadium.

So renew your membership for 2017 to have guaranteed access to a seat at Perth Stadium in season 2018. 

TOP LEFT: Perth Stadium has been designed with the fan at the forefront of every decision. There is not a bad view in the house - in fact, this is the highest point you can watch the game from.

TOP RIGHT: In the United States, the Dallas Cowboys NFL franchise offers a similar product to Fremantle's Field Club option available at the new stadium.

BOTTOM LEFT: The two biggest stadium video screens in the southern hemisphere are set to be installed at the stadium.

BOTTOM RIGHT: An artists view from inside the Field Club where the coaches post match media conference will take place.



WELCOME

It was only a matter of time. The Fremantle Dockers are delighted to welcome an additional 28 footballers to the ranks, as well as coaching staff, in advance of the AFL Women's league launch in 2017.



The AFL's historic announcement was made on 15 June 2016. From the 13 clubs that submitted a bid, Fremantle were granted one of eight licences for the 2017 season.

Then club president Steve Harris said the development of the Fremantle Dockers AFL Women's team represented "a paradigm shift in the development of elite sport that involves the integration of female and male elite teams."

With the new league just eight months away, the club immediately went to work.

Freo made its first big appointment on 11 July 2016 by signing Michelle Cowan as senior coach. Cowan's resume is as long as it is impressive; coach of Melbourne's women's team since 2013, a former WAFL assistant coach, an AFL scout with Geelong, a State coach of the WA women's team and a former State cricketer and golfer.

But most importantly, Cowan brought a wealth of knowledge of the women's game to Freo, which was immediately put to use as Fremantle signed its two marquee players in Kara Donnellan and Kiara Bowers.

Sadly, the realities of elite sport arrived with another "first" for the club, as Kiara Bowers injured her ACL representing the Coastal Titans in the WAWFL semi-final against



Swan Districts, in August, all but ending her hopes of playing in the inaugural season.

But Fremantle bolstered its list in September, earning the signatures of priority signings Ebony Antonio and Kirby Bentley, as well as rookie selections Gabby O'Sullivan and Australian Olympian Kim Mickle.

As anticipation built for the inaugural national draft, the AFL unveiled the branding and naming for the league, with a symbolic "W" logo to go along with the league name; AFLW.

On 12 October 2016, Hayley Miller was honoured to be Fremantle's first draft selection, taken with pick

four. Seventeen other WA-based footballers had their dreams granted that day in a momentous occasion of celebration for the club and for women's football.

On Monday 31 October, Fremantle finalised its list, confirming the final four free agent selections – all from Western Australia, as Michelle Cowan submitted an entirely WA-based list for the inaugural season.

FREMANTLE'S INAUGURAL AFLW SQUAD

Taylah Angel

Ebony Antonio

Stacey Barr

Kirby Bentley

Emily Bonser

Kiara Bowers

Tayla Bresland

Stephanie Cain

Melissa Caulfield

Kelly Clinch

Cassie Davidson

Kara Donnellan

Lara Filocamo

Tarnica Golisano

Brianna Green

Tiah Haynes

Dana Hooker

Gemma Houghton

Amy Lavell

Akec Makur Chuot

Kim Mickle

Hayley Miller

Gabby O'Sullivan

Demi Okely

Kira Phillips

Taryn Priestly

Ashley Sharp

Belinda Smith



TO FREO

An active 2016 AFL Trade Period saw the club secure four talented young West Australians from other AFL clubs for the 2017 season.

CAM McCARTHY

Born on the same day as the first AFL game in Fremantle Dockers' history and growing up a fan, it was only fitting that Cam McCarthy would sign on for Freo during the 2016 AFL Trade Period.

Recruited from South Fremantle by GWS via pick 14 in the 2013 draft, McCarthy debuted in round 23 the following year and kicked 35 goals for GWS in 2015.

McCarthy is renowned for his athleticism, which will suit the expanses of Domain Stadium. Standing at 193 centimetres, the 2015 NAB Rising Star nominee will help fill the void left by retired legend Matthew Pavlich.



BRADLEY HILL

When Bradley Hill's older brother Stephen was drafted to Fremantle, the younger sibling instantly became a Freo fan.

As fate would have it, Hill would face Stephen in the 2013 Grand Final as a Hawk, and admitted to being a little bit emotional when Hawthorn prevailed.

Two more flags would follow as Bradley played an integral part in Hawthorn's three-peat. Hill kicked 58 goals in his 95 games for the club and developed into one of the league's premier line-breaking midfielders, much in the mould of brother Stephen.



JOEL HAMLING

Hailing from Broome, Joel Hamling continued a trend of young WA-based talent returning home to play for Freo during the 2016 AFL Trade Period.

Recruited from Claremont in the WAFL by Geelong in the 2011 National Draft, Hamling moved to the Western Bulldogs as a delisted free-agent in 2014. He made his AFL debut in 2015 against GWS in round nine and went on to win the Bulldogs' Best First Year Player award after playing 11 games that year.

Recalled to the side ahead of the Bulldogs' 2016 Premiership campaign, Hamling was instrumental in restricting West Coast's Josh Kennedy to two goals in the Elimination Final, before keeping Sydney's Lance Franklin to a single goal in the Grand Final, in just his 23rd game for the club.



SHANE KERSTEN

Shane Kersten was drafted by Geelong with pick 34 in the 2011 draft, just two picks after Joel Hamling, ensuring the pair remained close during their two years together in Geelong.

Kersten signed on as Freo's fourth recruit in the 2016 AFL Trade Period, joining his good friend Hamling at Fremantle.

With Geelong, Kersten kicked three goals in his debut game against Gold Coast in round 14, 2014. He spent his first two years playing in the Cats' VFL team, where he was the club's leading goal-kicker in 2012 and 2013.

The 191cm Kersten played an important role in Geelong's forward line in 2016, where he offered a second tall option for key target Tom Hawkins, kicking 22 goals from his 17 games.



FREMANTLE DOCKERS

YEAR	PRESIDENT	CEO	COACH	CAPTAIN	DOIG MEDALLIST
1995	Ross Kelly	David Hatt	Gerard Neesham	Ben Allan	Peter Mann
1996	Ross Kelly	David Hatt	Gerard Neesham	Ben Allan	Stephen O'Reilly
1997	Ross Kelly	David Hatt	Gerard Neesham	Peter Mann	Dale Kickett
1998	Ross Kelly/ Ross McLean	David Hatt	Gerard Neesham	Peter Mann	Jason Norrish
1999	Ross McLean	David Hatt	Damian Drum	Chris Bond	Adrian Fletcher
2000	Ross McLean	David Hatt	Damian Drum	Adrian Fletcher/ Shaun McManus	Troy Cook
2001	Ross McLean	David Hatt/ Cameron Schwab	Damian Drum/ Ben Allan	Adrian Fletcher/ Shaun McManus	Peter Bell
2002	Rick Hart	Cameron Schwab	Chris Connolly	Peter Bell	Matthew Pavlich
2003	Rick Hart	Cameron Schwab	Chris Connolly	Peter Bell	Peter Bell
2004	Rick Hart	Cameron Schwab	Chris Connolly	Peter Bell	Peter Bell
2005	Rick Hart	Cameron Schwab	Chris Connolly	Peter Bell	Matthew Pavlich
2006	Rick Hart	Cameron Schwab	Chris Connolly	Peter Bell	Matthew Pavlich
2007	Rick Hart	Cameron Schwab	Chris Connolly/ Mark Harvey	Matthew Pavlich	Matthew Pavlich
2008	Rick Hart	Cameron Schwab/ Steve Rosich	Mark Harvey	Matthew Pavlich	Matthew Pavlich
2009	Rick Hart	Steve Rosich	Mark Harvey	Matthew Pavlich	Aaron Sandilands
2010	Steve Harris	Steve Rosich	Mark Harvey	Matthew Pavlich	David Mundy
2011	Steve Harris	Steve Rosich	Mark Harvey	Matthew Pavlich	Matthew Pavlich
2012	Steve Harris	Steve Rosich	Ross Lyon	Matthew Pavlich	Ryan Crowley
2013	Steve Harris	Steve Rosich	Ross Lyon	Matthew Pavlich	Nathan Fyfe
2014	Steve Harris	Steve Rosich	Ross Lyon	Matthew Pavlich	Nathan Fyfe
2015	Steve Harris	Steve Rosich	Ross Lyon	Matthew Pavlich	Aaron Sandilands
2016	Steve Harris	Steve Rosich	Ross Lyon	David Mundy	Lachie Neale

COACHES				
COACH	GAMES	WINS	LOSSES	DRAW
Gerard Neesham (1995 - 1998)	88	32	56	0
Damian Drum (1999 - Round 9, 2001)	53	13	40	0
Ben Allan (Round 10 - 22, 2001)	13	2	11	0
Chris Connolly (2002 - Round 15, 2007)	129	67	62	0
Mark Harvey (Round 16, 2007 - 2011)	97	39	58	0
Ross Lyon (2012 - current)	119	71	47	1
LIFE MEMBERS				
MEMBER	POSITION	YEARS SERVICE	YEAR INDUCTED	
Ross Kelly	Chairman	1994-1998	1999	
Shane Parker	Player	1995 - 2007	2003	
Shaun McManus	Player	1995 - 2008	2004	
Matthew Pavlich	Player	2000 - 2016	2006	
Paul Hasleby	Player	2000 - 2010	2007	
James Walker	Player	1998 - 2007	2007	
Troy Cook	Player	2000 - 2007	2007	
Peter Bell	Player	1995, 2001 - 2008	2007	
Antoni Grover	Player	2001 - 2012	2009	
Rick Hart	President	2002 - 2009	2009	
Luke McPharlin	Player	2002 - 2015	2010	
Aaron Sandilands	Player	2003 - current	2010	
David Mundy	Player	2005 - current	2012	
Michael Johnson	Player	2005 - current	2013	
Ryan Crowley	Player	2005 - 2015	2013	
Dr Jeffrey Boyle	Physiotherapist	1995 - current	2013	
Dr Ken Withers	Doctor	1995 - current	2013	
Paul Duffield	Player	2006 - 2015	2014	
Ben Allan	Player, coach & administrator	1995 - 2015	2014	
Stephen Hill	Player	2009 - current	2015	
Garrick Ibbotson	Player	2005 - current	2015	
Chris Mayne	Player	2008 - 2016	2015	
FOR MORE CLUB RECORDS AND HISTORICAL INFORMATION VISIT FREMANTLEFC.COM.AU/HISTORY				

2016 AFL DEBUTS			
PLAYER	ROUND	OPPONENT	DATE
Darcy Tucker	5	Carlton	Sunday 24 April
Sam Collins	10	St Kilda	Saturday 28 May
Shane Yarran	18	Gold Coast	Saturday 23 July

2016 MILESTONES			
PLAYER	ROUND	OPPONENT	DATE
50 GAMES			
Tommy Sheridan	13	Port Adelaide	Saturday 18 June
Hayden Crozier	20	West Coast	Sunday 7 August
Alex Silvagni	20	West Coast	Sunday 7 August
100 GAMES			
Tendai Mzungu	8	Hawthorn	Saturday 14 May
Clancee Pearce	9	Richmond	Saturday 21 May
Lee Spurr	19	Sydney	Sunday 31 July
Zac Clarke	21	Adelaide	Sunday 14 August
250 GAMES			
David Mundy	22	GWS	Saturday 20 August
350 AFL GAMES			
Matthew Pavlich	19	Sydney	Sunday 31 July

MOST CONSECUTIVE GAMES			
Matthew Pavlich	160	Round 15, 2001 - Round 16, 2008	
David Mundy	124	Round 6, 2005 - Round 16, 2010	
Paul Hasleby	90	Round 1, 2002 - Round 1, 2006	
Troy Cook	88	Round 1, 2000 - Round 22, 2003	
James Walker	87	Round 10, 2001 - Round 7, 2005	
Paul Medhurst	85	Round 9, 2002 - Round 4, 2006	
Danyle Pearce	87	Round 8, 2012 - Round 21, 2015 (15 with Port)	
Shaun McManus	82	Round 19, 2000 - Round 11, 2004	
Peter Bell	79	Round 10, 2001 - Round 21, 2004	
Michael Johnson	78	Round 14, 2010 - Round 22, 2013	
Ryan Crowley	77	Round 21, 2011 - Semi Final, 2014	

HONOUR BOARD

BEACON AWARD	CLUBMAN	LEADING GOAL KICKER	MEMBERSHIP	H&A LADDER
Scott Chisholm	-	Peter Mann (33)	18,456	13th
Gavin Mitchell	-	Kingsley Hunter (33)	19,622	13th
Mark Gale	-	Kingsley Hunter (32)	19,949	12th
Brad Dodd	Chris Bond/ Jason Norrish	Clive Waterhouse (30)	22,186	15th
Clem Michael	Ashley Prescott	Tony Modra (71)	24,896	15th
Paul Hasleby	John Rankin	Clive Waterhouse (53)	24,925	12th
Dion Woods	Leigh Brown	Matthew Pavlich/Justin Longmuir (28)	23,898	16th
Paul Medhurst	Shaun McManus	Trent Croad (42)	23,775	13th
Graham Polak	Troy Longmuir	Paul Medhurst (50)	25,368	5th
Andrew Browne	Matthew Carr	Paul Medhurst (41)	32,780	9th
David Mundy	Troy Cook	Matthew Pavlich (61)	34,124	10th
Marcus Drum	Luke Webster	Matthew Pavlich (71)	35,666	3rd
Robert Warnock	Heath Black	Matthew Pavlich (72)	43,343	11th
Rhys Palmer	Luke Webster	Matthew Pavlich (67)	43,366	14th
Stephen Hill	Michael Johnson	Matthew Pavlich (28)	39,206	14th
Michael Barlow	Matthew de Boer	Matthew Pavlich (61)	40,069	6th
Tendai Mzungu	Matthew de Boer	Kepler Bradley/Chris Mayne (25)	42,762	11th
Lee Spurr	Tendai Mzungu	Matthew Pavlich (69)	42,918	7th
Cam Sutcliffe	Lee Spurr	Michael Walters (46)	44,035	3rd
Matt Taberner	Alex Silvagni	Hayden Ballantyne (49)	48,777	4th
Alex Pearce	Jonathon Griffin	Michael Walters (44)	51,522	1st
Lachie Weller	Aaron Sandilands	Michael Walters (36)	51,889	16th



BROWNLOW MEDAL	
Nathan Fyfe	2015

AFL RISING STAR	
Paul Hasleby	2000
Rhys Palmer	2008

ALL AUSTRALIAN	
Matthew Pavlich	2002, 2003, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008
Paul Hasleby	2003
Peter Bell	2003
Aaron Sandilands	2008, 2009, 2010, 2014
Luke McPharlin	2012
Michael Johnson	2013
Hayden Ballantyne	2014
Nathan Fyfe	2014, 2015
David Mundy	2015

FREMANTLE GAMES PLAYED	
Matthew Pavlich	353
David Mundy	251
Luke McPharlin	244
Aaron Sandilands	244
Shane Parker	238
Shaun McManus	228
Michael Johnson	209
Paul Hasleby	208
Antoni Grover	202
Ryan Crowley	188
Stephen Hill	172
Chris Mayne	172

FREMANTLE GOALS KICKED	
Matthew Pavlich	700
Jeff Farmer	224
Hayden Ballantyne	221
Chris Mayne	196
Clive Waterhouse	178
Michael Walters	177
Paul Medhurst	166
Justin Longmuir	166
Tony Modra	148
Paul Hasleby	131
Peter Bell	130
Des Headland	125

CAREER BROWNLOW VOTES	
Matthew Pavlich	126
Nathan Fyfe	110
Aaron Sandilands	82
Peter Bell	80
David Mundy	72
Paul Hasleby	67
Michael Barlow	48
Shaun McManus	42
Lachie Neale	38
Troy Cook	35
Stephen Hill	35
Adrian Fletcher	31



GAMES AS CAPTAIN	
Matthew Pavlich	189 (2007 - 2015)
Peter Bell	107 (2002 - 2006)
Shaun McManus	44 (2000, 2001)
Adrian Fletcher	44 (2000, 2001)
Peter Mann	40 (1997-1998)
Ben Allan	22 (1995-1996)
Chris Bond	19 (1999)
David Mundy	18 (2016)

CON REGAN MEMORIAL AWARD	
Beryl Regan, Chris Connolly	2007
Tony Buhagiar	2009
Peter 'Bink' Phillips	2014

PLAYERS AWARD	
Chris Mayne	2012
Ryan Crowley	2013
Nathan Fyfe	2014
Nathan Fyfe	2015
Lachie Neale	2016

CLUB FINALS RECORD	
Finals Played	15
Finals Wins	6
Finals Losses	9

AFLPA AWARDS	
MVP	
Nathan Fyfe	2014, 2015
BEST FIRST YEAR PLAYER	
Paul Hasleby	2000
Rhys Palmer	2008
Michael Barlow	2010
22UNDER22 TEAM	
Michael Walters	2013
Nathan Fyfe	2013
Lachie Neale	2015

FINALS PLAYED	
Matthew Pavlich	15
Aaron Sandilands	15
David Mundy	14
Ryan Crowley	12
Michael Johnson	11
Nathan Fyfe	11
Stephen Hill	11
Chris Mayne	11
Michael Walters	11
Matthew de Boer	10
Nick Suban	10
Michael Barlow	9
Paul Duffield	9
Luke McPharlin	9
Tendai Mzungu	9
Lee Spurr	9
Garrick Ibbotson	8
Hayden Ballantyne	8

TOP 5s



36
MICHAEL WALTERS

GOAL KICKERS

31
MATTHEW PAVLICH

26
HAYDEN BALLANTYNE

18
CHRIS MAYNE & MATT TABERNER

KICKING EFFICIENCY		
1.	Michael Apeness	100%
2.	Lee Spurr	80.7%
3.	Alex Silvagni	77.3%
4.	Sam Collins	76.4%
5.	Garrick Ibbotson	76.3%

CONTESTED MARKS		
1.	Matt Taberner	31
2.	Matthew Pavlich	26
3.	Chris Mayne	16
4.	Lee Spurr	15
5.	Michael Walters & Nathan Fyfe	12

GOAL ASSISTS		
1.	Matthew Pavlich, Chris Mayne & Michael Walters	14
4.	Stephen Hill	13
5.	Hayden Ballantyne & Lachie Weller	12

UNCONTESTED MARKS		
1.	Lee Spurr	132
2.	Cam Sutcliffe	107
3.	Chris Mayne	93
4.	Danyle Pearce	85
5.	Garrick Ibbotson & Lachie Neale	84

TOTAL DISPOSALS



737
LACHIE NEALE



522
STEPHEN HILL



478
DANYLE PEARCE

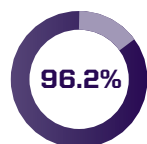


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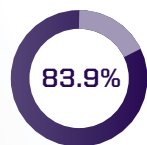


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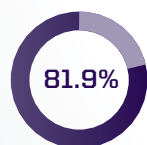
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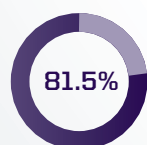
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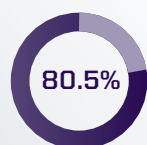
ZAC DAWSON



LEE SPURR



SAM COLLINS



ETHAN HUGHES

TOTAL KICKS

320

DANYLE PEARCE

289

LACHIE NEALE

244

LEE SPURR & MICHAEL WALTERS

332
STEPHEN HILL





TOTAL MARKS

109
CHRIS MAYNE

108
CAM SUTCLIFFE

94
GARRICK IBBOTSON

91
MICHAEL WALTERS

147
LEE SPURR

HIT-OUTS	
1. Jonathon Griffin	289
2. Zac Clarke	249
3. Aaron Sandilands	145
4. Connor Blakely	45
5. David Mundy	33

REBOUND 50s	
1. Lee Spurr	70
2. Danyle Pearce	61
3. Cam Sutcliffe	59
4. Stephen Hill	57
5. Tom Sheridan	54

CLEARANCES	
1. Lachie Neale	161
2. David Mundy	97
3. Stephen Hill	80
4. Connor Blakely	52
5. Michael Barlow	46

CONTESTED POSSESSIONS	
1. Lachie Neale	359
2. David Mundy	199
3. Stephen Hill	178
4. Michael Barlow	148
5. Michael Walters	146

UNCONT. POSSESSIONS	
1. Lachie Neale	375
2. Danyle Pearce	336
3. Stephen Hill	335
4. Tom Sheridan	298
5. Lee Spurr	293

HANDBALL EFFICIENCY	
1. Michael Apeness	94.1%
2. Hayden Crozier	89.7%
3. Zac Clarke	88.8%
4. Zac Dawson	88.3%
5. Sam Collins	88.2%

TACKLES	
1. Chris Mayne	119
2. Lachie Neale	101
3. David Mundy	83
4. Stephen Hill	81
5. Michael Barlow	79

RUNNING BOUNCES	
1. Danyle Pearce	23
2. Stephen Hill	19
3. Michael Walters	17
4. Hayden Ballantyne & Lachie Weller	9

SPOILS	
1. Zac Dawson	124
2. Sam Collins	80
3. Cam Sutcliffe	60
4. Alex Pearce	44
5. Jonathon Griffin & Zac Clarke	38

INSIDE 50s	
1. Danyle Pearce	97
2. Stephen Hill	96
3. Michael Walters	86
4. Lachie Neale	63
5. David Mundy	54

LOOSE BALL GETS	
1. Lachie Neale	84
2. Stephen Hill	72
3. Danyle Pearce	60
4. David Mundy & Michael Barlow	45

HARDBALL GETS	
1. Lachie Neale	166
2. David Mundy	90
3. Stephen Hill	71
4. Michael Barlow	68
5. Lachie Weller	63



HANDBALLS

LACHIE NEALE
features 11 times
in the top 5 lists,
more than any
other Freo
player

203
DAVID MUNDY

190
STEPHEN HILL

185
MICHAEL BARLOW

183
CHRIS MAYNE

448
LACHIE NEALE

2016 DOIG MEDAL

In front of nearly 1000 guests on Saturday 8 October at Crown Perth's Grand Ballroom, Fremantle youngster Lachie Neale claimed his first Doig Medal.

The 23-year-old had a standout year with 737 disposals from his 22 games, breaking Matthew Boyd's record for most disposals in a regular season since Champion Data started recording the stat in 1999.

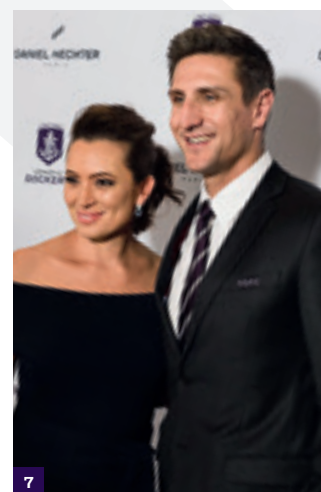
The evening was also highlighted by a final farewell to a legend of the club, Matthew Pavlich. The former skipper polled in the top-5 for the first time since 2012, with the 353-game player earning his 13th top-5 finish from 17 seasons of dedicated service.

On the final leaderboard, Neale polled 200 votes, 30 ahead of runner-up Stephen Hill, with Michael Walters (152), Pavlich (118) and Lee Spurr (116) rounding out the top five.

There was also a chance to honour the achievements of affiliate club Peel Thunder, who won their first WAFL Premiership in their 20th season. Each member of the Grand Final winning side was called onto the stage and awarded a commemorative Haigh & Hastings watch.

Emerging midfielder Lachie Weller won the Beacon Award, proudly sponsored by Programmed, as the club's best first or second year player. Weller featured in every match in 2016, averaging 20 disposals over his final six games of the year.

The recipient of the 2016 Best Clubman Award was Aaron Sandilands. Freo's lead ruckman may have only played five games in 2016, but the big-man's contribution to the playing group remained just as immense off the field.



- 1 Nat Fyfe and Elli Brashaw
- 2 Tommy Sheridan, Alex Pearce and Hayden Crozier
- 3 David and Sally Mundy
- 4 Kirsten Woods-Lyon and Ross Lyon
- 5 Doig Medallist Lachie Neale
- 6 Connor Blakely, Ed Langdon and Lachie Weller
- 7 Lauren and Matthew Pavlich



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DOIG MEDAL TOP 10

1	Lachie Neale	200
2	Stephen Hill	170
3	Michael Walters	152
4	Matthew Pavlich	118
5	Lee Spurr	116
6	Chris Mayne	99
7	Hayden Ballantyne	85
8	Michael Barlow	80
9	David Mundy	75
10	Tommy Sheridan	65

AWARDS

DOIG MEDAL Lachie Neale

BEST CLUBMAN Aaron Sandilands

BEACON AWARD Lachie Weller

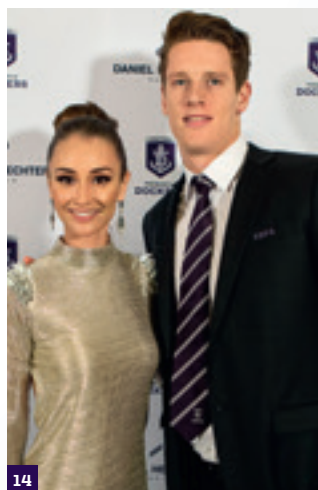
PLAYERS' AWARD Lachie Neale



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- 8 Nick and Bianca Suban, Sheena and Zac Dawson, Garrick Ibbotson and Sophie Cousins, Alyssa Hennessy and Hayden Ballantyne
- 9 AFLW player Gabby O'Sullivan and brother Tom O'Sullivan
- 10 Kaitlin and Jon Griffin
- 11 Lachie Weller and Nicola Hewitt
- 12 Tara and Danyle Pearce
- 13 Darcy Tucker and Ellie Morrish
- 14 Kaitlyn Gregory and Matt Taberner



LACHIE NEALE

A standout season saw Lachie Neale rise to stardom and win his first Doig Medal.

Every so often there is a performance so impressive, it can only be explained with numbers.

This is certainly the case with Lachie Neale in 2016.

The inside midfielder's 737 disposal season entered the record books as the highest tally of disposals in an AFL home and away season since 1999, when Champion Data started recording the statistic.

Neale was also a league leader with 359 contested possessions, and third for clearances with 161.

On five occasions, Neale recorded 40 possessions or more, peaking at 42 twice in rounds 11 and 18 against Essendon and Gold Coast.

Neale's possession count also exceeded 30 on 16 occasions.

But the most exciting numbers to Freo fans are 23 and three; Neale's age, and his contract extension in years – seeing the five-year player committed to the club until at least 2019.

It's safe to say that the best years are still ahead of Neale, but in

winning the 2016 Doig Medal, he could only think of his teammates and those who have been before.

"To be among some of the names that have won this award in the past is truly humbling," he said.

"I'm very proud to be awarded the medal this year.

"Although it was a disappointing season as a club, I know we can take a lot from it. There's a young brigade that we've got coming through, and also guys like Harley Balic who we haven't seen and Harley Bennell who hasn't pulled on the guernsey yet, so it's an exciting time."

In a successful night for Neale, he also collected the Players' Award as well as the McDonald's Fans' Most Valuable Player award, and Neale was thankful for all of the support from his coach, teammates and fans.

"Thank you to Ross (Lyon).

"We came to Fremantle at the same time together and without him I wouldn't be standing here," Neale said.

"He has been a huge influence on me both on and off the field.

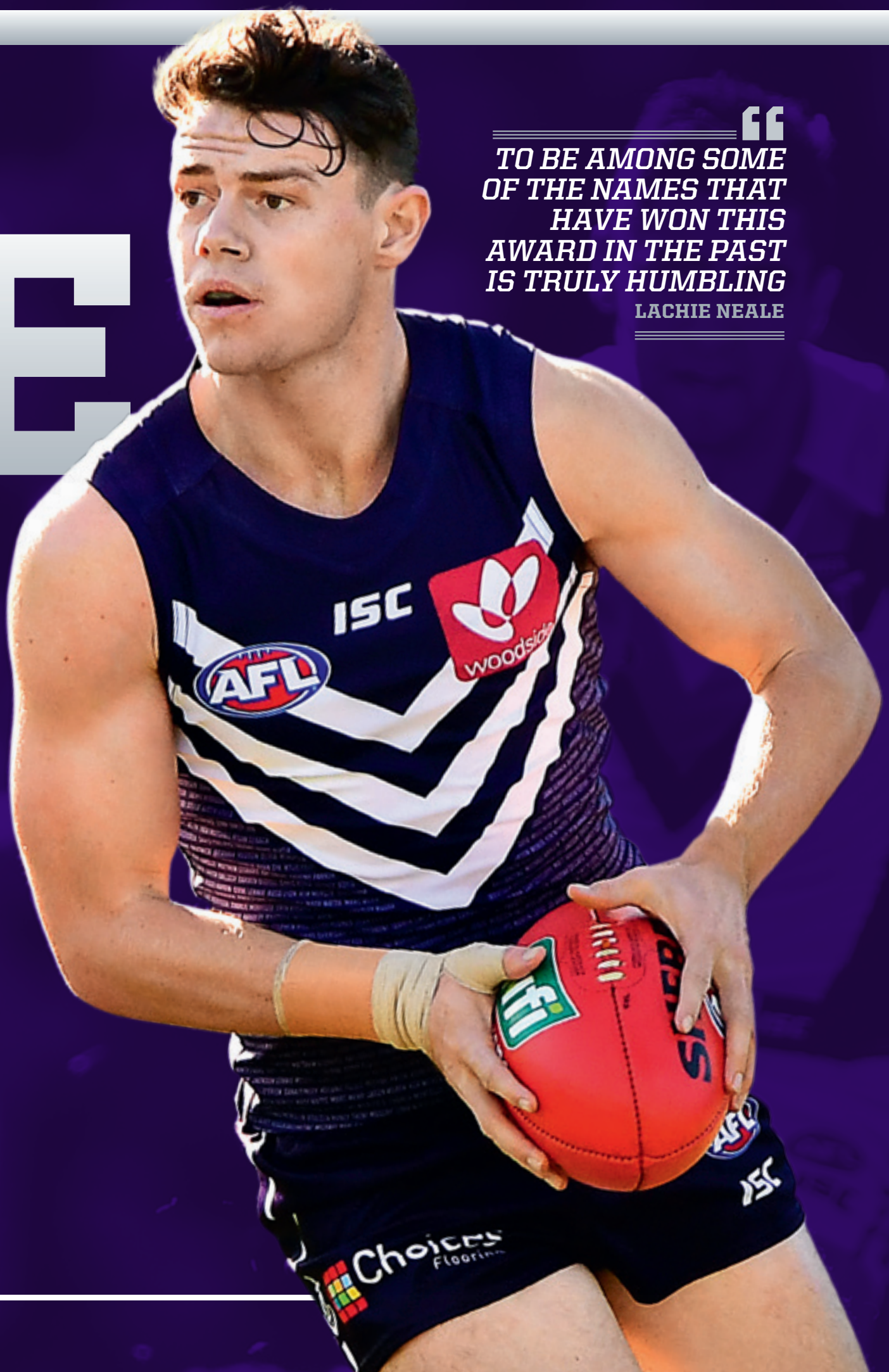
"To our supporters, thank you for your ongoing support, you've been fantastic and to the players it's been a hard year but I know this group's pretty resilient and we'll bounce back quickly."



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STEPHEN HILL

Hill remains at the top of his game with another standout season.

Stephen Hill was able to create an opportunity from adversity in 2016.

The 26-year-old was something of a quiet achiever through the centre of the ground for Fremantle, capping off a good year with a screamer over Western Bulldogs youngster Caleb Daniel at Domain Stadium in round 23.

In the absence of clearance specialists Nat Fyfe and, at times, Michael Barlow and David Mundy, Hill moved from the wing to an inside-mid role and flourished at the contest.

"I guess having some of the other guys like Fyfe out of the side it gave myself an opportunity to go inside the midfield," Hill said.

"I've really been able to grow that side of my game and that really helped me this year."

Hill finished the season with 522 disposals at a career best 24.9 per

game, was second at the club for inside 50s (96 at 4.6 per game), second for running bounces (19 at 0.9), third for clearances (80 at 3.8) and fourth for tackles (81 at 3.9).

Hill missed just one match in 2016 and was a central figure in a largely developing midfield cohort.

With 172 AFL games under his belt, Hill sees the importance of passing his experiences on to others as Fremantle's youth comes to the fore.

"I've been here for eight seasons now, and hopefully I can keep developing my leadership and help these younger guys coming through on and off the field," Hill said.

"We'll try to get away in the offseason and clear our heads a bit. We still have to train and prepare but it's good for us to get a mental break from footy."

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LACHIE WELLER

Weller feeling the love from Freo after stellar season.

Lachie Weller was almost too modest in accepting the award as Fremantle's best young player in 2016, a clear sign of his hunger to go on to big things at the club.

"I haven't done anything yet," claimed Weller after an extended highlights package suggested otherwise.

As injuries created some challenges for the side, the pacey youngster stepped up to be just one of six players to feature in every game in 2016.

Weller also received an AFL NAB Rising Star nomination for his 22-disposal, four-goal performance against Brisbane in round 12.

Throughout the season, Weller averaged just under 16 disposals per game, but the Tasmanian product found his groove later in the season, upping that average to more than 20 during the final six games.

The 20-year-old finished 2016 with 28 disposals against the Giants in round 22 and 26 touches against the Western Bulldogs in round 23.

This year Weller committed to play for Fremantle until the end of 2018 and his strong desire to form a crucial part of the midfield was telling in his speech, earning cheers from the many fans in attendance.

"To all of my teammates, I love playing with you guys and for the club too," Weller said.

"I love pulling on the purple every week and running out in front of you all.

"It was a tough season but there's no better feeling than pulling the jumper on and running down the race with your best mates and teammates.

"We're going to play so much football together and we're already creating a really good bond among the young players so it's great to see."

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TO ALL OF MY TEAMMATES,
I LOVE PLAYING WITH YOU
GUYS AND FOR THE CLUB TOO
LACHIE WELLER**





AARON SANDILANDS

Sandilands takes inspiration from another Freo great.

When Aaron Sandilands couldn't contribute to the club on the field, he was sure to do everything he could off it.

The hearts of Freo fans were in their mouths when, in round 3, Sandilands was carried away in an ambulance wearing an oxygen mask with broken ribs and a punctured lung.

Yet a painful recovery process didn't stop Sandilands fighting his way back into the side for three of the final four games.

During his time off the field, Sandilands remained completely focused on improving the playing group and the club as a whole. Never shying away from helping out when help was needed.

And he remained committed to his work in the community after giving more than a decade's service to the Starlight Children's Foundation as an ambassador.

When Sandilands addressed the attendees at the 2016 Doig Medal presentation, it was again all about his teammates.

"It's for the love of the game, you miss being out there with the 21 other guys who run out the race," said Sandilands about what kept him going through his recovery process.

"It's such a special game to be a part of and it's a special group that we play with, and that's what drives you."

After Matthew Pavlich gave his moving retirement speech, Sandilands commented that he expected big things outside of football from the Freo legend.

"He's a very special person, I said to him that he should be running for Prime Minister with the way he speaks," said Sandilands as the audience cheered in approval.

"He's going to be sorely missed and I don't think we'll realise how important he is and how much he's driven this group until we walk through the door on day one."

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AARON SANDILANDS



MATTHEW PAVLICH



So I am retired, I am done, it's officially over. Since my last game I haven't given any thought to playing again.

If asked, would I choose to play one more time, yes, of course I would.

Even if you ask me, four thousand, four hundred or forty days into retirement, my answer would always be yes.

It's the gladiatorial nature of players that says yes. It's the emotional answer to one last game.

We are absolute suckers AFL players. Always willing to risk it one more time for the chance of glory.

One last time together with your team mates in that dressing room, one more wait to head up that race together as one, the anticipation, the passion, that connection, that emotion always draws me back in.

All reasonable and rational thought would dissipate, and before I know it my boots would be on.

There is no reason, no perspective when asked if I would play one more time on say Grand Final day. It would be like asking Bruce McAvaney if he likes Cyril Rioli.

I feel absolutely privileged to have played as long as I did. I am one of the lucky few in life who was able to live out his childhood dream on a daily basis.

Yes it was work, but they say if you love what you do, you'll never do a moment's work.

But that doesn't mean I haven't had many challenges along the way.

Dad once told me that failure cannot cope with perseverance.

If you persevere and remain steadfast, no matter your setbacks or genetic disadvantages, anyone can achieve, he said.

With that advice ringing in my ears, it has often been about defying the odds and fighting back.

I have long admired that about AFL players. Despite the setbacks, despite the external noise or the inner doubts - I have seen many teammates and

opposition players have a self-belief that defies logic and a work ethic that members of society would crave to have at their disposal.

Both are absolutely critical to succeed.

For me, even being there this year to help guide the club for 2017 and beyond was absolutely meaningful.

Even with the challenges we faced, the true character of people and their actions shine bright when things are at their hardest.

It's been another chapter in a lifetime of memories, lessons and experiences that I'll take with me into the next phase of my life.

As players, we have experienced and seen things only the rare few do, lived an absolute privileged life and sacred existence.

There are so many things I will never forget.

I'll never forget my first ever game at the WACA, the infamous 2001 demolition derby, our first ever finals experience against Essendon at Subiaco in 2003, the debacle that was the Sirengate affair in 2006 down in Launceston or the club's first finals win in 2006 against Melbourne at Subiaco Oval, and that year's nine-game winning streak.

Then there was the 2010 season, when we saw the emergence of Hill, Fyfe, Suban, de Boer, Morabito and Walters.

That saw a young team win a final against Hawthorn.

And who of course can forget that first half and famous victory in the 2011 elimination final over reigning premiers Geelong at the MCG.

Finally, I'll never forget the 2013 qualifying final against Geelong.

The odds were against us and with the normal blustery conditions that greet you at the sleepy hollow, it was always going to be a massive challenge.

The advantage of the usual hostile and intimidating crowd, compounded after we started the game poorly, yet we all dug in.

The momentum changed in the fourth. After an inspired Aaron Sandilands fist and a perfectly timed interchange by Lachie Neale, Stephen Hill went on a five-bounce run to kick a goal and seal an extraordinary team performance that we will never forget.

And then of course, there was my last game against the Western Bulldogs in round 23. Where I was at ease with myself, I was ready and I was done.

I know that I'll never again be able to live out my boyhood dream at the highest level. Just saying that takes a lot and it is quite a cathartic experience.

The siren has sounded, my time is up, the sponge is bone dry. Absolutely nothing is left.

But don't feel sad for me because I am not. I am content and I am fulfilled, and I say fulfilled without having a flag.

Yes, 2013 was a missed opportunity and so too was last year's home preliminary final against Hawthorn.

I can't deny it when I look at those games that there is some regret.

Particularly the Grand Final, and how we executed with ball-in-hand and particularly in front of goal.

Fifteen points seems very, very close upon reflection, but the sun came up the next day.

Whilst that result still stings and sits in the guts of those players who played, it wasn't the end of the world.

And ultimately it will not define my time at Freo, or my time in the game or how I will live my life from now on.

It's been very important to me, football. But it is just a game. It will not define me.

In attempting to channel some Kipling, when met with triumph or disaster I've always tried to treat those imposters all the same.

But if that is all that mattered, if that's all 17-years of hard work and effort has meant, then I should stand in front of you here shattered. But I am not.

I believe I helped plant a tree, along with some of the other players. A tree that has borne some fruit over the past few seasons and will bear much more in the future as a new owner takes over the paddock as we each pass through.

Given that we each pass through, that's all one can do, try to leave an indelible mark and move on.

So then, the next phase is pretty much upon me. The initial plan is to not be involved with the club and not too heavily involved in football. It is time to rip the band-aid off, make a clean-cut, change track to a life in business and potentially some media.

But I don't think the game will ever be too far away. I love it too much.

And even though the emotional brain would say yes to one more game, I know that it is over.

I came to Fremantle without knowing a soul here in Perth, not one person. I leave with a family.

Both literally with Lauren and the kids, as well as spiritually with the club and everyone else in the room that bleeds purple.

So this is my final farewell, this is the last time I will ever stand here as a Fremantle Dockers player.

I sit on the other side of the fence now, I will be watching and of course I will be supporting.

Thank you very much for the ride, thank you for being there with me and go the Dockers. 🦁

PEEL PREMIERS



It was a grand year for our affiliate club as Peel Thunder secured a maiden premiership in their 20th year in the WAFL.

Peel finished the regular season in fourth place with an 11-9 record, going on to win three finals to qualify for the Grand Final.

In the premiership clash at Domain Stadium, Peel emerged as 23-point winners over Subiaco, the back-to-back reigning premiers.

Big-bodied Fremantle midfielders starred, with Matt de Boer (30 possessions) and Connor Blakely (38 possessions, five marks) outstanding in the clinches, while Ed Langdon (39 possessions, eight marks) and Tendai Mzungu (30 possessions, seven marks) provided run all day.

After playing in Subiaco's premiership side in 2014 and 2015, Shane Yarran starred for Peel with five goals while captain Gerald Ugle kicked three of his own.

For Peel, a team that had only previously played in one final series in their history, winning the flag was a significant step.

Blakely, who won the Simpson Medal as the best on ground, was under no illusions about what the win meant to the Peel faithful.

"We all went down to Peel (that night) and the crowd there was unbelievable," he said.

"Just the raw emotion of (Peel CEO) Johnny Ditchburn and Cam Shepherd.

"It means a lot to the Peel Thunder Football Club and the Peel community as well."

"We'll take a lot from playing in the WAFL finals series and obviously it will help a lot for Fremantle in the future."

The connection between Fremantle and Peel Thunder is well and truly fortified, according to Peel senior coach Cam Shepherd.

"It's a great win for the footy club. I feel pretty good but I'm really pleased for our players. It's been a long hard battle but I've really admired how these guys have fronted up for the footy club.

"Fremantle finished at the end of August and if there had not been the will or the want, then this would not have happened, the bond between the two groups is really strong and I thought that was indicative of how we played.

"We're really pleased with the young Peel players as well, and we're excited to be developing them so we can taste more success next year."

“IT MEANS A LOT TO THE PEEL THUNDER FOOTBALL CLUB AND THE PEEL COMMUNITY AS WELL

CONNOR BLAKELY



SEASON REVIEW



ROUND 1

Saturday 19 March
Rushton Park

PEEL THUNDER 10.14 (74)
Subiaco 12.10 (82)

Overview

Goals: H. Bennell 4
Disposals: C. Pearce 32

ROUND 2

Saturday 26 March
Rushton Park

PEEL THUNDER 11.7 (73)
East Fremantle 9.16 (70)

Overview

Goals: Smith 4
Disposals: de Boer 34

ROUND 3

Saturday 2 April
Steel Blue Oval

Swan Districts 6.6 (42)
PEEL THUNDER 11.28 (94)

Overview

Goals: Taberner, Uebergang,
Tucker 2
Disposals: O'Brien* 33

ROUND 4

Saturday 9 April
Rushton Park

PEEL THUNDER 11.8 (74)
East Perth 15.14 (104)

Overview

Goals: Taberner, Crozier 3
Disposals: O'Brien* 33

ROUND 5 - BYE

ROUND 6

Saturday 23 April
Leederville Oval

Claremont 8.14 (62)
PEEL THUNDER 11.17 (83)

Overview

Goals: O'Brien*, Deluca 2
Disposals: de Boer 36



ROUND 7

Saturday 30 April
Rushton Park

PEEL THUNDER 19.9 (123)
Perth 7.4 (46)

Overview

Goals: Uebergang, Yarran,
Suban, Ugle* 3
Disposals: C. Pearce 30

ROUND 8

Saturday 7 May
HBF Arena

West Perth 8.10 (58)
PEEL THUNDER 5.11 (41)

Overview

Goals: Smith 2
Disposals: C. Pearce 35

ROUND 9

Saturday 14 May
Fremantle Oval

South Fremantle 16.11 (107)
PEEL THUNDER 9.12 (66)

Overview

Goals: Apeness 2
Disposals: Barlow,
de Boer 39

ROUND 10

Saturday 21 May
Rushton Park

PEEL THUNDER 5.9 (39)
East Perth 3.7 (25)

Overview

Goals: Barlow 3
Disposals: Barlow 44

ROUND 11

Saturday 28 May
East Fremantle Oval

East Fremantle 7.10 (52)
PEEL THUNDER 11.12 (78)

Overview

Goals: Apeness, Deluca, Ugle*,
McGowan* 2
Disposals: Tucker 29

ROUND 12

Sunday 5 June
Domain Stadium

Subiaco 10.10 (70)
PEEL THUNDER 11.8 (74)

Overview

Goals: Bell* 3
Disposals: de Boer 36

ROUND 13

Sunday 19 June
Rushton Park

PEEL THUNDER 10.9 (69)
South Fremantle 15.11 (101)

Overview

Goals: Langdon 5
Disposals: O'Brien* 31

ROUND 14

Saturday 25 June
Rushton Park

PEEL THUNDER 12.7 (79)
Swan Districts 18.10 (118)

Overview

Goals: Dowding*, Bell*, Collard*,
Mathers* 2
Disposals: O'Brien* 38

ROUND 15 - BYE

ROUND 16

Saturday 9 July
Rushton Park

PEEL THUNDER 1.5 (11)
West Perth 8.7 (55)

Overview

Goals: Milward* 1
Disposals: O'Brien* 30



FREMANTLE LISTED PLAYERS WHO PLAYED FOR PEEL THUNDER IN 2016

PLAYER	GAMES
Josh Deluca	23
Jack Hannath	17
Ryan Nyhuis	17
Matt de Boer	16
Ethan Hughes	15
Tendai Mzungu	14
Sam Collins	14
Anthony Morabito	14
Darcy Tucker	13
Clancee Pearce	13
Tanner Smith	13
Matthew Uebergang	12
Zac Clarke	11
Ed Langdon	11
Connor Blakely	9
Shane Yarran	9
Nick Suban	9
Brady Grey	9
Alex Silvagni	9
Michael Apeness	9
Jon Griffin	8
Harley Balic	5
Hayden Crozier	3
Matt Taberner	3
Michael Barlow	2
Alex Pearce	2
Garrick Ibbotson	2
Lachie Weller	2
Cam Sutcliffe	1
Harley Bennell	1
Sean Hurley	1



ROUND 17

Saturday 16 July
East Fremantle Oval

East Fremantle 3.8 (26)
PEEL THUNDER 10.9 (69)

Overview

Goals: Milward* 3
Disposals: O'Brien* 32

ROUND 18

Saturday 23 July
Cunderdin

Perth 9.7 (61)
PEEL THUNDER 10.12 (72)

Overview

Goals: Apeness, Bell* 2
Disposals: O'Brien* 29

ROUND 19

Saturday 30 July
Rushton Park

PEEL THUNDER 10.7 (67)
Claremont 17.10 (112)

Overview

Goals: Apeness 5
Disposals: C. Pearce, Blakely 31

ROUND 20

Saturday 6 August
Leederville Oval

East Perth 7.11 (53)
PEEL THUNDER 13.11 (89)

Overview

Goals: Hannath, Taberner, Griffin, T.Bennell* 2
Disposals: de Boer 39

ROUND 21 - BYE

ROUND 22

Saturday 20 August
Rushton Park

PEEL THUNDER 12.4 (76)
Subiaco 13.15 (93)

Overview

Goals: Bell* 5
Disposals: de Boer 33

ROUND 23

Saturday 27 August
Show Grounds

Claremont 6.9 (45)
PEEL THUNDER 10.10 (70)

Overview

Goals: Hannath, Smith, Lawler*, Ugle* 2
Disposals: Mzungu, O'Brien* 34

ELIMINATION FINAL

Sunday 4 September
Rushton Park

PEEL THUNDER 12.14 (86)
East Perth 5.7 (37)

Overview

Goals: Yarran 3
Disposals: de Boer 31

1ST SEMI FINAL

Sunday 11 September
HBF Arena

West Perth 7.3 (45)
PEEL THUNDER 15.15 (105)

Overview

Goals: Ugle* 4
Disposals: Blakely 35

PRELIMINARY FINAL

Sunday 18 September
Fremantle Oval

South Fremantle 10.10 (70)
PEEL THUNDER 16.13 (109)

Overview

Goals: O'Brien*, Bell*, Ugle*, Yarran, de Boer 2
Disposals: Blakely 42

GRAND FINAL

Sunday 25 September
Domain Stadium

Subiaco 8.8 (56)
PEEL THUNDER 11.13 (79)

Overview

Goals: Yarran 5
Disposals: Langdon 39

*Peel listed player



2016 ROUN SEASON



DBYROUND REVIEW

ROUND 1

v WESTERN BULLDOGS

SUNDAY 27 MARCH, 1.10PM, ETIHAD STADIUM

FREMANTLE

0.2 1.5 4.7 5.8 (38)

WESTERN BULLDOGS

7.1 9.7 10.11 15.13 (103)

OVERVIEW

Under blue skies at Etihad Stadium, Fremantle were dealt their first opening round loss since 2009, a defeat which also came at the hands of the Western Bulldogs. The Dogs were ruthless in the opening term, getting on the scoreboard after just 20 seconds via a Marcus Bontempelli goal, and going on to kick seven majors while keeping Fremantle to just two points by quarter time. Three straight second half goals to Taberner, Weller and Pavlich pulled Fremantle within 34 points after trailing by 50 at half time, but the Bulldogs closed with the final five majors to get their eventual Premiership season away on a winning note.

KEY STATS

Goals: Suban, Walters, Pavlich, Taberner, Weller

Disposals: Neale 32

Marks: Sheridan 11

Tackles: Ballantyne 5

UMPIRES

O'Gorman, Meredith, Ryan

OFFICIAL CROWD

27,832

INJURIES

Clarke (knee)

REPORTS

Matthew Pavlich (Frem) reported for rough conduct on Easton Wood (WB) in the second quarter



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THEY WERE UP FOR
A STREET FIGHT AND
WE WERE UP FOR A
NICE SUNDAY STROLL

ROSS LYON

ROUND 2

v GOLD COAST

SATURDAY 2 APRIL, 4.40PM, DOMAIN STADIUM



FREMANTLE

4.4 6.7 11.10 14.16 (100)

GOLD COAST

4.3 11.6 16.9 19.12 (126)

OVERVIEW

A vintage Nat Fyfe performance wasn't enough to prevent Fremantle from an upset loss at home to the Gold Coast Suns. In his first Domain Stadium appearance since winning the 2015 Brownlow Medal, Fyfe raked in 34 possessions and kicked three goals, while Hayden Ballantyne was Freo's biggest contributor up front with four straight majors. Sandilands dominated the ruck, winning 48 hit-outs while Gold Coast combined for just 21. However, the Suns won the clearances 43-32 on their way to their first win against Fremantle.

KEY STATS

Goals: Ballantyne 4

Disposals: Fyfe 34

Marks: Spurr 9

Tackles: Hill 7

INJURIES

Nil

REPORTS

Nil

UMPIRES

Bannister, Dalgleish,
Schmitt

OFFICIAL CROWD

34,208

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**WE SIT HERE
DISAPPOINTED,
WE'RE CERTAINLY
NOT BOWED**

ROSS LYON



ROUND 3

v WEST COAST

SATURDAY 9 APRIL, 5.40PM, DOMAIN STADIUM

FREMANTLE

3.3 3.7 4.10 8.11 (59)

WEST COAST

2.1 4.7 7.11 12.20 (92)

OVERVIEW

In wet conditions Fremantle lost Carlton Draught Derby 43 by 33 points in a hard fought game against West Coast. Freo's season was dealt another setback with Aaron Sandilands suffering broken ribs and a punctured lung in a marking contest, leaving youngster Alex Pearce to pinch-hit in the ruck. Freo rallied late to pull within five points during the final quarter, thanks in part to some magic from Matthew Pavlich, who kicked a check-side goal from the pocket to send the "away" fans into raptures.

KEY STATS

Goals: Pavlich 3
Disposals: Neale, Fyfe 26
Marks: D. Pearce, Spurr, Ibbotson 8
Tackles: Fyfe 10

INJURIES

Sandilands (ribs)

REPORTS

Nil

UMPIRES

Foot, Farmer, Rosebury

OFFICIAL CROWD

40,555



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 POINTS AFTER WE MADE
 SO MANY MISTAKES, I WAS
 REALLY PROUD OF THE
 WAY THEY FOUGHT ON

ROSS LYON

ROUND 4

v NORTH MELBOURNE

SUNDAY 17 APRIL, 4.40PM, ETIHAD STADIUM

FREMANTLE

2.7 7.12 12.14 14.17 (101)

NORTH MELBOURNE

5.4 10.6 14.9 20.12 (132)

OVERVIEW

Fremantle were on the back foot early against North Melbourne at Etihad Stadium, conceding the opening four goals on top of eight of the last 10 as the Kangaroos ran out 31-point winners. There were plenty of highlights for Fremantle, including a best on ground performance by Nat Fyfe, who was instrumental in seeing Freo pull ahead half-way through the third term. Fyfe had 27 disposals, four goals and was rewarded with three Brownlow votes, while Neale continued his hot start to the season with 35 touches.

KEY STATS

Goals: Fyfe 4

Disposals: Neale 35

Marks: Spurr 9

Tackles: Barlow 9

OFFICIAL CROWD

23,393

MILESTONES

Zac Dawson

150 AFL games

INJURIES

Nil

REPORTS

Nil

UMPIRES

Bannister, Dalgleish,
Schmitt



“
WE WANT TO FIGHT ON.
I THINK WE HAVE SOME
BETTER FOOTY IN US

ROSS LYON

ROUND 5

v CARLTON

SUNDAY 24 APRIL, 2.15PM, DOMAIN STADIUM



FREMANTLE

2.5 4.8 6.12 9.14 (68)

CARLTON

2.5 4.9 6.10 10.12 (72)

OVERVIEW

It was a battle between the AFL's two winless sides in 2016, and Carlton prevailed by four points in a scrappy contest at Domain Stadium. The defeat was almost secondary to the loss of Nat Fyfe for the season, who spent the entire second half on the bench after fracturing his left leg. Brady Grey was a shining light on a disappointing day for Freo, picking up 16 possessions and 10 tackles in his first game at Domain Stadium, while Michael Barlow also kept the pressure on the Blues with 14 tackles and Lachie Neale earned three Brownlow votes with his 35 disposal effort.

KEY STATS

Goals: Walters, Crozier 2
Disposals: Neale 35
Marks: Neale 10
Tackles: Barlow 14

INJURIES

Fyfe (leg),
 Johnson (knee),
 Ballantyne (thigh)

REPORTS

Nil

UMPIRES

Farmer, Hay, Wallace

OFFICIAL CROWD

34,796

DEBUT

Darcy Tucker

“

WE'RE REALLY CONCERNED IN RELATION TO WHERE FYFE'S GOT HIS PLATE IN HIS BROKEN LEG

ROSS LYON

ROUND 6

v ADELAIDE

SATURDAY 30 APRIL, 1.40PM, ADELAIDE OVAL

FREMANTLE

1.3 2.11 3.14 8.16 (64)

ADELAIDE

2.4 5.5 9.10 14.13 (97)

OVERVIEW

Fremantle were left to rue some missed opportunities in a 33-point defeat to the Crows at Adelaide Oval. Freo dominated most of the early play, but went into half time trailing by 12 points with a 2.11 total. After missing three weeks through injury, captain David Mundy was instrumental as a loose man in defence. Lachie Neale continued to rake in the possessions (40) while Walters starred up front with three goals and a career high 29 disposals.

KEY STATS

Goals: Walters 3

Disposals: Neale 40

Marks: Mayne, Taberner, Sutcliffe, Spurr 7

Tackles: Barlow 8

UMPIRES

Farmer, Hosking, Ryan

OFFICIAL CROWD

47,423

INJURIES

Nil

REPORTS

Nil



“

I'M REALLY ENTHUSIASTIC
ABOUT IMPROVING OUR
FOOTBALL AND GROWING
YOUNG PLAYERS

ROSS LYON

ROUND 7

v GWS GIANTS

SATURDAY 7 MAY, 6.10PM, DOMAIN STADIUM

FREMANTLE

5.1 7.2 9.8 11.11 (77)

GWS GIANTS

5.1 10.4 13.6 14.11 (95)

OVERVIEW

An 18-point loss to the high-flying Giants saw GWS earn their first ever win at Domain Stadium. The Giants lived up to their name by booting 11 of their 14 goals from the stoppages. However, Jon Griffin put up a valiant effort by matching the towering Shane Mumford's hit-out total of 41. It was another game of wasted opportunities as Fremantle won the inside 50 count by six, including seven deliveries by Danyle Pearce and six by Michael Walters. Lachie Neale won plenty of the ball with 18 contested possessions in his total of 33, earning two Brownlow votes.

KEY STATS

Goals: Mayne 3

Disposals: Neale 33

Marks: Ibbotson 8

Tackles: Spurr 9

INJURIES

Nil

REPORTS

Nil

UMPIRES

Brown, Meredith,
Findlay

OFFICIAL CROWD

28,201



“
WHEN WE WENT FORWARD WE
WERE SCORING A BIT BUT BY
THE SAME TOKEN THEY KICKED
A LOT OF EASY STOPPAGE GOALS

ROSS LYON

ROUND 8

v HAWTHORN

SATURDAY 14 MAY, 2.10PM, AURORA STADIUM

FREMANTLE

3.0 7.2 7.4 11.9 (75)

HAWTHORN

4.3 6.6 14.13 17.14 (116)

OVERVIEW

Fremantle looked poised to pull off their first win of the season against Hawthorn, but the reigning premiers kicked eight unanswered goals in the third quarter to cruise to their 17th straight win in Launceston. Hayden Ballantyne did his best to spur his side on, dodging two Hawks defenders to kick an almost impossible goal from the forward pocket and send Freo into the lead late in the second quarter. Michael Walters led the way on the scoreboard with two straight majors while Lachie Neale was a ball magnet with 30 handballs in his 38 disposals.

KEY STATS

Goals: Walters 2

Disposals: Neale 38

Marks: Taberner 7

Tackles: Mayne 9

INJURIES

Hill (leg)

REPORTS

Nil

UMPIRES

Edwards, Pannell,
Mollison

OFFICIAL CROWD

12,012

MILESTONES

Tendai Mzungu
100 games



“OUR SPIRIT IS REALLY GOOD AND OUR YOUNG PLAYERS... I THOUGHT THERE WAS SOME REAL GROWTH

ROSS LYON

ROUND 9

v RICHMOND

SATURDAY 21 MAY, 5.40PM, DOMAIN STADIUM

FREMANTLE

1.1 2.3 5.7 6.9 (45)

RICHMOND

2.3 6.10 9.10 11.17 (83)

OVERVIEW

Fremantle had no answer for the wind, rain or the Richmond Tigers, falling by 38 points at Domain Stadium in stormy conditions. Lachie Neale dominated in the midfield with 37 touches, while Hayden Ballantyne booted three majors, including a miracle floater from 40m out on the boundary. Connor Blakely was a standout with 22 disposals and seven tackles in the fifth game of his career. Sadly, another promising youngster in Alex Pearce suffered a setback after a broken tibia ended his season.

KEY STATS

Goals: Ballantyne 3

Disposals: Neale 37

Marks: Neale 7

Tackles: Neale 9

OFFICIAL CROWD

20,184

MILESTONES

Clancee Pearce

100 games

INJURIES

A. Pearce (leg),
Mundy (calf)

REPORTS

Zac Dawson (Frem) reported for striking Steven Morris (Rich) in the third quarter

UMPIRES

Chamberlain,
Fisher, Donlon



“

IT WILL OBVIOUSLY BE THE SEASON (FOR ALEX). IT'S REALLY, REALLY UPSETTING

ROSS LYON



ROUND 10

v ST KILDA

SATURDAY 28 MAY, 4.35PM, ETIHAD STADIUM

FREMANTLE

3.0 7.1 10.4 10.7 (67)

ST KILDA

5.4 6.8 7.9 15.11 (101)

OVERVIEW

A bizarre game of goal streaks saw St Kilda pull away to earn a 34-point win at Etihad Stadium. The Saints kicked four unanswered goals to start the game but Freo would eventually pull in front, kicking six straight from late in second quarter to Matt Taberner's 16th minute goal in the third. That goal would be Fremantle's last for the day as the Saints ran riot, kicking the last nine. Lachie Neale and Connor Blakely were again impressive while youth provided most of the scoring up front with Lachie Weller, Ed Langdon and Matt Taberner Freo's multiple goal kickers.

KEY STATS

Goals: Taberner, Weller, Langdon 2
Disposals: Neale 31
Marks: Crozier 10
Tackles: Pavlich 8

INJURIES

Sutcliffe (ankle)

REPORTS

Nil

UMPIRES

Donlon, Stephens, Edwards

OFFICIAL CROWD

17,927

DEBUT

Sam Collins



“
WHEN YOU HAVE A START
LIKE WE DID TO GET BACK
IN THE GAME...IT TAKES A
FAIR BIT OUT OF YOU

ROSS LYON

ROUND 11

v ESSENDON

SATURDAY 4 JUNE, 5.40PM, DOMAIN STADIUM

FREMANTLE

5.1 11.2 18.4 20.6 (126)

ESSENDON

1.3 3.4 4.7 6.11 (47)

OVERVIEW

Thirteen different goal-kickers contributed to Freo's 79 point win, with Matthew Pavlich, Michael Walters and Chris Mayne all pitching in with three each. Lachie Neale and Tommy Sheridan had season-high disposal counts with 42 and 30 respectively while Connor Blakeley earned a NAB AFL Rising Star nomination with 25 touches and seven tackles. The injury of Essendon's Ryan Crowley, a 188-game player for Fremantle, provided fans with a cathartic moment, as they cheered the Fremantle life member from the ground in what turned out to be his last game of AFL.

KEY STATS

Goals: Pavlich, Mayne, Walters 3

Disposals: Neale 42

Marks: Crozier 14

Tackles: Suban 9

INJURIES

Apeness (collar bone)

REPORTS

Nil

UMPIRES

Ryan, Foot, Dalgleish

OFFICIAL CROWD

31,199



“
WE’LL MOVE ON
PRETTY QUICKLY
FROM HERE. WE’VE
GOT A BIG TRIP
(TO BRISBANE), SO
THAT’S ANOTHER
CHALLENGE

ROSS LYON

ROUND 12

v BRISBANE

SATURDAY 11 JUNE, 4.35PM, THE GABBA

FREMANTLE

3.3 12.3 18.7 23.9 (147)

BRISBANE

3.3 4.6 7.6 9.10 (64)

OVERVIEW

A five-goal haul by Matt Taberner saw Fremantle run riot in an 80-point thumping of the Brisbane Lions at the Gabba. The opening three goals went to Brisbane but it was all Fremantle from there on, pulling back to level the scores at quarter time and kicking nine goals to the Lions' one in the second term. There were records all round for Freo's youth brigade, with Lachie Weller earning a NAB AFL Rising Star nomination with a career best haul of four goals, while Connor Blakely reeled in 29 disposals.

KEY STATS

Goals: Taberner 5

Disposals: Blakely 29

Marks: Taberner, Hill, Barlow, Spurr 8

Tackles: Mayne 9

UMPIRES

O'Gorman, Findlay, Ryan

OFFICIAL CROWD

12,899

INJURIES

Nil

REPORTS

Nil



“
WE CAME OUT TO COMPETE, AND
WE CAME OUT TO IMPROVE, AND WE
THOUGHT WE DID THAT TONIGHT

ROSS LYON

ROUND 13

v PORT ADELAIDE

SATURDAY 18 JUNE, 2.35PM, DOMAIN STADIUM

FREMANTLE

2.3 5.8 11.9 12.14 (86)

PORT ADELAIDE

3.3 4.6 9.12 9.15 (69)

OVERVIEW

Michael Barlow put on a masterclass and Matthew Pavlich was at his vintage best as Fremantle notched up their third straight win. Barlow put up career best numbers with 43 disposals, while keeping the pressure on Port Adelaide with eight tackles and minimising the impact of dangerous Power midfielder Robbie Gray. Pavlich kicked four majors to keep his career total ticking towards 700 goals, while Barlow added two of his own.

KEY STATS

Goals: Pavlich 4

Disposals: Barlow 43

Marks: Spurr 9

Tackles: Barlow 8

OFFICIAL CROWD

32,448

MILESTONES

Tommy Sheridan
50 games

INJURIES

Smith (Hamstring)

REPORTS

Nil

UMPIRES

Margetts, Hosking,
Mollison, McNerney



“

OUR TRADEMARK EFFORT,
INTENSITY, AND RESILIENCE
UNDER SOME ADVERSITY AT
TIMES WAS PLEASING

ROSS LYON

ROUND 14

v COLLINGWOOD

FRIDAY 24 JUNE, 7.50PM, MCG

FREMANTLE

0.1 1.4 3.5 5.7 (37)

COLLINGWOOD

3.4 7.8 7.10 12.13 (85)

OVERVIEW

Freo's hot run of three straight wins was cooled in icy conditions on a Friday night at the MCG. With the mercury dropping to six degrees it took until the third term for Fremantle to find their groove, turning a 40-point half-time deficit to get within 22 points early in the fourth term. The Michaels of Barlow and Walters were the standouts with 31 and 28 disposals respectively while Hayden Crozier put up another solid display in defence on a difficult evening for Fremantle.

KEY STATS

Goals: Pavlich, Ballantyne 2

Disposals: Barlow 31

Marks: Walters, Collins 6

Tackles: Suban 10

UMPIRES

Stephens, Ryan, Pannell, Mitchell

OFFICIAL CROWD

20,320

INJURIES

Nil

REPORTS

Nil



“
AT HALF-TIME WE
JUST SET IT UP TO
COMPETE AND WERE
ACCOUNTABLE ALL
OVER THE GROUND

ROSS LYON

ROUND 15: BYE

ROUND 16

v MELBOURNE

SATURDAY 9 JULY, 7.10PM, TIO STADIUM

FREMANTLE

2.0 3.1 7.4 8.7 (55)

MELBOURNE

6.5 9.8 11.1 12.15 (87)

OVERVIEW

It was destination Darwin after the mid-year bye but the Demons took the spoils on a warm evening at TIO Stadium. Matt Taberner helped Freo get the jump on the Dees with a goal after a minute but Melbourne took the ascendancy from there. Three goals to Matthew Pavlich and two to Chris Mayne helped Freo close the gap after half time while Lachie Neale was on the mark in the midfield with nine clearances and 33 disposals at an efficiency of 85 per cent. In defence, Hayden Crozier and Garrick Ibbotson combined for 15 marks.

KEY STATS

Goals: Pavlich 3**Disposals:** Neale 33**Marks:** Crozier 8**Tackles:** Neale 8

UMPIRES

Margetts, Ryan,
Mitchell

OFFICIAL CROWD

8,163

INJURIES

Mundy (concussion)

REPORTS

Lachie Weller (Frem) reported for high contact against Jayden Hunt (Melb)



“

WHEN THE GAME WAS UP
FOR GRABS WE JUST LOOKED
RIGHT OFF THE PACE

ROSS LYON



ROUND 17

v GEELONG

FRIDAY 15 JULY, 6.10PM, DOMAIN STADIUM

FREMANTLE

4.1 7.2 7.3 9.7 (61)

GEELONG

1.3 6.7 8.11 11.12 (78)

OVERVIEW

Fremantle led for the bulk of the opening half, but a stellar performance from eventual Brownlow medallist Patrick Dangerfield stood between Freo and an upset win over Geelong. Stephen Hill's pace helped deliver five inside 50s, while he collected 37 disposals in a performance that earned two Brownlow votes. Captain David Mundy led from the front with an all-round performance that featured 24 disposals, eight tackles and a goal. Michael Barlow went down in the third quarter after injuring his AC while contesting a ground ball, coming off the ground in what would be his last game for Fremantle.

KEY STATS

Goals: Pavlich, Walters, Barlow, Ballantyne, Blakely, Weller, Taberner, Sutcliffe, Mundy
Disposals: Hill 37
Marks: Sutcliffe, Pavlich 6
Tackles: Mundy 8

INJURIES

Barlow (shoulder),
Ballantyne (cheekbone)

REPORTS

Nil

UMPIRES

Margetts, Findlay,
Mitchell

OFFICIAL CROWD

31,042



“
GEELONG JUST HAD A BIT
MORE ‘OOMPH’ WHEN
THEY REALLY NEEDED IT

ROSS LYON

ROUND 18

v GOLD COAST

SATURDAY 23 JULY, 2.10PM, METRICON STADIUM

FREMANTLE

3.0 9.5 10.6 12.9 (81)

GOLD COAST

5.2 8.3 12.7 16.9 (105)

OVERVIEW

The Suns certainly shone as the temperature reached 28 degrees on a warm day for footy at Metricon Stadium. Lachie Neale was just as hot with 10 clearances and racking up 42 disposals to equal his best numbers for the season. Michael Walters was perfect in front of goal with four straight goals. Danyle Pearce helped create chances with nine inside 50s alongside his 25 disposals. Shane Yarran contributed with a goal on debut as a 27-year-old mature-aged recruit.

KEY STATS

Goals: Walters 4

Disposals: Neale 42

Marks: Mundy,
D. Pearce 8

Tackles: Griffin,
Sheridan, Walters 5

INJURIES

Nil

REPORTS

Nil

UMPIRES

Stephens, Edwards,
Jeffery

OFFICIAL CROWD

8,933

DEBUT

Shane Yarran



“

**REALLY SIMPLY, WE'RE LEAVING
TOO MUCH TO TOO FEW, WE NEED
A FEW TO BUY-IN**

ROSS LYON

ROUND 19

v SYDNEY

SUNDAY 31 JULY, 1.20PM, DOMAIN STADIUM

FREMANTLE

1.0 3.2 4.3 7.5 (47)

SYDNEY

3.7 7.7 15.9 21.11 (137)

OVERVIEW

History was made at Domain Stadium as Matthew Pavlich became the first Fremantle Docker to reach the 350-game milestone, but the action on the field went all Sydney's way. David Mundy did his best to honour the occasion, collecting 44 disposals, 24 of which were contested. Pavlich led the way up front, selflessly setting up Matt Taberner for Freo's opener and Mundy for their second. The final term provided some much needed highlights as Walters flew high on the wing to earn a mark of the year nomination. Pavlich added two late goals of his own and was later carried off by Mundy and Chris Mayne to the roar of the Freo faithful.

KEY STATS

Goals: Pavlich 2

Disposals: Mundy 44

Marks: Crozier 10

Tackles: Tucker, Mayne 10

OFFICIAL CROWD

32,401

MILESTONES

Matthew Pavlich
350 games, Lee Spurr
100 games

INJURIES

Nil

REPORTS

Zac Dawson (Fre) reported for rough conduct on Jake Lloyd (Syd) in the final quarter

UMPIRES

Dalgleish, Ryan, Wallace



“

FOR MATTHEW AND LEE
WE WOULD HAVE LIKED A
BETTER PERFORMANCE

ROSS LYON

ROUND 20

v WEST COAST

SUNDAY 7 AUGUST, 2.40PM, DOMAIN STADIUM

FREMANTLE

3.2 5.6 7.7 9.10 (64)

WEST COAST

2.2 7.5 12.7 17.8 (110)

OVERVIEW

A spirited start wasn't enough to get Fremantle over the line against their cross-town rivals in Carlton Draught Derby 44. Shane Yarran opened the scoring and added another in the second half while Stephen Hill extended his strong run of form against West Coast, delivering seven inside 50s from his 30 disposals. Lee Spurr was again strong in defence with 10 marks and 12 kicks from his 22 disposal performance.

KEY STATS

Goals: Pavlich, Sheridan, Yarran 2
Disposals: Hill 30
Marks: Spurr 10
Tackles: Mundy 7

INJURIES

Nil

REPORTS

Nil

UMPIRES

Margetts, Kamolins, Fleer

OFFICIAL CROWD

36,215

MILESTONES

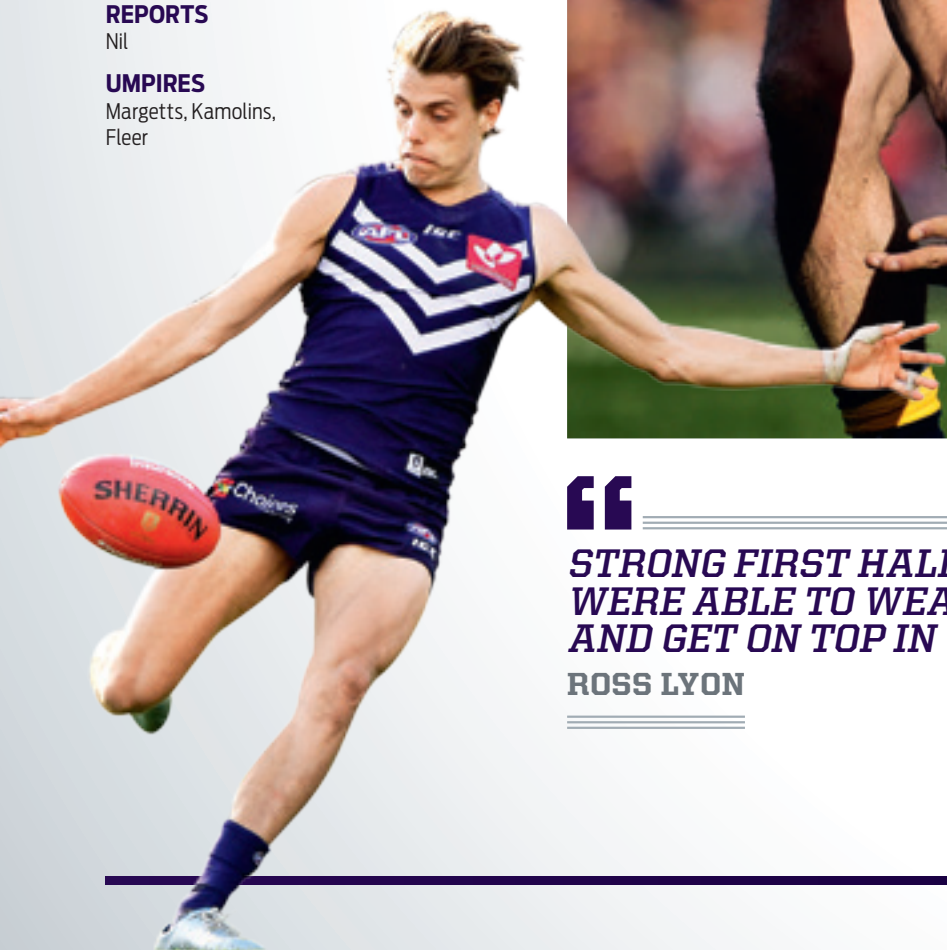
Hayden Crozier
 50 games
 Alex Silvagni
 50 games



“

STRONG FIRST HALF, I THOUGHT. THEY WERE ABLE TO WEAR US RIGHT DOWN AND GET ON TOP IN THE END

ROSS LYON



ROUND 21

v ADELAIDE

SUNDAY 14 AUGUST, 2.40PM, DOMAIN STADIUM



“

**WE PLAYED A VERY
GOOD FOOTBALL
TEAM, I THOUGHT
OUR ENDEAVOUR
WAS REALLY STRONG**

ROSS LYON

FREMANTLE

2.1 6.2 7.3 11.4 (70)

ADELAIDE

4.4 10.9 16.10 21.16 (142)

OVERVIEW

Fremantle had no answers for the Adelaide Crows who ran away with the game in a high-scoring affair at Domain Stadium. Michael Walters shone in spite of the Crows' dominance, kicking a bag of five goals for the first time in his career. Hill (32) and Neale (31) once again found themselves at the top of Freo's disposal count, while youngsters Ed Langdon and Connor Blakeley combined for 49 touches.

KEY STATS

Goals: Walters 5
Disposals: Hill 32
Marks: Ibbotson 6
Tackles: Blakeley 8

INJURIES

Sandilands (glute)

REPORTS

Nil

UMPIRES

Farmer, Dalgleish,
Stephens

OFFICIAL CROWD

30,116

MILESTONES

Zac Clarke 100 games

ROUND 22

v GWS GIANTS

SATURDAY 20 AUGUST, 4.35PM, SPOTLESS STADIUM

FREMANTLE

4.3 5.5 5.6 5.7 (37)

GWS GIANTS

5.4 8.7 12.10 19.15 (129)

OVERVIEW

GWS dealt Fremantle their biggest loss of the year at Spotless Stadium, putting a dampener on the 250-game celebrations of captain David Mundy. Lachie Neale continued to have the ball on a string with 40 touches, standing out to earn a Brownlow vote among an assortment of strong individual Giant performances. Shane Yarran gave Freo some life early with three majors in the first quarter, leaving Joel Patfull in his wake with some blistering pace to slot through the opening goal.

KEY STATS

Goals: Yarran 3

Disposals: Neale 40

Marks: Spurr 11

Tackles: Neale 12

INJURIES

Nil

REPORTS

Nil

UMPIRES

O'Gorman, Fleer, Jeffery

OFFICIAL CROWD

9,556

MILESTONES

David Mundy

250 games



“

WE WERE REALLY POSITIVE AT HALF-TIME, BUT THEY RAMPED IT UP AND WE WEREN'T ABLE TO GO WITH THEM

ROSS LYON



ROUND 23

v WESTERN BULLDOGS

SUNDAY 28 AUGUST, 2.40PM, DOMAIN STADIUM

FREMANTLE

4.1 7.2 9.3 10.9 (69)

WESTERN BULLDOGS

2.4 4.9 6.12 6.13 (49)

OVERVIEW

Fremantle upset the Western Bulldogs at Domain Stadium in a fitting farewell to their greatest ever player. There were jubilant scenes in the opening term as Shane Yarran set up an open Matthew Pavlich in the goalsquare, who launched his 700th career goal into the stands as he celebrated the milestone in his 353rd and final AFL game. Lachie Neale (36), Danyle Pearce (31) and Stephen Hill (30) lead the way with high possession games in the midfield while Garrick Ibbotson stood tall down back with 14 marks. After the final siren all eyes were on Pavlich, who did a lap of honour as the 34,765 fans in attendance said goodbye with a standing ovation.

KEY STATS

Goals: Walters 2

Disposals: Neale 36

Marks: Ibbotson 14

Tackles: Mundy,
de Boer 6

INJURIES

Nil

REPORTS

Nil

UMPIRES

Dalglish, O'Gorman,
Findlay

OFFICIAL CROWD

34,765



“
I THINK OVER TIME THE
LEGEND WILL ONLY GROW,
WON'T IT? MATTHEW
GOES OUT WITH PETROL
IN THE TANK, WHICH IS
THE WAY IT SHOULD BE

ROSS LYON



FREMANTLE
DOCKERS

PLAYER

2016 STATISTICS



PROFILES

AND SUMMARIES



1 HAYDEN BALLANTYNE

DATE OF BIRTH: 16/07/1987

2016 GAMES: 20

CAREER GAMES: 141

2016 GOALS: 26

CAREER GOALS: 221

2016 SEASON

Disposals per game: 12.2

Cont. possessions per game: 5

Uncont possessions per game: 7.3

Disposal efficiency: 67.9%

Marks per game: 3.2

Tackles per game: 3

SUMMARY

Another solid season which saw an uptick in most statistical categories. Finished 7th in the Doig Medal in his 8th year at the club.



2 ANTHONY MORABITO

DATE OF BIRTH: 29/10/1991

2016 GAMES: 0

CAREER GAMES: 26

2016 GOALS: 0

CAREER GOALS: 14

SUMMARY

Played 14 WAFL games for Peel but injured his quad muscle in the Thunder's Elimination Final. Was delisted at the end of the season after an injury ravaged career.



3 ZAC DAWSON

DATE OF BIRTH: 22/02/1986

2016 GAMES: 18

CAREER GAMES: 164

2016 GOALS: 0

CAREER GOALS: 7

2016 SEASON

Disposals per game: 8.6

Cont. possessions per game: 4

Uncont. possessions per game: 5.1

Disposal efficiency: 83.9%

Marks per game: 2.9

Tackles per game: 1.8

SUMMARY

Played a crucial role down back and shored up Fremantle's injury-plagued defence, missing just four games in 2016.

4 HARLEY BENNELL

DATE OF BIRTH: 02/10/1992

2016 GAMES: 0

CAREER GAMES: 81

2016 GOALS: 0

CAREER GOALS: 92

SUMMARY

A high-profile signing at the end of the 2015 season, Bennell injured his calf in Peel's round one match and was ruled out for the entire season.



5 GARRICK IBBOTSON

DATE OF BIRTH: 15/03/1988

2016 GAMES: 16

CAREER GAMES: 167

2016 GOALS: 0

CAREER GOALS: 22

2016 SEASON

Disposals per game: 15.8

Cont. possessions per game: 4.8

Uncont. possessions per game: 11.4

Disposal efficiency: 78.3%

Marks per game: 5.9

Tackles per game: 1.8

SUMMARY

Solid in defence, ranking third at the club for marks per game (5.9). Instrumental in Fremantle's round 23 win against the Western Bulldogs, earning two Brownlow votes.



6 DANYLE PEARCE

DATE OF BIRTH: 07/04/1986

2016 GAMES: 22

CAREER GAMES: 248

2016 GOALS: 4

CAREER GOALS: 123

2016 SEASON

Disposals per game: 21.7

Cont. possessions per game: 6

Uncont. possessions per game: 15.3

Disposal efficiency: 71.3%

Marks per game: 3.9

Tackles per game: 2.3

SUMMARY

Played all 22 games in 2016 and showed plenty of run and carry throughout, leading the club in inside 50s (97) and bounces (23).

7 NAT FYFE

DATE OF BIRTH: 18/09/1991
2016 GAMES: 5
CAREER GAMES: 117

2016 GOALS: 9
CAREER GOALS: 104

2016 SEASON

Disposals per game: 23.4
Cont. possessions per game: 14.2
Uncont. possessions per game: 9.2
Disposal efficiency: 71.8%
Marks per game: 4.2
Tackles per game: 5.2

SUMMARY

Fyfe's highly anticipated season was sadly cut short in round 5, when the reigning Brownlow Medallist fractured his left leg against Carlton. A week prior, Fyfe was best on ground against North Melbourne.



8 NICK SUBAN

DATE OF BIRTH: 09/05/1990
2016 GAMES: 15
CAREER GAMES: 144

2016 GOALS: 4
CAREER GOALS: 56

2016 SEASON

Disposals per game: 13.1
Cont. possessions per game: 5.9
Uncont. possessions per game: 7.5
Disposal efficiency: 74%
Marks per game: 1.8
Tackles per game: 4.9

SUMMARY

Increased his average contested possession, disposal efficiency and tackles against his 2015 numbers. Played nine games for Peel, including all finals in their Premiership season.

9 MATT DE BOER

DATE OF BIRTH: 10/03/1990
2016 GAMES: 4
CAREER GAMES: 138

2016 GOALS: 1
CAREER GOALS: 48

2016 SEASON

Disposals per game: 15
Cont. possessions per game: 5.8
Uncont. possessions per game: 9.8
Disposal efficiency: 85%
Marks per game: 2.8
Tackles per game: 6.8

SUMMARY

De Boer arrived from Claremont after being selected in the 2008

rookie draft, playing 138 games over eight seasons. De Boer was an influential member of the side, voted as the Best Clubman in 2010 and 2011. With Peel Thunder, de Boer finished runner-up in the Sandover Medal despite appearing in only 12 regular season games. His 100th career AFL game came in the famous 2013 Preliminary Final win over Sydney.



10 MICHAEL WALTERS

DATE OF BIRTH: 07/01/1991

2016 GAMES: 22

CAREER GAMES: 94

2016 GOALS: 36

CAREER GOALS: 177

2016 SEASON

Disposals per game: 18.2

Cont. possessions per game: 6.6

Uncont. possessions per game: 11.9

Disposal efficiency: 69.6%

Marks per game: 4.1

Tackles per game: 3

SUMMARY

Continued to give Freo a spark inside 50, kicking 36 majors to lead the club's goalkicking for the third time. Took a spectacular screamer on the wing in round 19 against Sydney.



11 TOM SHERIDAN

DATE OF BIRTH: 28/10/1993

2016 GAMES: 21

CAREER GAMES: 59

2016 GOALS: 6

CAREER GOALS: 20

2016 SEASON

Disposals per game: 18.8

Cont. possessions per game: 4

Uncont. possessions per game: 14.2

Disposal efficiency: 77.4%

Marks per game: 3.7

Tackles per game: 2.1

SUMMARY

Continued to impress in 2016, playing all but one game and posting improved numbers across the board. Stood up in defence as one of Freo's best in its opening round loss against the Bulldogs.

12 JONATHON GRIFFIN

DATE OF BIRTH: 14/01/1986

2016 GAMES: 13

CAREER GAMES: 90

2016 GOALS: 5

CAREER GOALS: 32

2016 SEASON

Disposals per game: 9.4

Cont. possessions per game: 4

Uncont. possessions per game: 5

Disposal efficiency: 73%

Marks per game: 1.6

Tackles per game: 3

SUMMARY

Stood tall, sharing ruck duties in Aaron Sandilands' absence with occasional stints up forward. Played five regular season and three finals games as a part of Peel's premiership side.



13 TENDAI MZUNGU

DATE OF BIRTH: 28/02/1986

2016 GAMES: 5

CAREER GAMES: 102

2016 GOALS: 0

CAREER GOALS: 54

2016 SEASON

Disposals per game: 15.2

Cont. possessions per game: 4.6

Uncont. possessions per game: 11.2

Disposal efficiency: 65.8%

Marks per game: 2.8

Tackles per game: 3

SUMMARY

Mzungu recorded his 100th career game in round eight against

Hawthorn, but would only play two further games to bring his career total to 102. The utility player kicked 54 goals for Fremantle, and none were more important than his goal the 2013 Grand Final, slotting a set shot from 45m to get Freo on track after a slow start against Hawthorn. Mzungu was popular among his teammates and was recognised with the 2012 Best Clubman award.



14 LACHIE WELLER

DATE OF BIRTH: 23/02/1996

2016 GAMES: 22

CAREER GAMES: 25

2016 GOALS: 12

CAREER GOALS: 12

2016 SEASON

Disposals per game: 15.5

Cont. possessions per game: 5.3

Uncont. possessions per game: 10

Disposal efficiency: 74.5%

Marks per game: 2.5

Tackles per game: 3.3

SUMMARY

An emerging talent who featured in every game as injuries plagued Freo's midfield. The 20-year-old showed pace and agility to earn a NAB AFL Rising Star nomination in round 12, and win Freo's Beacon Award as the best first or second year player in 2016.



15 ETHAN HUGHES

DATE OF BIRTH: 07/12/1994

2016 GAMES: 5

CAREER GAMES: 6

2016 GOALS: 0

CAREER GOALS: 0

2016 SEASON

Disposals per game: 15.4

Cont. possessions per game: 5.6

Uncont. possessions per game: 9.4

Disposal efficiency: 80.5%

Marks per game: 4.8

Tackles per game: 2.6

SUMMARY

Juggled time between Peel and Freo in his second season, playing in the Thunder's Premiership side. Showed impressive form in defence in a two-game stint against the Eagles and the Crows in rounds 20 and 21.

16 DAVID MUNDY

DATE OF BIRTH: 20/07/1985
2016 GAMES: 18
CAREER GAMES: 251

2016 GOALS: 5
CAREER GOALS: 97

2016 SEASON

Disposals per game: 23.7
Cont. possessions per game: 11.1
Uncont. possessions per game: 12.8
Disposal efficiency: 69%
Marks per game: 3.2
Tackles per game: 4.6

SUMMARY

A challenging first year as captain, stood up against adversity with a career high 44 disposals in a loss against Sydney in round 19. Amassed 199 contested possessions for the season, the second most for Freo.



17 HAYDEN CROZIER

DATE OF BIRTH: 24/12/1993
2016 GAMES: 16
CAREER GAMES: 50

2016 GOALS: 6
CAREER GOALS: 31

2016 SEASON

Disposals per game: 16.6
Cont. possessions per game: 4
Uncont. possessions per game: 11.9
Disposal efficiency: 76.2%
Marks per game: 5.4
Tackles per game: 3

SUMMARY

Made a switch from small forward to half back and relished the move. Crozier proved to be a strong mark, highlighted by a stunning screamer on the boundary against St Kilda at Etihad Stadium in round 10.



18 DARCY TUCKER

DATE OF BIRTH: 23/01/1997
2016 GAMES: 12
CAREER GAMES: 12

2016 GOALS: 3
CAREER GOALS: 3

2016 SEASON

Disposals per game: 14.8
Cont. possessions per game: 5.1
Uncont. possessions per game: 10.3
Disposal efficiency: 72.3%
Marks per game: 3.1
Tackles per game: 4

SUMMARY

An eventful debut season, playing 12 AFL games as well as 13 for Peel in their Premiership season. The speedy midfielder even had a taste of the AFL's biggest day, earning a start in the Grand Final sprint.

19 CONNOR BLAKELY

DATE OF BIRTH: 02/03/1996

2016 GAMES: 15

CAREER GAMES: 16

2016 GOALS: 1

CAREER GOALS: 1

2016 SEASON

Disposals per game: 20.3

Cont. possessions per game: 8.6

Uncont. possessions per game: 12.1

Disposal efficiency: 72.4%

Marks per game: 2.7

Tackles per game: 3.7

SUMMARY

Played the bulk of the second half of the season for Freo, earning a NAB AFL Rising Star nomination in round 11. Won the prestigious Simpson Medal as the best on ground with 38 disposals in Peel's Premiership win.



20 MATT TABERNER

DATE OF BIRTH: 17/06/1993

2016 GAMES: 17

CAREER GAMES: 45

2016 GOALS: 18

CAREER GOALS: 41

2016 SEASON

Disposals per game: 12.4

Cont. possessions per game: 5.8

Uncont. possessions per game: 6.5

Disposal efficiency: 68.6%

Marks per game: 4.8

Tackles per game: 2.4

SUMMARY

Emerged as a potential key forward with another strong season, highlighted by a five-goal haul in round 12 against Brisbane.

21 MICHAEL BARLOW

DATE OF BIRTH: 18/12/1987

2016 GAMES: 13

CAREER GAMES: 126

2016 GOALS: 6

CAREER GOALS: 81

2016 SEASON

Disposals per game: 24.5

Cont. possessions per game: 11.4

Uncont. possessions per game: 12.6

Disposal efficiency: 70.8%

Marks per game: 3.5

Tackles per game: 6.1

SUMMARY

Barlow came to Fremantle via the 2009 Rookie Draft and was always

a favourite among the Freo faithful, playing 126 games over seven seasons. He played a significant role in Fremantle's success over four finals series between 2012 and 2015, and reinvented himself as an attacking tagger in 2016 before his campaign was cut short by a serious shoulder injury against Geelong in round 17.





22 TANNER SMITH

DATE OF BIRTH: 08/03/1994
 2016 GAMES: 2
 CAREER GAMES: 4

2016 GOALS: 2
 CAREER GOALS: 2

2016 SEASON
 Disposals per game: 9
 Cont. possessions per game: 3
 Uncont. possessions per game: 5.5
 Disposal efficiency: 72.2%
 Marks per game: 2
 Tackles per game: 2.5

SUMMARY
 Kicked a goal in each of Freo's wins against Brisbane and Port Adelaide. The rookie-listed player was delisted at the end of the season.

23 CHRIS MAYNE

DATE OF BIRTH: 02/11/1988
 2016 GAMES: 22
 CAREER GAMES: 172

2016 GOALS: 18
 CAREER GOALS: 196

2016 SEASON
 Disposals per game: 14.8
 Cont. possessions per game: 5.3
 Uncont. possessions per game: 9.6
 Disposal efficiency: 75.7%
 Marks per game: 5
 Tackles per game: 5.4

SUMMARY
 Drafted from Perth Demons with pick 40 in the 2007 national draft,

Mayne made an immediate impact as a hardworking half forward. Mayne was Fremantle's equal leading goal kicker in 2011, won the Players' Award in 2012 and his achievements in 2013 earned him a place in the 40-man All-Australian squad. A Life Member, Mayne leaves the club after 172 games with 196 goals to his name – the fourth-most of any Fremantle player.



24 HARLEY BALIC

DATE OF BIRTH: 05/01/1997
 2016 GAMES: 0
 CAREER GAMES: 0

2016 GOALS: 0
 CAREER GOALS: 0

SUMMARY
 Battled through 2016 with a wrist injury, but recovered in time to make his on field debut for Peel in the final round of the WAFL season. Balic went on to play his part in the Thunder's premiership side, playing all four finals.

25 ALEX PEARCE

DATE OF BIRTH: 09/06/1995

2016 GAMES: 8

CAREER GAMES: 21

2016 GOALS: 0

CAREER GOALS: 3

2016 SEASON

Disposals per game: 9.6

Cont. possessions per game: 5.6

Uncont. possessions per game: 4.5

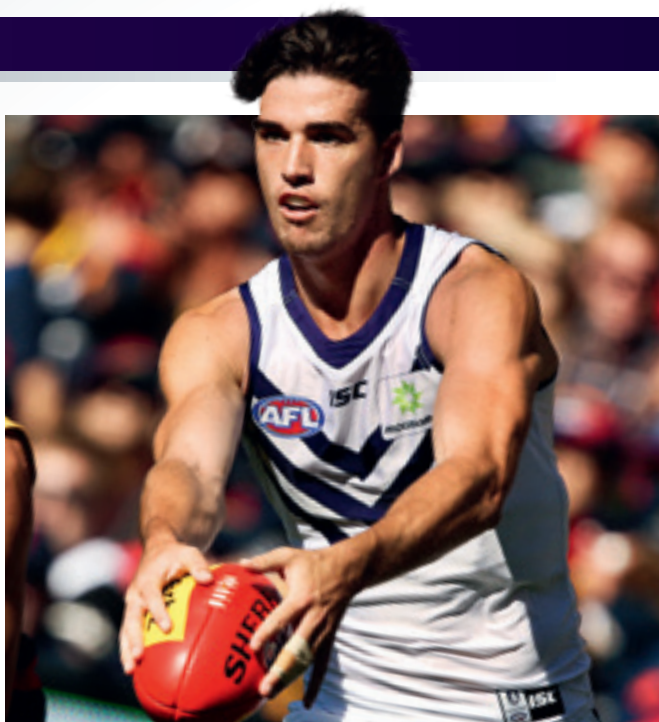
Disposal efficiency: 74%

Marks per game: 2.5

Tackles per game: 2.1

SUMMARY

Played eight games until a fractured tibia in round 9 ended what was building into another promising season for the emerging key defender.



26^{ED} LANGDON

DATE OF BIRTH: 01/02/1996

2016 GAMES: 13

CAREER GAMES: 15

2016 GOALS: 8

CAREER GOALS: 8

2016 SEASON

Disposals per game: 15.8

Cont. possessions per game: 4.7

Uncont. possessions per game: 10.9

Disposal efficiency: 72.7%

Marks per game: 2.6

Tackles per game: 2.7

SUMMARY

A strong second half of the season saw the promising midfielder average 20 disposals from his final seven games. Dominated for Peel in their Grand Final win, putting up a 39 disposal performance.



27 LACHIE NEALE

DATE OF BIRTH: 24/05/1993

2016 GAMES: 22

CAREER GAMES: 92

2016 GOALS: 7

CAREER GOALS: 43

2016 SEASON

Disposals per game: 33.5

Cont. possessions per game: 16.3

Uncont. possessions per game: 17

Disposal efficiency: 73%

Marks per game: 4.1

Tackles per game: 4.6

SUMMARY

A clear standout in one of the most memorable individual season performances in Fremantle history. His 737-disposal season is the highest recorded total since Champion Data started recording the stat in 1999. The 23-year-old broke the 40-disposal barrier on five occasions on his way to winning the Doig Medal as Freo's best and fairest.

28 BRADY GREY

DATE OF BIRTH: 20/07/1995

2016 GAMES: 2

CAREER GAMES: 3

2016 GOALS: 0

CAREER GOALS: 0

2016 SEASON

Disposals per game: 15

Cont. possessions per game: 9.5

Uncont. possessions per game: 6

Disposal efficiency: 76.7%

Marks per game: 1

Tackles per game: 8.5

SUMMARY

Featured in two games for Fremantle and nine for Peel before a mid-year ankle injury ended his season. Delisted at the end of the season but has been given the opportunity to train with the club and possibly re-listed during the draft period in November.



29 MATTHEW PAVLICH

DATE OF BIRTH: 31/12/1981

2016 GAMES: 18

CAREER GAMES: 353

2016 GOALS: 31

CAREER GOALS: 700

2016 SEASON

Disposals per game: 13.7

Cont. possessions per game: 6.2

Uncont. possessions per game: 7.3

Disposal efficiency: 66.7%

Marks per game: 4.8

Tackles per game: 3.2

SUMMARY

Taken with pick 4 in the 1999

National Draft, Pavlich recorded his

350th game milestone and 700th goal in his 17th and final season.

Pavlich's achievements over his 353 game career are without peer in Fremantle's 21-year history, with six Doig Medals, eight years as leading goal kicker, nine years as captain and six All-Australian selections.

Pavlich was made a life member of the Fremantle Football Club in 2006, and a life member of the AFL in 2013.

30 ZAC CLARKE

DATE OF BIRTH: 28/03/1990

2016 GAMES: 13

CAREER GAMES: 101

2016 GOALS: 0

CAREER GOALS: 46

2016 SEASON

Disposals per game: 9.7

Cont. possessions per game: 3.5

Uncont. possessions per game: 6

Disposal efficiency: 77.8%

Marks per game: 2.8

Tackles per game: 2.7

SUMMARY

Juggling ruck duties with Jonathon Griffin in the absence of Sandilands, Clarke showed some return to form, earning a one-year contact extension at the end of the season.



31 AARON SANDILANDS

DATE OF BIRTH: 06/12/1982

2016 GAMES: 5

CAREER GAMES: 244

2016 GOALS: 0

CAREER GOALS: 92

2016 SEASON

Disposals per game: 8.2

Cont. possessions per game: 6.6

Uncont. possessions per game: 2

Disposal efficiency: 63.4%

Marks per game: 2

Tackles per game: 1.6

SUMMARY

A punctured lung in round 3 saw Sandilands spend the bulk of 2016 on the sidelines. Was awarded Best Clubman at the end of season for his outstanding off-field contribution.



32 STEPHEN HILL

DATE OF BIRTH: 01/05/1990

2016 GAMES: 21

CAREER GAMES: 172

2016 GOALS: 4

CAREER GOALS: 104

2016 SEASON

Disposals per game: 24.9

Cont. possessions per game: 8.5

Uncont. possessions per game: 16

Disposal efficiency: 68%

Marks per game: 3

Tackles per game: 3.9

SUMMARY

Another standout year saw the running midfielder finish second in the Doig Medal for the club's best and fairest. Instrumental in Freo's round 23 win over the Bulldogs with nine marks and 30 disposals.



33 CAM SUTCLIFFE

DATE OF BIRTH: 23/05/1992

2016 GAMES: 19

CAREER GAMES: 87

2016 GOALS: 2

CAREER GOALS: 16

2016 SEASON

Disposals per game: 16.2

Cont. possessions per game: 3.3

Uncont. possessions per game: 12.7

Disposal efficiency: 77.6%

Marks per game: 5.7

Tackles per game: 3.7

SUMMARY

Sutcliffe stood tall in defence taking 108 marks, the third most for the club in 2016. Finished strongly with nine marks and 24 disposals in round 23.

34 LEE SPURR

DATE OF BIRTH: 27/07/1987

2016 GAMES: 22

CAREER GAMES: 104

2016 GOALS: 0

CAREER GOALS: 5

2016 SEASON

Disposals per game: 18.1

Cont. possessions per game: 4.4

Uncont. possessions per game: 13.3

Disposal efficiency: 81.9%

Marks per game: 6.7

Tackles per game: 2.8

SUMMARY

Spurr took control of Freo's defence, leading the club in marks (147) and rebound 50s (47). Spurr finished sixth in the Doig Medal count, his fourth straight top 10 result.



35 MICHAEL APENESS

DATE OF BIRTH: 28/01/1995

2016 GAMES: 5

CAREER GAMES: 7

2016 GOALS: 3

CAREER GOALS: 3

2016 SEASON

Disposals per game: 5.2

Cont. possessions per game: 4.2

Uncont. possessions per game: 1.4

Disposal efficiency: 96.2%

Marks per game: 2.4

Tackles per game: 2.2

SUMMARY

Came into the side late after an injury plagued season, kicking three goals in the last four rounds. A part of Peel's premiership side, kicking a goal in all four of the Thunder's finals.

36 ALEX SILVAGNI

DATE OF BIRTH: 29/09/1987

2016 GAMES: 5

CAREER GAMES: 53

2016 GOALS: 0

CAREER GOALS: 10

2016 SEASON

Disposals per game: 14.2

Cont. possessions per game: 5.6

Uncont. possessions per game: 9

Disposal efficiency: 77.5%

Marks per game: 5.8

Tackles per game: 1.2

Draft and made his debut against Adelaide in round one of 2010. Silvagni played 53 games in his seven seasons, and was voted Fremantle's Best Clubman in 2014. Battles with injury severely limited Silvagni's opportunities over recent years, when he managed just 14 games from 2014 to 2016. Silvagni played his 50th milestone game in 2016 against the West Coast Eagles in round 20.

SUMMARY

Silvagni was taken with pick 24 from Casey Scorpions in the 2009 Rookie



37 MICHAEL JOHNSON

DATE OF BIRTH: 20/10/1984

2016 GAMES: 4

CAREER GAMES: 209

2016 GOALS: 0

CAREER GOALS: 63

2016 SEASON

Disposals per game: 15.5

Cont. possessions per game: 4.8

Uncont. possessions per game: 10.3

Disposal efficiency: 85.5%

Marks per game: 7

Tackles per game: 0.8

SUMMARY

Played just four games in 2016 after being forced out for the season with knee and hamstring injuries suffered in round 5 against Carlton.



38 JACK HANNATH

DATE OF BIRTH: 09/07/1991

2016 GAMES: 2

CAREER GAMES: 20

2016 GOALS: 0

CAREER GOALS: 8

2016 SEASON

Disposals per game: 7.5

Cont. possessions per game: 4

Uncont. possessions per game: 5

Disposal efficiency: 73.3%

Marks per game: 1

Tackles per game: 3.5

SUMMARY

Played the majority of 2016 in the WAFL alongside just two AFL appearances, and was delisted at the end of the season.



39 JOSH DELUCA

DATE OF BIRTH: 11/05/1996

2016 GAMES: 0

CAREER GAMES: 0

2016 GOALS: 0

CAREER GOALS: 0

SUMMARY

Played almost a full season for Peel, including all four finals in their Premiership team. Delisted at the end of the season but has been given the opportunity to train with the club and possibly re-listed during the draft period in November.

40 SAM COLLINS

DATE OF BIRTH: 15/06/1994

2016 GAMES: 12

CAREER GAMES: 12

2016 GOALS: 0

CAREER GOALS: 0

2016 SEASON

Disposals per game: 13.1

Cont. possessions per game: 5.1

Uncont. possessions per game: 7.9

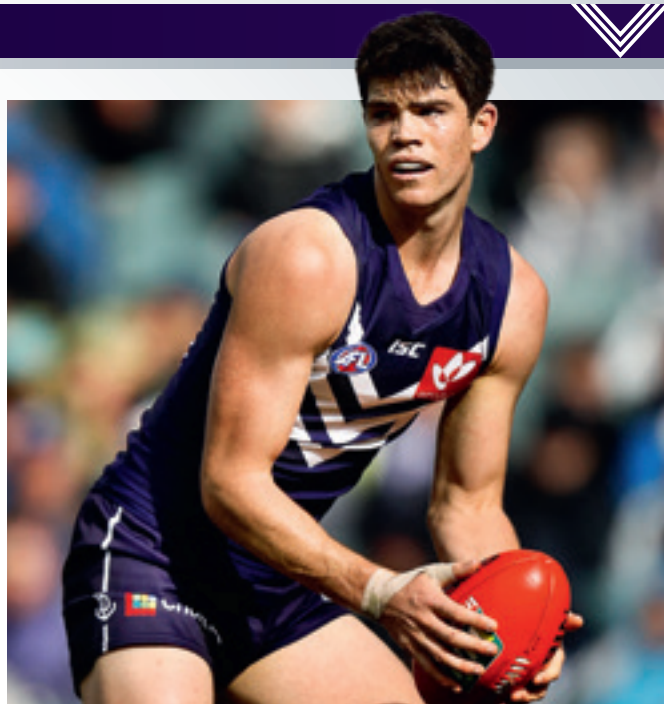
Disposal efficiency: 81.5%

Marks per game: 5.2

Tackles per game: 2.6

SUMMARY

Played all but one game after his Round 10 debut against St Kilda, with the tall backman establishing himself well in Freo's defence.



41 SHANE YARRAN

DATE OF BIRTH: 02/06/1989

2016 GAMES: 6

CAREER GAMES: 6

2016 GOALS: 10

CAREER GOALS: 10

2016 SEASON

Disposals per game: 11.3

Cont. possessions per game: 4

Uncont. possessions per game: 7.3

Disposal efficiency: 55.9%

Marks per game: 4

Tackles per game: 2.5

SUMMARY

Showed plenty of pace up front, kicking a goal in every game since his round 18 AFL debut against the Gold Coast.

42 MATTHEW UEBERGANG

DATE OF BIRTH: 06/01/1995

2016 GAMES: 0

CAREER GAMES: 0

2016 GOALS: 0

CAREER GOALS: 0

SUMMARY

Played every game for Peel until a hamstring injury ended his season in round 13.



43 RYAN NYHUIS

DATE OF BIRTH: 06/09/1996

2016 GAMES: 0

CAREER GAMES: 0

2016 GOALS: 0

CAREER GOALS: 0

SUMMARY

A consistent performer for Peel, bouncing back from a mid-season knee injury to feature in all four of the Thunder's finals in their Premiership season.



45 SEAN HURLEY

DATE OF BIRTH: 02/03/1992

2016 GAMES: 0

CAREER GAMES: 0

2016 GOALS: 0

CAREER GOALS: 0

SUMMARY

The International Rookie played just one league and two reserves games for Peel before being delisted at the end of the season.



46 CLANCEE PEARCE

DATE OF BIRTH: 23/10/1990

2016 GAMES: 4

CAREER GAMES: 100

2016 GOALS: 0

CAREER GOALS: 36

2016 SEASON

Disposals per game: 20
Cont. possessions per game: 6.5
Uncont. possessions per game: 13
Disposal efficiency: 72.5%
Marks per game: 4.8
Tackles per game: 2.3

SUMMARY

Played 100 games for Fremantle after he was taken with pick 44 in

the 2008 rookie draft. Courageous and known for his lethal right boot, Pearce played every game in 2012 and showed strong form for much of 2013 before an Achilles injury cruelly derailed his finals campaign. Pearce played just four games in 2016 but featured strongly in Peel Thunder's maiden premiership season, playing 10 regular season games and three finals.

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2	Sunday 2 April	Port Adelaide	Adelaide Oval	Away	4.10pm
3	Saturday 8 April	Western Bulldogs	Domain Stadium	Home	5.40pm
4	Saturday 15 April	Melbourne	MCG	Away	1.45pm
5	Saturday 22 April	North Melbourne	Domain Stadium	Home	5.40pm
6	Saturday 29 April	West Coast	Domain Stadium	Away	6.10pm
7	Sunday 7 May	Essendon	Domain Stadium	Home	2.40pm
8	Sunday 14 May	Richmond	MCG	Away	1.10pm
9	Sunday 21 May	Carlton	Domain Stadium	Home	2.40pm
10	Saturday 27 May	Adelaide	Adelaide Oval	Away	7.10pm
11	Sunday 4 June	Collingwood	Domain Stadium	Home	2.40pm
12	Saturday 10 June	Brisbane	The Gabba	Away	4.35pm
13	BYE				
14	Sunday 25 June	Geelong	Simonds Stadium	Away	1.10pm
15	Sunday 2 July	St Kilda	Domain Stadium	Home	2.40pm
16	Sunday 9 July	North Melbourne	Etihad Stadium	Away	1.10pm
17	Sunday 16 July	West Coast	Domain Stadium	Home	2.40pm
18	Saturday 22 July	Hawthorn	Domain Stadium	Home	5.40pm
19	Saturday 29 July	GWS Giants	Spotless Stadium	Away	2.10pm
20	Saturday 5 August	Gold Coast	Domain Stadium	Home	5.40pm
21	Saturday 12 August	Sydney	SCG	Away	1.45pm
22	Sunday 20 August	Richmond	Domain Stadium	Home	2.40pm
23	TBC	Essendon	Etihad Stadium	Away	TBC



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