

# RICHMOND FOOTBALL CLUB MAURICE RIOLI RECONCILIATION ACTION PLAN 2015–2016



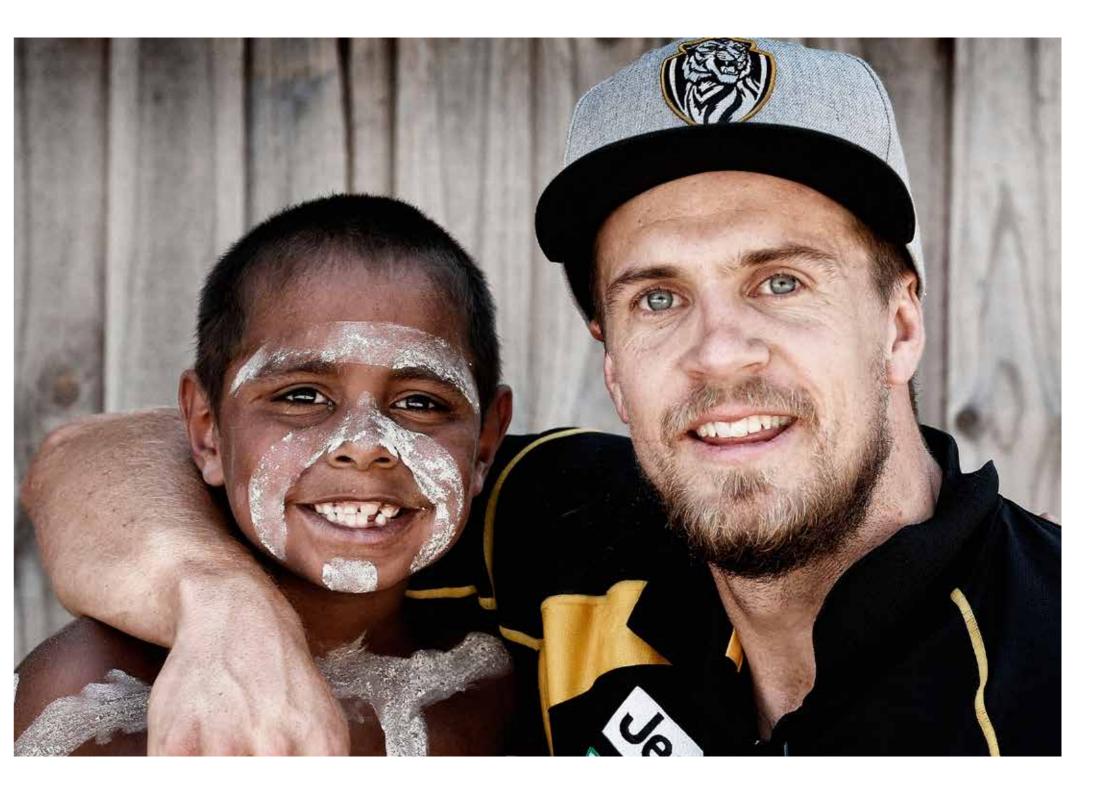


### RICHMOND FOOTBALL CLUB ACKNOWLEDGE THE WURUNDJERI PEOPLE of the Kulin Nations, the traditional owners of the Land on which we reside and traditional owners across Australia.





Richmond were the first AFL club to visit a Victorian Aboriginal Mission – Framlingham Mission Community



### A MESSAGE FROM RICHMOND'S PRESIDENT



Accountability is a word that certainly resonates inside the four walls of an elite-level football Club. It is what a high-performance environment demands and it is critical if we are to succeed on and off the field. It is why the establishment of the Maurice Rioli Reconciliation Action Plan for the Richmond Football Club was such an important step forward as it supports accountability towards reconciliation.

This Club has committed to making a meaningful contribution to promoting reconciliation and strengthening relationships between Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders and non-Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders. Much of this commitment is based around the activities in the Korin Gamadji Institute - a facility embedded at the Richmond Football Club that drives leadership, education and training outcomes for Indigenous youth. This unique and innovative facility is a connection point for emerging Indigenous leaders and since it was officially opened in 2012, the facility has been utilised by more than 8000 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders.

But our Club's commitment must go well beyond that - our board, management, staff, players and supporters must all be a part of the commitment we make and our new RAP gives us a roadmap to ensure this is the case and targets by which we can measure our success.

The REAL program provides leadership development opportunities for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander youth aged 14-17 years, and focuses on affirming participant's culture. Delivering 8 programs annually, the REAL Program has impacted the lives of many young people.

Peggy O'Neal President, Richmond Football Club

### A MESSAGE FROM RECONCILIATION AUSTRALIA'S CEO



On behalf of Reconciliation Australia I would like to congratulate Richmond Football Club on becoming the first AFL club to develop an Elevate Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP). I am so pleased to see Richmond take this next, exciting step on their reconciliation journey.

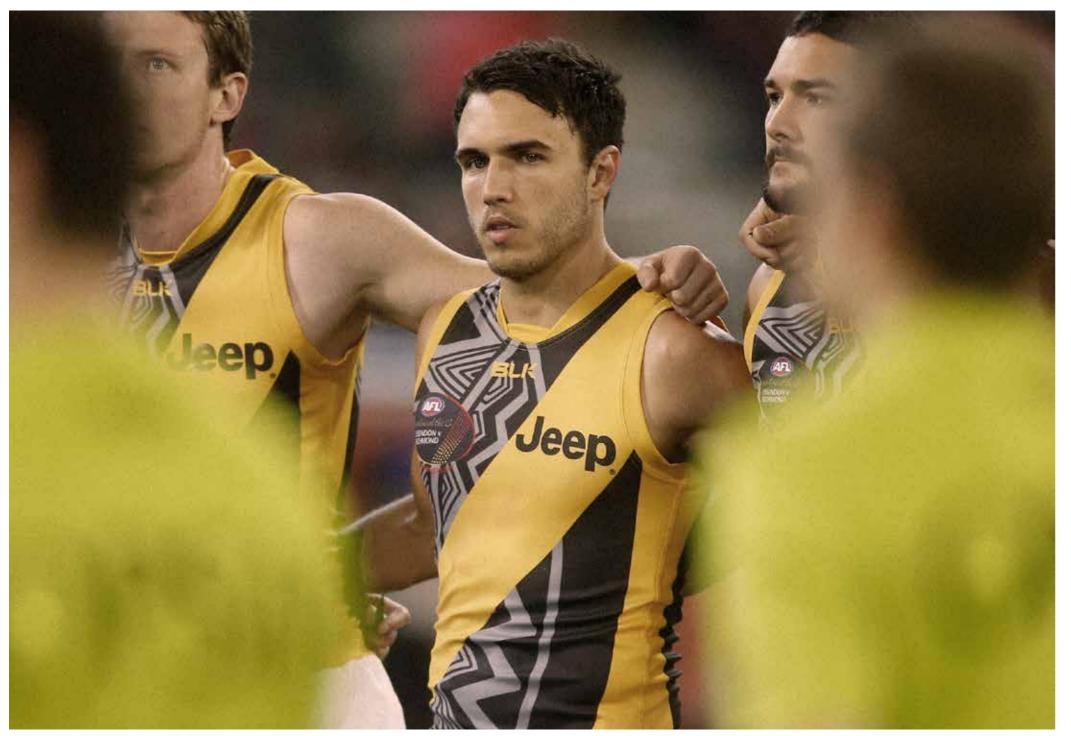
At Reconciliation Australia, our role as the national leader for reconciliation, is to inspire social change to improve the social and economic wellbeing of all Australians. Our RAP program is integral in effecting that social change in workplaces and organisations around the country. And, it is only with the ongoing support and dedication of our RAP partners, like Richmond, that we can achieve it.

Richmond's Elevate RAP follows many years of pioneering work by the club to build reconciliation in the AFL community and beyond. Richmond's important work with the Korin Gamadji Institute to build young Indigenous leaders and their support of the Recognise campaign and AFL Indigenous Round are to be commended. Richmond's leadership role and willingness to support reconciliation is something everyone at the club can be proud of.

I congratulate Richmond Football Club once again look forward to working alongside the club to build the relationships, respect and opportunities required for a reconciled Australia.

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Justin Mohamed CEO, Reconciliation Australia



# "THIS CLUB HAS COMMITTED TO Making a meaningful Contribution to Promoting reconciliation."

PEGGY O'NEAL President, Richmond Football Club



# MAURICE **RIOL**

### Maurice Rioli stood only 175cm tall, but he was a giant in terms of his influence in both sporting and public life for his Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

On the football field, Maurice dazzled teammates, fans and opponents alike.

He was a genius with the football in his hands, a rare talent, whose sublime skills helped pave the way for the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community to embrace, and subsequently thrive, in our great national game.

From 1982-87, Maurice excited the legion of Richmond supporters with his brilliant style of play, and he is regarded as one of the finest players to ever pull on the famous Yellow and Black guernsey.

He won back-to-back Best and Fairest awards in his first two seasons with the Tigers, the Norm Smith Medal as best-on-ground in a losing 1982 Grand Final side, and finished second in the competition's prestigious Brownlow Medal in 1983.

Maurice continued to serve his community long after his playing days had finished, through his work in public life, firstly as a politician in the Northern Territory Legislative Assembly, then in Community Services on the Tiwi Islands.

Right throughout, Maurice's primary objective was to improve conditions for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, whether they were from within his electorate, the Tiwi Islands, or anywhere else across Australia.

Maurice Rioli was a leader of his people, and a true champion, both on and off the field.

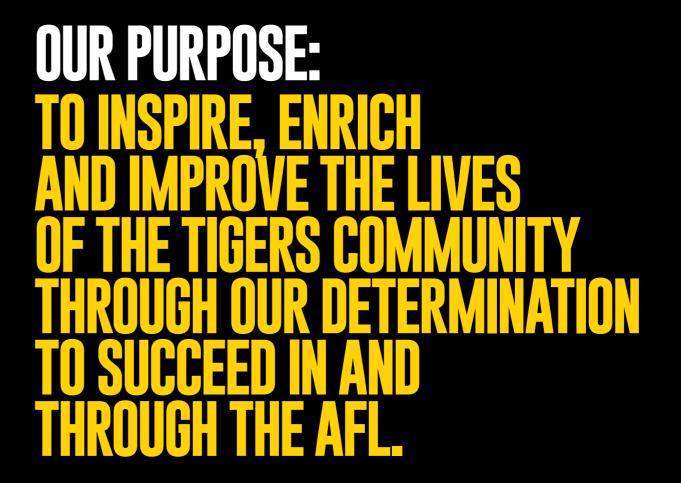
He was an enormously important figure in league football as a player, and as a trailblazer in the role he played for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders.



The Richmond Football Club has been an active national sporting club for over 125 years that competes in the Australian Football League. The Club is based in Richmond, Melbourne and employs 94 staff and 62 AFL and VFL players. Currently the Club employs two Aboriginal players and five Aboriginal staff. The club has over 65,000 members and 500,000 supporters nationally.

In 2011 the Club completed the development of a new training facility at ME Bank Centre, Punt Road Oval in Melbourne for staff, players and the community; the Korin Gamadji Institute (KGI). The KGI is a unique educational facility, based at an elite sports club, which supports leadership and employment pathways for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, and houses the Koorie Youth Council and Kalinya Communications.

The Richmond Emerging Aboriginal Leadership (REAL) program is the primary initiative delivered by the KGI. The REAL program provides leadership development opportunities for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander youth aged 14-17 years, and focuses on affirming the participant's identity and culture. Since the first program camp was delivered in July 2011, twenty one camps have been delivered with more than 200 individuals engaged.









To support our aspirations and guide our behaviour the Club is anchored by a set of core values that unify and collectively align us.

We aspire to be a Club that is Aware; Disciplined; Relentless and United.

We value awareness as an organisation and as individuals. We value a reputation as an authentic, transparent and fair football club. This means we will take and offer feedback, tackle the hard conversations with integrity and spirit and have the courage of our convictions. We value the person behind the performer at all levels of the club.

We value discipline. We recognise that our competitive edge will come from clarity, planning, precision, understanding risk and intelligent use of data. We value experience and patience to stick with what we know and trust will work over time. We value efficient 'schooling' of our systems, methods and culture so that people are empowered to achieve. We are known as a club that does what it says it will do.

We value being relentless in pursuit our goals. We are a proud football club and we will be fiercely competitive on and off the field of play. We are proactive, thrive on passion and relish the determined fighting spirit of the club throughout its history. We also value creative thinking and a 'progress mentality'.

We value unity at all levels of the club. We are in it together; directors, staff, players, members, fans, partners and allies. We invite belonging and reward teamwork. When things are tough, we demonstrate this by acting with solidarity and commitment, and we look out for each other. When things are good, we demonstrate this by sharing the success and the spoils.

We represent Our Jumper. We wear the yellow and black with pride and understand what the sash represents. At its heart Our Jumper demands that we work together, we are aware of each other; we are focused and strive to be our best.



### Australian Rules football is a shared passion of many Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders, and other Australians.

The Club understands the important role that football plays in uniting people through shared experiences and stories, and strives to affirm the achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, both on and off the football field. We are aware of our responsibility and use our presence in a positive way for our community.

Our vision for reconciliation is that the Richmond community - members, supporters, players, staff and stakeholders - acknowledge the history of the First Australian's, are proud of their culture and achievements, and actively contribute to reconciliation and constitutional recognition.

In 1968, Derek **Peardon debuted** for Richmond **Football Club** and although his 20 game career was short, the Club had begun a long journey to support reconciliation.

In 2005, the Club played the Essendon Football Club in the inaugural Dreamtime at the 'G game; a match that recognises the contributions of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander players and staff throughout football. The game now attracts a crowd of more than 80,000 people and 1 million TV viewers, and is part of the AFL's Indigenous Round.

In 2011, the launch of the Club's first RAP coincided with former Prime Minister Julia Gillard opening the Korin Gamadji Institute. During this year Richmond also commissioned Aboriginal artist Jirra Harvey to design the first Dreamtime jumper; just 3 years later all Club's committed to wearing a Dreamtime inspired jumper for the AFL's Indigenous Round. It also allowed Clubs to share ideas on particular targets relating to partnerships, opportunities and respect.

In 2014, the Club had its 200th participant graduate from the REAL program, and a number of past participants also returned as program leaders. Richmond also demonstrated its commitment to reconciliation by being the first AFL Club to visit a Victorian Aboriginal Mission - Framlingham Aboriginal <u>Mission i</u>n Western Victoria – where players and staff were engaged in cultural dance, history and traditional foods, community activities.

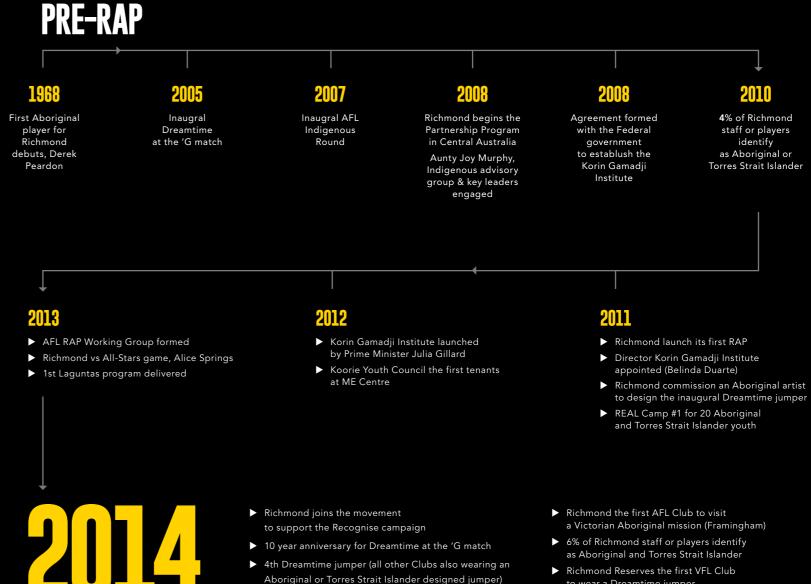
Throughout its reconciliation journey, the Club has learnt the importance of building trust with Australia's Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people; key drivers of building this trust was the appointment of advisory support, employment of the Director, Korin Gamadji Institute, Belinda Duarte, and Indigenous Community Engagement Manager, Luke Murray. These positions in particular have formed a strong bridge between

the Club and Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander people.

Support from the Club's leadership positions, particularly our President, Peggy O'Neal, and CEO Brendon Gale has also been a critical factor in the getting broader support and understanding of the Clubs role around reconciliation. Also, the Club has recognised the importance of representatives from a range of departments and management levels on the RAP Committee. The challenge going forward is to ensure the committee is engaged, accountable and discipline in the effective delivery of this elevate RAP.

Richmond are proud to be taking a leadership role to support reconciliation throughout Australia. The Club has delivered and driven a number of new initiatives as listed below, and will continue to seek and create new opportunities that will encourage and motivate others to be engaged in the vision of reconciliation.





- 8000+ Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders utilised KGI facility for events & programs
- to wear a Dreamtime jumper
- Agreement formed with the Federal government to establish the Korin Gamadji Institute



Fitzroy Stars Football Club



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### Richmond recognise and value the contributions and partnerships formed with many groups and organisations since the development of its first RAP.

| Australian Football League (including AFL Vic and AFL NT)                   | BLK   |
|---|---|
| AFL SportsReady   | Koorie Education Networks                             |
| Federal Government  | Crown   |
| Victorian State Government  | Indigenous Hip Hop Projects                           |
| Northern Territory Government   | Fitzroy Stars Football Club                           |
| Wurundjeri Land Council   | Koorie Youth Council                                  |
| National Aboriginal Sporting Chance Academy                                 | Kalinya Communications                                |
| National Centre for Indigenous Excellence                                   | Victorian Electoral Commission                        |
| Victorian Aboriginal Health Service   | YMCA  |
| Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Education – Catholic Education Office | Victorian Equal Opportunity & Human Rights Commission |
| National Indigenous Youth Leadership Academy                                | Dick Smith  |







### Richmond Football Club has aspired to develop a RAP with an "Elevate" status.

Throughout the next 2 years the Club is committed to further positioning itself as a leader in supporting and building reconciliation throughout the Richmond community.

From 2015-2016 our actions will focus on:

- 1. Developing a greater understanding and appreciation of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander history
- 2. Building a sense of pride towards Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander culture and achievements
- 3. Initiating active contributions to build reconciliation and support constitutional recognition

In addition to these areas Richmond will continue to show leadership, innovation and drive initiatives that will support reconciliation.

Thought Leadership

Richmond has built a solid reputation throughout the AFL industry for its work around Indigenous community engagement and support for reconciliation. The Club is proud to be viewed as a leader in this space by its peers, and will be relentless in maintaining this position.

The following Measurable Targets are identified as innovative ideas, and examples of thought leadership, which demonstrate how Richmond will play an advocacy role beyond the four walls of the Club: 1, 2, 3, 6, 7, 8, 13, 32, 33, 35 & 36.



# THE STORY OF DREAMTIME

It was 11 years ago that Dreamtime at the G was first played between the Richmond and Essendon football clubs. It was a game established to celebrate the role Australian Rules Football has played in building bridges between Indigenous and non-Indigenous Australia.

The first game attracted a crowd of 48,000 but it has subsequently grown into the AFL's pre-eminent night time event with at-match crowds of more than 80,000 and TV audiences in excess of 1.2 million. It is a very significant platform around which the spirit of reconciliation can be celebrated and encouraged.

The game has now grown so significantly, and has so many important events attached to it, that it is now referred to as Dreamtime Week. By way of example, we have developed a Dreamtime game for the Victorian Football League between Richmond and Essendon that is played for base the Sir Doug Nicholls Cup. We also continue to support the The Club is proud to say it took a leadership position Long Walk which has been critical to the success of the Dreamtime game.

Richmond has continued to look for opportunities to build on this game and in 2011 commissioned Indigenous artist, to be told nationally.

Jirra Harvey, to design the industry's inaugural Dreamtime jumper. The Club which decided to introduce the jumper as a highly-visible way to demonstrate our commitment to reconciliation.

The design of the jumper also provided opportunities for emerging Indigenous artists to showcase their talent. Each jumper has had its own unique story attached to it which provides a fantastic opportunity for us to educate our players and staff and more broadly, our entire supporter

by developing this jumper. All 18 AFL Clubs have now followed suit and are developed their own, creating a far broader opportunity for the story of reconciliation

Richmond also developed the Dreamtime membership – a unique membership that ensures fans a seat at one of the club's most significant games of the year. Importantly, proceeds from the sale of this membership, and all our Dreamtime merchandise, is donated back to the Korin Gamadji Institute to support the development of its programming.

More recently the Club has developed The Bunjil Award which is presented as part of Dreamtime week. Represented by a series of Victorian Dreamtime creatures, it is presented to a staff member, player, coach and supporter that has demonstrated our Club values. The Club believes this will become an increasingly critical part of developing a culture that understands, respects and promotes the process of reconciliation.







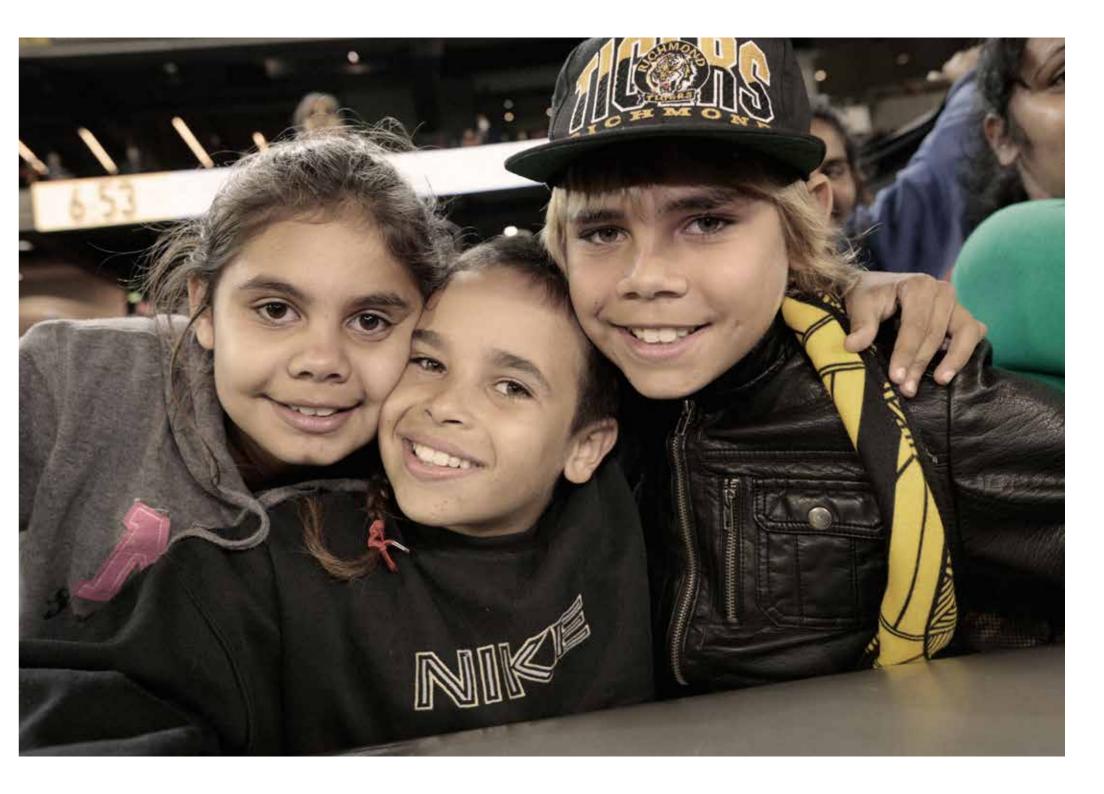
**TOP** Richmond players Shane Edwards, Ivan Maric, Dreamtime and Brett Deledic with 2013 Dreamtime guernsey artist Nathan Patterson.

**LEFT** Indigenous players Shane Edwards and Courtenay Dempsey from Essendon toss the coin at Dreamtime 2014.

**RIGHT** Commemorative Dreamtime pins launched in 2014 (2 of 5)









| Action   | Responsibility          | Measurable Target  | Timeline         |
|--|-------------------------|--|------------------|
| Lead and support<br>other AFL Clubs and<br>the broader sport<br>community to further<br>engage and connect<br>with reconciliation<br>initiatives |                         | 1) Maintain and grow the AFL Club participation<br>in the RAP industry working group to 12 Clubs<br>meeting every 6 months by 2016       | December<br>2016 |
|  |                         | 2) Host at least 4 sporting organisations for reconciliation related forums per annum  |                  |
|  | Head<br>of<br>Community | 3) Develop a charter for the working group to further define the Group's purpose   |                  |
|  |                         | <ol> <li>Promote the Reconciliation Action Plan<br/>program to other AFL clubs and sporting<br/>organisations</li> </ol>                 | July<br>2015     |
|  |                         | 5) Identify opportunities to continue to work<br>with the AFL and the AFL Players Association<br>on reconciliation associated activities |                  |



# RELATIONSHIPS CONT.

| Action  | Responsibility  | Measurable Target  | Timeline         |
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|   |   | 6) KGI to host at least one networking function each year for AFL Indigenous players   |                  |
|   |   | 7) KGI partners to be invited to Dreamtime<br>at the 'G and other relevant Club events annually  |                  |
| Work collaboratively  |   | 8) KGI tenancy agreements maintained with<br>at least 2 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander<br>businesses  | December<br>2016 |
| with the KGI to<br>continue to strengthen<br>and grow quality<br>engagement and<br>sustainable programs | Head<br>of<br>Community,<br>Director,<br>Korin Gamadji<br>Institute | 9) All players to engage in a cultural immersion<br>activity during the Club's annual AFL Community<br>Camp annually   |                  |
|   |   | 10) Continually explore opportunities to engage<br>with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander<br>communities and people through other Club<br>community programs, events and initiatives |                  |
|   |   | 11) Scope a mentoring support system for<br>Indigenous Richmond staff and footballers  |                  |
|   |   | 12) Engage at least one internationally recognised organisation on reconciliation, and share learning's  | July<br>2015     |
|   |   | 13) Commence an external impact assessment on the KGI's program participants   |                  |



| Action  | Responsibility                          | Measurable Target  | Timeline         |
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|   |   | 14) RAP Working Group (RWG) is refreshed to<br>oversee the development, endorsement and<br>launch of the RAP |                  |
|   |   | 15) Ensure Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples are represented on the RWG (min. 2)                 |                  |
|   |   | 16) Appoint a RAP Champion from the Richmond and TICF Board  | August<br>2015   |
| Ensure the development<br>and implementation of<br>our RAP is supported | Director,<br>Korin Gamadji<br>Institute | 17) Establish an external RAP reference group to inform on RAP momentum and implementation                   |                  |
| and appropriately resourced   |   | 18) Develop and distribute a terms of reference<br>for the RWG   |                  |
|   |   | 19) Meet at least quarterly per year to monitor and report on RAP implementation                             |                  |
|   |   | 20) Progress report to be included in the board papers and as an agenda item each quarter                    | December<br>2016 |
|   |   | 21) Progress of the RAP to be presented at the Club's staff meetings' biannually                             |                  |

# RELATIONSHIPS CONT.

| Action   | Responsibility          | Measurable Target   | Timeline            |
|--|-------------------------|---|---------------------|
| Celebrate National<br>Reconciliation Week<br>(NRW) across the club | Head<br>of<br>Community | 22) Host a minimum of one registered<br>NRW event each year   |                     |
|  |                         | 23) Provide information to all staff on<br>the significance of NRW, key events and<br>opportunities for staff/stakeholder participation |                     |
|  |                         | 24) Where possible invite external stakeholders including Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community members to NRW celebrations   | May–June 2015, 2016 |
|  |                         | 25) Continue to promote NRW as a part of Dreamtime at the 'G celebrations   |                     |
|  |                         | 26) A guest speaker invited to present<br>to Club employees & players during National<br>Reconciliation Week                            |                     |

Sharing Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Culture in Rio

Richmond's trip to Rio de Janeiro in 2013 had more depth and importance than just a cultural experience. Along with the nine Richmond players, two young Aboriginal men were also part of the traveling group.

Darren Allen and Derek Hayes, both aged 18, were selected because of their leadership capacity, observed during their participation in the Lagunta's program, which was delivered in partnership with AFL Victoria, the Korin Gamadji Institute and Richmond Football Club.

The Rio project called 'Changing the Score', explored how the role of sport can bring communities and cultures together, and was organised by RMIT, Bluestone Edge and Global Reconciliation, in partnership with Richmond, the Korin Gamadji Institute and the Brazilian Institute for Innovations in Social Health (IBISS).

Both Richmond and the KGI work to provide opportunities for young people to grow and emerge into community leaders and engage in education and training pathways.

The experience has allowed all of the participants, including Hayes and Allen to learn about Brazilian culture and life, and also understand how their experiences might be used to explore social inclusion with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander and multicultural communities, as well as disadvantaged groups upon their return.

Allen said the experience made him realise that other cultures can appreciate the uniqueness of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander culture performance.

"I'll be able to take that (experience) back home and tell family and friends that there are people out there that do care about our culture," Allen said.



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Focus Area: Richmond will embrace Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures and people in a meaningful and authentic way.

| Action   | Responsibility  | Measurable Target   | Timeline       |
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|  | Director,<br>Korin Gamadji<br>Institute                                   | 27) Establish consistent messaging with<br>Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities,<br>the Essendon Football Club and AFL             | May 2015, 2016 |
| Maintain our position<br>as leading the way<br>in the celebration of                   |   | 28) Ensure a meaningful and significant<br>Dreamtime jumper design is created,<br>and the story behind the jumper is communicated<br>nationally |                |
| Dreamtime at the 'G,<br>and promote innovative<br>ways for our people,                 |   | 29) Aim for attendance of 75,000+ at the<br>Dreamtime game  |                |
| supporters and the   |   | 30) Aim for TV audience of 1 million viewers  |                |
| broader community to<br>connect with Aboriginal<br>& Torres Strait Islander<br>people. |   | 31) Distribute at least 500 match day tickets to<br>Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander groups  |                |
|  | 32) Continue to build the Club's Dreamtime<br>VFL match at Punt Road Oval |   |                |
|  |   | 33) Encourage all AFL Club's to measure the<br>impact of the AFL Indigenous Round via an online<br>members survey post the Dreamtime round      |                |

### RESPECT CONT.

| Action   | Responsibility             | Measurable Target  | Timeline       |
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|  |                            | 34) Dreamtime Careers Expo to be delivered<br>at the KGI in 2016 with 1000 job seekers<br>attending  |                |
| Maintain our position<br>as leading the way<br>in the celebration of<br>Dreamtime at the 'G,<br>and promote innovative Director, | Director,                  | 35) Dreamtime Award to be presented to<br>a Richmond player, coach, employee and<br>volunteer that is linked to both a Victorian<br>Dreamtime creature and a selected Club value |                |
| ways for our people,<br>supporters and the<br>broader community to   | Korin Gamadji<br>Institute | 36) Richmond to offer a Dreamtime membership<br>and produce Dreamtime merchandise with all<br>proceeds going to the KGI programs   | May 2015, 2016 |
| connect with Aboriginal<br>& Torres Strait Islander<br>people.   |                            | 37) Invite Aboriginal players and their families to attend Dreamtime and other significant events throughout the year  |                |
|  |                            | 38) Continue to support and promote the Recognise campaign   |                |





# RESPECT CONT.

| Action   | Responsibility                  | Measurable Target  | Timeline        |
|--|---------------------------------|--|-----------------|
|  | Richmond<br>& KGI<br>Management | 39) At least 10% of Richmond employees to attend a selected NAIDOC week event  |                 |
|  |                                 | 40) Host or participate in one internal or external NAIDOC Week event  |                 |
| Recognise and celebrate significant events and   |                                 | 41) Encourage all staff to participate in NAIDOC<br>Week activities  |                 |
| occasions as well as the<br>personal achievements<br>of Aboriginal and<br>Torres Strait Islander<br>players and employees<br>at Richmond, both<br>internally and<br>externally |                                 | 42) Where possible invite Aboriginal and Torres<br>Strait Islander community members and other<br>stakeholders to NAIDOC Week events | July 2015, 2016 |
|  |                                 | 43) Ensure that Aboriginal and Torres Strait<br>Islander staff have access to cultural leave during<br>NAIDOC Week                   |                 |
|  |                                 | 44) At least 4 stories about Richmond's Aboriginal<br>or Torres Strait Islander employees celebrated<br>each year                    |                 |
|  |                                 | 45) Cultural leave options communicated<br>annually to all Aboriginal & Torres Strait<br>Islander employees                          |                 |

# RESPECT CONT.

| Action   | Responsibility                         | Measurable Target  | Timeline |
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|  |  | 46) Overview of the Club's RAP to be included in the Club's induction for all new employees  |          |
|  |  | 47) 100% of employees to have completed<br>unconscious bias training and how to embed<br>values based training by June 2016  |          |
| Continue to build  |  | 48) All employees engaged in at least 2 cultural immersion activities per year   |          |
| cultural competency<br>and understanding<br>across all of our people     | GM People,<br>Culture<br>& Performance | 49) Quarterly meetings held with Indigenous players to discuss cultural wellbeing and support  | December |
| through experiential<br>learning opportunities,<br>training and targeted |  | 50) At least 4 employees from partner<br>organisations to volunteer for a KGI program<br>or event (annually)   | 2016     |
| communications.  |  | 51) Ensure cultural competency is considered<br>throughout the behaviors that relate to the Club<br>values, and is discussed during the biannual<br>employee performance reviews |          |
|  |  | 52) Ensure the Clubs racial vilification policy<br>is reviewed annually and shared with all<br>employees   |          |



Aunty Joy, Dreamtime 2014

# RESPECT CONT.

| Action   | Responsibility                                   | Measurable Target  | Timeline        |
|--|--|--|-----------------|
|  |  | 53) Continue to build and maintain existing relationships with Elders and Traditional Owners   | June 2015, 2016 |
| Continue to  |  | 54) A background and guidelines outlining<br>a Welcome to Country / Acknowledgement<br>of Country ceremony are provided to all<br>Richmond staff and players |                 |
| promote and build<br>understanding around                                  | Indigenous<br>Community<br>Engagement<br>Manager | 55) Welcome to Country is provided at all significant events   |                 |
| Aboriginal & Torres<br>Strait Islander protocols<br>to foster a culturally |  | 56) The Acknowledgement protocols are used<br>for all large Richmond events and Board meetings   |                 |
| safe environment.  |  | 57) Profile Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander artwork throughout the KGI facility  |                 |
|  |  | 58) Continue to increase Aboriginal and Torres<br>Strait Islander theming throughout the KGI facility  |                 |
|  |  | 59) Fly the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island<br>flags at all Richmond facilities  |                 |

### **OPPORTUNITIES**

### Victorian Football League Dreamtime

In 2014, Richmond hosted the inaugural Victorian Football League Dreamtime match against Essendon at the ME Bank Centre, Punt Road Oval.

The celebrations included a Welcome to Country by Aunty Joy Murphy, and young people from the Korin Gamadji Institute's REAL Program offering gum leaves and face painting to the crowd to share their culture and traditions.

The Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander flags were painted on Punt Road Oval for the special match, as well as the Recognise logo, to support the national campaign for Australians to be recognised in the Constitution as the first peoples of this country. An impressive 2500 people signed up to the Recognise campaign at Punt Road Oval and the Melbourne Cricket Ground, on the day of Dreamtime.

Richmond footballer, Orren Stephenson was voted best-on-ground during the match and received the inaugural Sir Doug Nicholls Award. The award is named in honour of former Fitzroy and Northcote footballer, boxer and runner, Pastor Sir Douglas Nicholls. A pioneer in campaigning for rights, Nicholls, a proud Yorta Yorta man, fought hard to bring about understanding and equality.

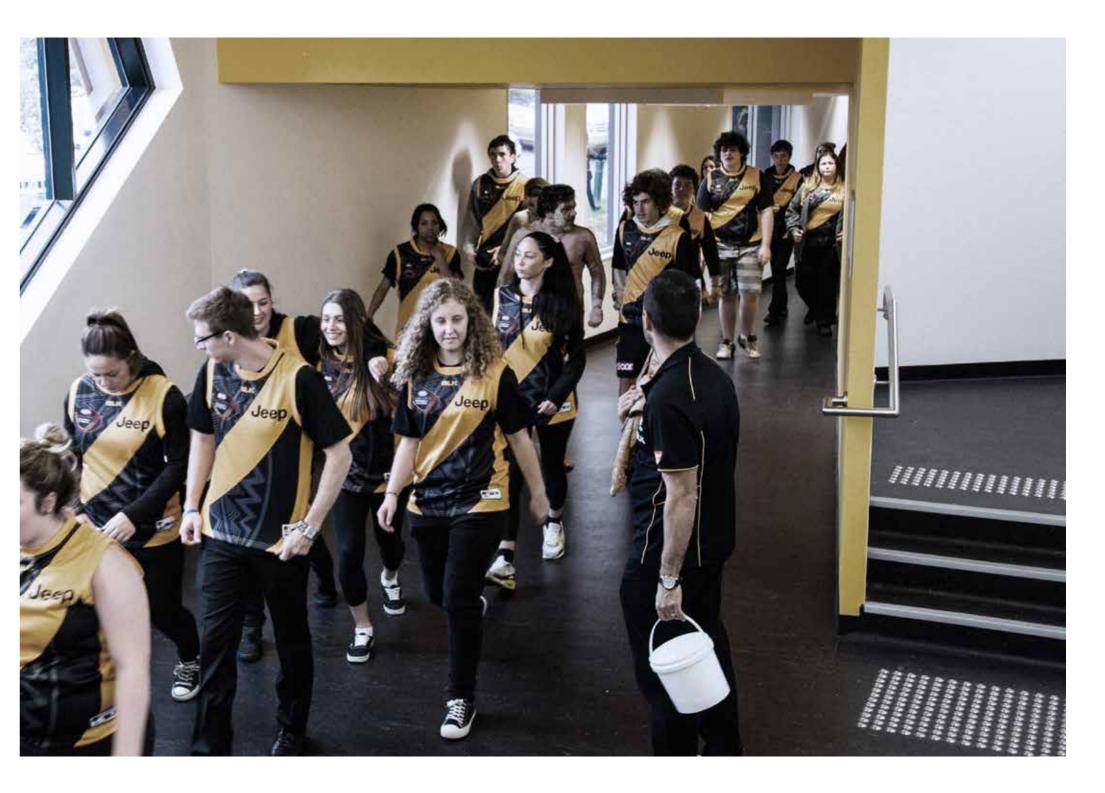
Stephenson was proud to be the inaugural winner of the award.

"I think it's great that Richmond along with Essendon are celebrating Dreamtime at the VFL level. For non Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders like myself, initiatives like these are important as they help educate and connect people throughout the community. I'm proud to be the inaugural winner of an award named after such an inspiring Australian leader; Sir Doug Nicholls." Stephenson said.

### OPPORTUNITIES CONT.

| Action  | Responsibility                                   | Measurable Target   | Timeline         |
|---|--|---|------------------|
|   | Indigenous<br>Community<br>Engagement<br>Manager | 60) At least 200 young people to participate in<br>the Richmond Emerging Aboriginal Leadership<br>(REAL) program each year  |                  |
| To provide leadership<br>building opportunities   |  | 61) REAL program participants to be engaged<br>throughout the year in additional development<br>activities including Youth Parliament, National<br>Centre of Indigenous Excellence, Dreamtime<br>at the 'G and Digital Story Telling Project. |                  |
| and unique experiences<br>to young Aboriginal and<br>Torres Strait Islander                 |  | 62) Pathway developed for REAL program Alumni<br>to become Peer Leaders for the KGI programs.   | December<br>2016 |
| people.   |  | 63) 40 young Indigenous footballers to<br>participate in the Laguntas program, delivered<br>in partnership with AFLVic  |                  |
|   |  | 64) Scope opportunities to engage KGI<br>participants with participants from other Club<br>programs (eg. AFL Multicultural Program) to<br>encourage cross cultural awareness  |                  |
| To make facilities<br>at Punt Road Oval<br>available for Indigenous<br>events and meetings. | ad Oval of<br>or Indigenous Community            | 65) Facilities at Punt Road Oval to be made<br>available for use by Aboriginal and Torres Strait<br>Islander groups and other AFL industry groups<br>during NAIDOC week   |                  |
|   |  | 66) Punt Road Oval to be made available<br>for at least 3 Indigenous football programs each<br>year (eg. Footy Means Business, AFLVic Kickstart<br>Academy, Worowa College & Fitzroy Stars<br>Football Club)                                  | July 2015, 2016  |





# **OPPORTUNITIES** CONT.

| Action   | Responsibility                             | Measurable Target   | Timeline       |
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|  |  | 67) Richmond to create an Indigenous talent pool for Richmond vacancies, and actively advertise positions through Indigenous networks                                   |                |
|  |  | 68) Richmond to maintain a level of at least 5%<br>Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander employees   |                |
|  |  | 69) Ensure career development plans are in place<br>for all A&TSI employees   |                |
| Champion employment<br>opportunities within  | Director,<br>Korin<br>Gamadji<br>Institute | 70) KGI to place at least 30 Aboriginal or Torres<br>Strait Islander people into ongoing employment<br>per year   | May 2015, 2016 |
| all departments of<br>Richmond, through our<br>partners and through<br>other employers | Richmond<br>Senior<br>Management<br>Team   | 71) KGI to provide opportunities for 2 elite<br>Indigenous athletes to work for the Institute each<br>year  |                |
| other employers  |  | 72) Provide at least one Indigenous traineeship to<br>Local Aboriginal people each year   |                |
|  |  | 73) Develop a plan to scope employment<br>pathways for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander<br>peoples across the club   |                |
|  |  | 74) Support a pathway for Richmond Aboriginal<br>and Torres Strait Islander players to be in<br>a position where they can sit on the AFLPA<br>Indigenous Advisory Board |                |



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| Champion employment<br>opportunities within<br>all departments of<br>Richmond, through our<br>partners and through<br>other employers | Director,<br>Korin<br>Gamadji<br>Institute<br>Richmond<br>Senior<br>Management<br>Team | <ul> <li>75)Develop and implement a mentoring program<br/>for A&amp;TSI staff and players</li> <li>76) Ensure a succession plan for key A&amp;TSI<br/>staff is included in the Richmond &amp; TICF Risk<br/>Management Plan.</li> </ul> | July 2015, 2016 |
| Champion procurement<br>and within all<br>departments of<br>Richmond, through our<br>partners and through<br>other employers          |  | 77) Richmond to scope procurement opportunities with Supply Nation  |                 |
|   | Richmond<br>Senior<br>Management<br>Team   | 78) Provide Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander<br>businesses the opportunity to be co-located in<br>KGI  |                 |
|   |  | 79) Provide support and mentoring for Aboriginal<br>and Torres Strait Islander businesses located in<br>KGI   |                 |
|   |  | 80) Encourage contractors and business partners<br>to use/provide products from Aboriginal and<br>Torres Strait Islander business   | July 2015, 2016 |
|   |  | 81) Review Richmond tender and procurement policies and procedures  |                 |
|   |  | 82) Create and maintain a database of key<br>Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander suppliers and<br>share with other AFL clubs  |                 |

# **OPPORTUNITIES** CONT.

| Action   | Responsibility                         | Measurable Target   | Timeline         |
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| Engage Club partners<br>in our RAP, encourage<br>them to implement<br>their own Plan<br>and support them<br>throughout the journey   | Head<br>of<br>Community                | 83) All Richmond partners to be sent a copy of its 2015-2016 RAP (June 2015)  | December<br>2016 |
|  |  | 84) Support provided to at least one Club partner each year in the development of their RAP                                       |                  |
|  |  | 85) Invite all partners to RAP related events   |                  |
|  |  | 86) Richmond to send an eDM to its members,<br>and post a website story, about the launch of its<br>RAP                           |                  |
| Strengthen our<br>community's<br>understanding about<br>the significance<br>of Recognition in<br>Australia's constitution<br>through innovative<br>means and using the<br>power of sport | GM People,<br>Culture<br>& Performance | 87) All employees and the Richmond board to be briefed on the Recognise campaign  | May 2015, 2016   |
|  |  | 88) Select 2 players to promote the Recognise campaign through Richmond communications  |                  |
|  |  | 89) 2000+ people signed up to the Recognise<br>campaign on the day of Dreamtime at the 'G   |                  |
|  |  | 90) Include details of the campaign on the<br>Richmond and KGI websites   |                  |
|  |  | 91) Recognise branding to be included across<br>all possible properties for Dreamtime at the 'G,<br>including the players jumpers |                  |

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# OPPORTUNITIES CONT.

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| Continue to actively promote, support and   |                         | 92) Richmond to profile the KGI through internal<br>and external communications, particularly during<br>Dreamtime week | May 2015, 2016 |
| build capacity of the<br>Korin Gamadji Institute<br>to drive greater<br>outcomes for Aboriginal | Head<br>of<br>Community | 93) Engage ME Bank tenant, Kalinya<br>Communications, in developing a<br>Communications plan for KGI                   |                |
| & Torres Strait Islander<br>people  |                         | 94) Richmond to continue providing services to KGI in areas including finance, marketing and multimedia.               |                |



Dustin Martin & Neville Jetta



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### When Neville Jetta isn't busy playing football with the Melbourne Football Club, he is working with the Korin Gamadji Institute (KGI) as a facilitator and role model for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander youth.

Jetta began working with the KGI in February 2013, providing positive support for young people aged 13-18. Throughout 2014 he will focus his attention on the Institute's Laguntas Program, which is now in its second year.

Laguntas is a high performance football development program for young Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander men aged 16-18, which also aims to support cultural strengthening, leadership, health, education and training and employment pathways.

His role in the program goes beyond the football field. He has been working closely with fellow KGI facilitator and Richmond midfielder, Dustin Martin, to prepare and deliver personal development sessions for the Laguntas.

Their sessions are tailored to provide guidance through elite pathways and share strategies on successful approaches to personal growth.

"If I can help them in any way to take them to the next step, I'll do it, because I didn't have that when I was their age." Jetta said.

When speaking with the Laguntas participants at the KGI, Jetta is able to share his own journey and reflect on the challenges and success he has had as a young player.

Richmond footballer Shane Edwards, who has family connections with the Arrente tribe in Northern Territory, is thrilled the KGI has become a welcoming place for all people, not just those in the yellow and black.

"We want the KGI to be a welcoming place for all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, regardless of what colours they wear on the weekend at the footy. It's great to see Nev and other footballers using the KGI to support their development, and contributing to the development of others." Edwards said.

The Laguntas Program is a joint initiative by the Korin Gamadji Institute and AFL Victoria, and is supported by the Victorian Electoral Commission.

### REPORTING

### The Chair of Richmond's RAP Committee will be responsible for the timely submission of the following reports:

| Action  | Responsibility                                    | Measurable Target  | Timeline              |
|---|---|--|-----------------------|
| To continually monitor<br>and progress RAP<br>actions.  | Chair of<br>RAP Committee<br>and<br>RAP Committee | 95) RAP progress report included in the<br>Richmond Football Club and Tigers in Community<br>Foundation board papers                                   | September<br>annually |
|   |   | 96) Impact Measurement Questionnaire<br>submitted to Reconciliation Australia annually<br>(September)  |                       |
|   |   | 97) RAP Impact Barometer completed by<br>Richmond employees biennially   |                       |
|   |   | 98) RAP results to be incorporated where<br>possible into other Club community impact<br>assessment reports (i.e. London Benchmarking<br>Group report) |                       |
| To prepare annual RAP<br>Report and Refresh for<br>Reconciliation Australia,<br>Richmond Board and<br>TICF Board. | Head<br>of<br>Community                           | 99) RAP Report registered and made publicly<br>available on the Richmond and Reconciliation<br>Australia websites                                      | September<br>annually |
|   |   | 100) RAP Refresh registered and made publicly available on the Richmond and Reconciliation Australia websites  |                       |





### SIR DOUG NICHOLLS BEST PLAYER AWARD

2014 VFL DREAMTIME GAME RICHMOND V ESSENDON

"I love football. I love every moment of it. To me football is more than a mere game. It's not only a wonderful recreation, but an inspiration and a mental and physical to

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