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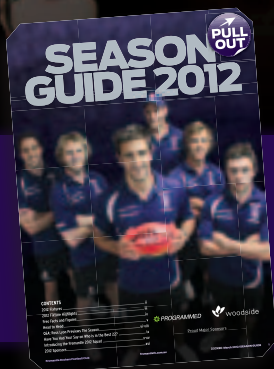
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# PURPLE POCKET

Compiled by Kasey Ball and Costa Kastanis



## FREO BOYS SUPPORT WINMAR CARNIVAL

ANTONI GROVER, Jordan Wilson-King and Jonathon Griffin were just a few of the players on hand on Saturday 18 February at Bendigo Bank Stadium to support the inaugural Nicky Winmar carnival.

The carnival was established to target Indigenous youth, with the aim of getting them back into the football system at club level.

Development coach Roger Hayden also went along to the event and said it was a great experience for the players to be a part of.

"It was a really great day down in Mandurah. We had the opportunity to meet local elders as well as some local coaches and players," Hayden said.

"And for some of our boys to be able to meet a past player of the calibre of Nicky Winmar was a real highlight for them."

As great role models to the Aboriginal community, it was no wonder the Freo boys created quite a buzz amongst the crowd.‡

## WELCOME TO THE AFL

FREMANTLE'S FIRST YEAR players attended the AFL Players Association Induction Camp early in January. They were given guidance on the AFL journey they were about to embark on from past and present players.

The sessions included presentations on life skills, decision making, diversity in the AFL, respect and responsibility, illicit drugs and gambling.

The event was also an important opportunity to introduce the players to the comprehensive support and education programs that will continue throughout their careers and beyond.‡



## SOS STRIKES THEM OUT

ALEX 'SOS' SILVAGNI took to the mound in January to throw the celebratory first pitch at a Perth Heat baseball game.

Eager to impress the crowd at Barbagallo Ballpark, he warmed up by throwing a splitter-ball.

Unfortunately for 'SOS', the only split was in his shorts, as can be seen in this photo.

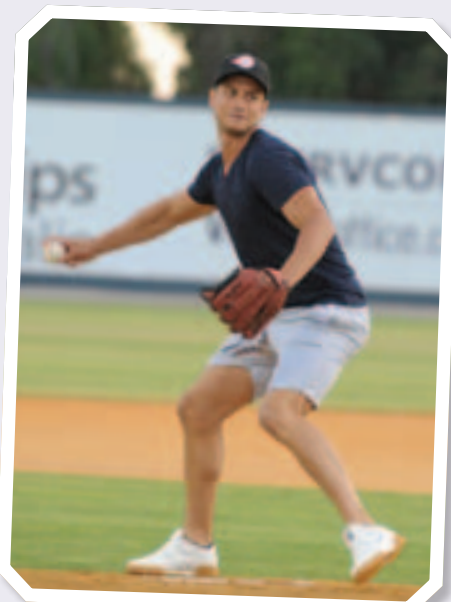
No, it wasn't a fashion statement.

Despite the wardrobe malfunction, Silvagni enjoyed the opportunity to throw the first pitch.

"It was a lot of fun and quite an honour actually," he said.

"We always love to get out and support West Australian teams from other codes."

Silvagni has indicated he won't be wearing tight denim shorts should he get the call up from Perth Heat again.‡



## PARLIAMENTARY VISIT

DURING PRE-SEASON training, Matthew Pavlich received a visit from the Liberal MHR, Ken Wyatt, who is an avid Freo supporter.

'Pav' wanted to ensure the Member for Hasluck had something to hang in his Canberra office, so he presented him with a signed Freo jumper.

Good work 'Pav'.‡





# FROM THE FREO SPHERE...

A look at what's been happening with the players on Twitter over the pre-season:

**Matt de Boer**  
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### Introducing the 2012 Ambassadors...



**M**ATT DE BOER missed the first two opportunities in his career to play in a Starlight Purple Haze Game, and the 21-year-old Freo Docker was well aware of that heading into his third AFL season in 2011.

After missing round 1 in Brisbane with a hamstring injury, it looked like de Boer was set to sit out again as Freo prepared to face Geelong at Patersons Stadium in round 2, 2011.

Thankfully for de Boer, he recovered and took his place in the Starlight Purple Haze Game for the first time.

"I was lucky enough to wear my first Starlight Purple Haze jumper, which is a big deal to me," he said.

"That was a real honour."

### REWARDING

Playing held a little bit of extra significance for de Boer, not just because it was an AFL game.

He was the newest Starlight Purple Haze Ambassador, a role he took great pride in performing in the weeks leading up to the game as he joined teammates Aaron Sandilands, Chris Mayne, Garrick Ibbotson and Byron Schammer to visit Princess Margaret Hospital and help conduct various other fund-raising events.

De Boer said it was incredibly rewarding just to see the smile on a child's face.

"They see us walk in with the purple shirts on and they think we're superheroes," he said.

"We're not of course, we're just there to have a good time with them and they give a lot back to us, too."

De Boer said he would definitely be putting his body on the line for the children if he plays in the 2012 Starlight Purple Haze Game.

"The kids are going to be down there with us, and you know they get such enjoyment out of that and you just want to get up for them," he said.

"It's a great day all round."

Alex Silvagni's first Starlight Purple Haze Game in round 1, 2010 was





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also very special to him – it was his AFL debut.

He admits, however, that he found it difficult to take in the whole Starlight Purple Haze occasion.

"It was my first game and that's what I was focusing on, so it was tough to see what else was going on with the game," he said.

But Silvagni was injured in 2011, so he joined his non-playing teammates around the Patersons Stadium precinct to rattle tins and himself managed to collect almost \$500 for Starlight.

"It had an impact," he said.

"I actually thought about it and was able to put things into perspective and realise what a worthwhile cause it is."

### INFLUENCE

Silvagni is now a Starlight Purple Haze Ambassador in 2012, replacing the retired Schammer.

He's already been touched by the significance of not just the game itself, but the duty that comes with being a Starlight Purple Haze Ambassador.

"You see the impact that your visit can have on the kids," he said.

"You want to have an influence and show them that there's a light at the end of the tunnel.

"That's important for me personally, to give back to the kids that are less fortunate than me."

Both de Boer and Silvagni had a message to all the fans out there.

"It's important to dig deep and find as much money as you can," Silvagni said.

"There might be kids in their hospital beds not able to attend, so dig deep and give to a great cause."

"It'll be our first game for 2012 and I just can't wait to see all the fans out in force helping create the Purple Haze," de Boer said. ‡



### A BIG ACHIEVEMENT

THE STARLIGHT PURPLE HAZE GAME and Aaron Sandilands have a lot in common – they both debuted in 2003 and have become bigger and better every year since.

The champion ruckman doesn't remember too much about the first Purple Haze game, against Richmond in round 18, other than it was a long time ago.

But he does recall how much purple there was in the crowd.

"I remember running out and seeing the Purple Haze. The fans and supporters got right behind the game," he says.

Sandilands is in a good position to talk about how much bigger the game has become since 2003.

"It has grown year by year and the amount of money that's been raised has shown that," he says.

"It's great that all our members and supporters get behind the day."

The three-time All-Australian says he'd always hoped back in 2003 that the Starlight Purple Haze Game would grow and become an annual event on Freo's calendar.

"When you know that it helps out so many kids, it really makes it all worthwhile," he says.

Sandilands is now in his sixth year as a Starlight Purple Haze Ambassador, a role he cherishes greatly.

"When you go to Princess Margaret Hospital and you spend time with some kids that are really struggling, it means a lot to know that you can put a smile on their face," he says.

"It just puts life into perspective a bit."

Sandilands says it's important for all Freo fans to keep supporting the Starlight Purple Haze Game.

"In round 1 we'll be playing the defending AFL Premiers, Geelong, under lights at Patersons Stadium on a Saturday night," he says.

"We'll run out and see a swarm of purple in the crowd, which gives us a little reminder of the importance of the day.

"Hopefully, we can get a win and raise a lot of money for the Starlight Children's Foundation."





# FREO INTO THE FUTURE

**Michael Barlow and a select group of his teammates, earmarked as the next leaders of the club, travelled to Melbourne recently for an experience of a lifetime. They learnt many things, but the most important lesson was that leadership doesn't happen overnight. Story: Costa Kastanis**



*The emerging Leaders group with Australian basketball legend Luc Longley at the MCG*



**T**HE FREMANTLE Dockers know that if they are to compete with the AFL's elite teams, they must enhance their on-field leaders to take the club into the future.

So when Roderick Brown, chairman of engineering company RCR Tomlinson, approached the club in early 2011 about establishing a scholarship in the memory of the late Jeff Hogan, who passed away in December 2010, the Emerging Leaders Experience was created.

Hogan, a former director of RCR Tomlinson, was an ardent and passionate supporter of the club.

He developed relationships with young Fremantle Dockers players and was often regarded as a mentor to many of them.

## DEVELOPMENT

While Fremantle possesses a strong, experienced core leadership group in players such as Matthew Pavlich, Aaron Sandilands, Luke McPharlin and David Mundy, the club has drafted 37 first year players in the past four drafts.

It's this next phase of players that the club has targeted for leadership development.

So Alex Silvagni, Hayden Ballantyne, Michael Barlow, Greg Broughton, Nathan Fyfe, Stephen Hill, Nick Suban and Anthony Morabito were chosen to attend the inaugural RCR Tomlinson Jeff Hogan Emerging Leaders Experience in Melbourne from 17 to 19 November, 2011.

It could be because of the long struggle he fought to make it into the AFL, or his subsequent battle to return from a broken leg, but Barlow already possesses strong mental toughness and leadership qualities.

But he acknowledged how much he still has to learn and the value of the Emerging Leaders Experience.

"You can't just get up out of bed one morning and say 'I want to be a captain or in the leadership group'," he said.

"It culminates over days, months and years and anything the club can do to fast track this is going to benefit the Fremantle Dockers in the future."

## HISTORY

The players took part in a series of activities aimed at enhancing their leadership skills and abilities.

One that stood out for Barlow was a



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**— MICHAEL BARLOW**

tour of the Melbourne Cricket Ground.

"Most of us had played there before but we had not seen what goes on behind the scenes," he said.

"Most of the boys are West Australians and didn't understand the heritage of the MCG and the esteem that Grand Final day is held in.

"I think walking around the ground and seeing all the work that goes on to preserve its history and recognise the feats of heroes from days gone by really struck a chord with all of us."

Another highlight was meeting three-time NBA champion and Australian Olympian Luc Longley.

"I could listen to his stories about his era all day," Barlow said. "He's an Aussie icon. What he did in the NBA doesn't happen every day for Australians.

"He spoke about all the different personalities and leaders he encountered during his time at the Chicago Bulls."

## LEGENDARY

One story Barlow found particularly interesting was about Longley's former teammate – the legendary Michael Jordan.

"While Jordan was probably the greatest of all time, Luc told us how even he had to be challenged by his teammates when it needed to be done," Barlow said.

"There were situations when even Michael Jordan had to be pulled into line. These are things you don't see on YouTube highlight videos.

"The fact he was the best player in that team and the world didn't make him the most important or the best leader."

## MENTAL TOUGHNESS

The Freo boys also met Longley's fellow Aussie basketball star, Andrew Gaze, and the captain of Geelong's 2007 and 2009 Premiership teams, Tom Harley.

Barlow was inspired by the former Cat's story, which he probably felt parallels with.

"Tom acknowledged that he was never the most talented footballer," Barlow said. "Some guys can get by because of their 60m kick or their speed.

"Tom Harley didn't have any of those. He had to draw on all of the skills he had, of which he said 80 per cent existed between his ears.

"The mental toughness he displayed in being able to become the captain of a great club was a credit to him and an inspiration for the rest of us."

## AURA

That great club has set a benchmark of sustained success that Barlow said Fremantle aimed to attain.



» “I remember playing against Geelong in my first year,” he said. “It was a massive eye-opener.

“The respect you have for those kind of players that have been doing it day-in-day-out for a sustained period of time is substantial.

“The way they handle themselves and carry themselves, not just on the field but off it as well, is tremendous. They can be intimidating figures because of the aura they’ve created for themselves.

“That’s the aura we’re trying to create at our club.”

Barlow said every player that went to Melbourne benefitted greatly from the experience.

“It felt like we got better every day that we were there,” he said.

“It took a little bit to get the ball rolling, but all the personalities in this group respond well to that sort of environment. We bonded, became more proactive and flourished as time went by.”

#### TRIGGER

The former VFL star now said he and his teammates couldn’t wait to begin

The players take a tour of the MCG



expressing themselves on and off the field, no matter what the situation.

“We’ve talked about how it’s all good to be that leading influence when you’re winning, but there will be times when things don’t go your way,” he said.

“We’ve talked about finding that trigger that promotes good behaviours when this is the case. That goes for on the field or off the field.

“And we’ve spoken about how we can encourage those around us to follow our example.”‡

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# IN IT TOGETHER

**A journey that began years ago in an isolated small town has forged a friendship that the Fremantle Dockers have only made stronger.  
Story: Costa Kastanis**

**L**ACHIE NEALE AND Alex Forster have been friends for so long, they can't even remember when and where they first met.

The pair look at each other and try to deduce how long they've been mates.

"I think it's been about eight years," Neale says to Forster, who nods and says: "Yeah, probably eight or nine years."

The pair have a tendency to finish or add to each other's sentences.

Both were born in a small town called Naracoorte, about three-and-a-half-hours drive from Adelaide.

"It's a nice little place of about 10,000 people," Forster says. "I spent the first 14 years of my life there and have some really good memories of the place."

Neale lived on a farm, just a bit out of town, until he was also 14.

It was in tiny Kybybolite, affectionately known as 'Kybee', where their football journey together began.

A small settlement just 20km from Naracoorte with a population of about 500 people, 'Kybee' is your typical outback Australian town.

It has some farms, a few houses, a post office and a footy oval where the cars tooting their horns after every goal can sometimes outnumber the spectators on the banks.

Neale says if he had to paint a picture of the place, it wouldn't be very big.

## SUCCESS

Neale started playing for Kybybolite Football Club when he was 10, and Forster, whose father was coaching the A-Grade at the time, a year later.

But it wasn't until the under 14s that the pair ended up in the same team, and success soon followed.

In 2004 and 2005, Neale and Forster enjoyed premierships together in a 'Kybee' team that was captained by Naracoorte boy and current Melbourne skipper Jack Trengrove.

"There was actually four on the trot and we played in a couple of them," Forster says.

"It was a pretty handy side."

"Yeah, I was forward pocket and Alex back pocket, so we didn't get much of a go," Neale adds.

There must be something in the water in 'Kybee' considering three players from one junior team made it to the top level of the game. Another of Freo's 2011 draftees, Cam Sutcliffe, is also from Naracoorte.

## DRAFT DAY

Following the 'Kybee' years, Neale and Forster moved to Adelaide where both wound up as members of South Australia's State under 18s side in 2011. Forster gained All Australian selection for his efforts off half-back.

The night before the 2011 National Draft, Neale and Forster joked about ending up at the same club.

"We didn't think it would actually happen," Forster says.

On draft day, the pair hung out, playing FIFA soccer on Play Station 3 until about an hour before the first player's name was called out at the Sydney Olympic Park Sports Centre. They abandoned the button bashing and parted ways to join their families and friends back home, with eyes glued to their television sets.

Neale was surprised when he heard Sam Kerridge's name called out by the Adelaide Crows at pick 27.

"I thought the Crows were definitely going to take Alex at 27 and then that didn't happen," he says.

"I knew he was going to go soon after that.

"So when Freo called his name out at 29, all my family, because we know his family pretty well, just jumped up and were pretty excited for him."

But after the commotion died down, Neale refocused his attention to the TV in angst.

Twenty-eight picks passed by and still nothing.

"I thought I might have been in a bit of strife," Neale says.

With pick 58, the Fremantle Dockers selected Neale and, in doing so, ensured his journey would continue on the same path as his best mate's.

"We knew Freo were interested in both of us," Forster says.

"We'd had interviews with them and, when I was selected by Freo, there was all the celebrations, but then I settled down to see where Lach was going to go.

"I remember when his name got called out there was about 30 people in my house watching and everyone just



L-R: Melbourne skipper Jack Trengrove with Freo recruits Lachie Neale and Alex Forster in the Kybybolite Junior FC under 14s team, 2005



In it together: Lachie Neale (left) and Alex Forster

went nuts. Everyone was just screaming for about 10 minutes straight.

"It was intense and it didn't sink in for a fair while."

Forster tried to call his old teammate who was now his new teammate, but couldn't get through.

"I was pretty excited and my family was going nuts and quickly realised that Alex and I were at the same club, so my phone was going pretty nuts," Neale says.

Forster eventually got through.

"We spoke for about five minutes, pretty much yelling and crying. It was awesome," he says.

That wasn't the only call the boys took that night.

"We got a phone call from Matthew Pavlich," Forster says.

"That was just freaky, picking up the

phone and hearing 'G'day it's Matthew Pavlich here'.

"That helped it sink in a little bit and then you're getting texts from David Mundy and Nick Lower. It was an amazing experience."

## INSPIRATION

Neale and Forster both regarded fellow South Australian Pavlich as an inspiration growing up.

"I think South Australians still reckon he is theirs," Forster says.

"Pav" is seen as one of the game's greats. He's been in Perth for 13 years now and he's been one of the best players to play the game."

Upon arriving at Fremantle headquarters, the star struck youngsters couldn't help but be in awe of their new workplace.

"You walk in and you see these stars - 'Pav', Aaron Sandilands, David Mundy," Neale says.

"And just how big the organisation is," Forster adds.

"It's not just the blokes on the playing list. There are people everywhere and it shows you just how much work goes into an AFL club."

## HUMBLE

Neale and Forster are intensely competitive against each other.

"Every single thing we do we try and beat each other," Forster says.

Whether it's basketball as youngsters, in which Forster made the State team, table tennis, or FIFA on the PS3, neither likes to lose to the other.

Neale admits Forster has him beat at hoops, while FIFA is split down the middle.

"But I beat him in table tennis, so that's all that matters," Neale says with a cheeky smile.

When it comes to the sport that matters - Aussie Rules - both boys are surprisingly humble, giving the other credit.

"It's really hard to say, probably Fors," Neale says.

"I reckon I took a little longer to find my feet. I didn't quite play as good footy as Lach," Forster replies.

"I reckon he's been pretty solid all the way through."

## CONSISTENT

While they've played juniors, State, been drafted and now live together, Neale and Forster have also been allocated to the same WAFL club - Swan Districts.

Both would rather be playing in a purple jumper come the weekends, however.

"I just want to play some consistent footy, wherever that may be," Neale says.

"If that's at Swans then I'll try and crack into the Freo side and hopefully I can debut this year."

If, and when, these two young South Australians play in the same team for the Fremantle Dockers, it will add to an amazing journey together that began... well, they don't remember when it began.

All that matters is they're still in it together.‡



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**B**EFORE THE action began on the field for the NAB Cup match against Richmond at Patersons Stadium on Sunday 4 March, the Fremantle Dockers treated fans to the 2012 Family Fun Day festivities.

Held at Kitchener Park and around the stadium precinct, members and supporters got to mix and mingle with the non-playing players during a fun-filled afternoon.

Hundreds of youngsters got to test their abilities in draft combine-like skills tests.

David Mundy measured some impressive leaps at the vertical jump station, while Alex Forster and



Haiden Schloithe, who were at the AFL combine not that long ago, tested the children's speed and agility by timing them as they ran around some inflatable Freo tackle buddies.

### PASSIONATE

There were lots of other activities to keep everyone entertained, with a bouncy castle, face painting, bubble blowing and live music also on offer.

Before the bounce it was fantastic to see KidZone Club competition entrants form a guard of honour for the players and have our new Number One Junior Fan, Madison Jeffery run out as the Docker For A Day.

As AC/DC's TNT pumped around Patersons following the win over the Tigers, the Freo squad spread across the boundary line fence to meet fans and sign autographs, capping off a great day all round for the club and all of our passionate members.⚓



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## 2012 Season Fixtures

### FIXTURE

### FINAL SCORES

ROUND	DATE/BOUNCEDOWN (local time)	OPPONENT	VENUE	H/A	FREMANTLE			OPPONENT		
					Goals	Behinds	Total	Goals	Behinds	Total
Round 1	Saturday 31 March at 4:45pm	Geelong	Patersons Stadium	Home						
Round 2	Saturday 7 April at 2:10pm	Sydney	SCG	Away						
Round 3	Saturday 14 April at 2:40pm	Brisbane	Patersons Stadium	Home						
Round 4	Friday 20 April at 7:50pm	St Kilda	Etihad Stadium	Away						
Round 5	Friday 27 April at 6:40pm	Carlton	Patersons Stadium	Home						
Round 6	Saturday 5 May at 4:40pm	Gold Coast	Metricon Stadium	Away						
Round 7	Sunday 13 May at 2:40pm	Port Adelaide	Patersons Stadium	Home						
Round 8	Saturday 19 May at 2:10pm	Hawthorn	Aurora Stadium	Away						
Round 9	Sunday 27 May at 2:40pm	West Coast	Patersons Stadium	Away						
Round 10	Saturday 2 June at 2:40pm	Adelaide	Patersons Stadium	Home						
Round 11	Saturday 9 June at 1:40pm	Richmond	MCG	Away						
Round 12	Bye									
Round 13	Saturday 23 June at 5:40pm	Essendon	Patersons Stadium	Home						
Round 14	Saturday 30 June at 1:45pm	Collingwood	MCG	Away						
Round 15	Sunday 8 July at 2:40pm	Western Bulldogs	Patersons Stadium	Home						
Round 16	Saturday 14 July at 1:45pm	Melbourne	Etihad Stadium	Away						
Round 17	Sunday 22 July at 2:40pm	Greater Western Sydney	Patersons Stadium	Home						
Round 18	Sunday 29 July at 12:40pm	Port Adelaide	AAMI Stadium	Away						
Round 19	Saturday 4 August at 2:40pm	West Coast	Patersons Stadium	Home						
Round 20	Saturday 11 August at 1:40pm	Adelaide	AAMI Stadium	Away						
Round 21	Saturday 18 August at 2:40pm	Richmond	Patersons Stadium	Home						
Round 22	Sunday 26 August at 3:15pm	North Melbourne	Etihad Stadium	Away						
Round 23	TBC	Melbourne	Patersons Stadium	Home						

## 2012 Fixture Highlights

THE 2012 HOME and away season will offer some tantalising matchups for the Fremantle Dockers. Perhaps none more so than the very first challenge Ross Lyon's men will face this year. And what a challenge it is: a date with the reigning premiers Geelong under lights at what should be a sold-out Patersons Stadium. This fixture will also be the 10th annual Starlight Purple Haze Game, a game the boys in purple take great pride in.

It will be a big match for both teams. Fremantle will be eager to rebound under its new regime after a disappointing 2011 season. The Cats are the defending champions but have lost brilliant skipper Cameron Ling and influential ruckman Brad Ottens to retirement. Cam Mooney and Darren Milburn are also gone, and the club's deep advance into the 2011 finals means teams like Freo will have jumped out of the pre-season starting blocks much earlier. Still, there is ample class in the Geelong machine, with new skipper Joel Selwood at the forefront of a brilliant band of midfield



maestros including Jimmy Bartel, Steve Johnson, Paul Chapman and James Kelly.

### OMINOUS

The eyes of footy fans all over Australia will be firmly focused on the Friday night footy stage in round 4 when Fremantle faces up to St Kilda, the team Ross Lyon led into three Grand Finals. This promises to be an intense contest at Etihad Stadium, a venue Fremantle struggled at in 2011.

But Lyon built an ominous record at the ground when in charge of the Saints and he will be looking to pass on all his knowledge of the ground to his new troops. St Kilda possesses a classy, experienced midfield unit which should throw up some great matchups in the engine room as Michael Barlow, David Mundy and Nat Fyfe could potentially lock horns with Nick Dal Santo, Leigh Montagna and Lenny Hayes. Up front, Nick Riewoldt is still the man for the Saints, although Freo warhorse Luke McPharlin will be looking to keep him goalless for a third straight match.

There's no jumping off the blockbuster bandwagon, with Carlton next on the

menu at Patersons Stadium for the Len Hall Tribute match in round 5. The Blues have improved steadily over the past couple of years, to the point where last year the club was knocking on the door of the top four. Chris Judd and his Carlton teammates will present Fremantle with yet another tough challenge in front of the parochial Patersons Stadium crowd.

Round 6 will see Fremantle travel to play Gold Coast at Metricon Stadium for the first time, while the arduous journey to the Apple Isle is back on the menu in round 8 when the club faces a powerful Hawthorn unit at Aurora Stadium. After falling agonisingly short of making the Grand Final in 2011, the Hawks are considered a major threat to take home the Premiership Cup this season, so it promises to be a major test in how far Fremantle have come.

### DERBY

Round 9 presents Fremantle with the opportunity to regain local bragging rights when it faces off against West Coast in the Carlton Mid Derby. There's

no doubt the port club has been waiting for the chance at retribution ever since Hayden Ballantyne's after-the-siren set shot for goal sailed into the post in round 18 last year, leaving Freo with a demoralising one-point loss. This one's an away game for Freo, however, with a home derby set for round 19.

### MECCA

In what will be one of the club's most testing encounters of the year, Fremantle step up to face 2011 runners-up Collingwood at the MCG in round 14. The Pies are tough to beat anywhere, but defeating them at the Mecca of football will take a giant team effort from all 22 players that pull on the Freo jumper that afternoon. The Pies run as deep as any side in the competition, with reigning Brownlow Medallist Dane Swan and Scott Pendlebury leading the charge. Favourite son Nathan Buckley is the new coach, taking the reins from Mick Malthouse. Ross Lyon knows the Pies well, having coached the Saints to a Grand Final draw and replay, which Collingwood won, in 2010.

Another historic fixture beckons in round 17 when the AFL's newest team, Greater Western Sydney and former Freo Docker Rhys Palmer, coached by VFL/AFL legend Kevin Sheedy, travel to Perth to face Freo at Patersons Stadium.

After having to travel east for the final fixture in 2011, Fremantle is back in Perth against Melbourne at Patersons Stadium to round up the 2012 home and away season. Should the club qualify for the Finals Series, it will no doubt be a huge bonus having this match staged in the West.





## Freo Facts and Figures

### PLAYERS USED

Year	Players Used	Debuts
1995	41	25
1996	39	8
1997	38	5
1998	39	6
1999	39	6
2000	36	6
2001	37	5
2002	34	7
2003	32	3
2004	33	5
2005	34	4
2006	35	4
2007	40	5
2008	38	4
2009	40	11
2010	38	7
2011	40	9



Mundy could reach life membership

### LARGEST FIRST QUARTER DEFICIT TO COME BACK AND WIN

**31 points** v Geelong, Subiaco Oval, round 7, 1999

### LARGEST HALF-TIME DEFICIT TO COME BACK AND WIN

**32 points** v West Coast, Subiaco Oval, round 21, 2000

### LARGEST THIRD QUARTER DEFICIT TO COME BACK AND WIN

**18 points** v West Coast, Subiaco Oval, round 21, 2000

### MOST POINTS IN ANY QUARTER

**64 (10.4)** Third Quarter, v Kangaroos, Subiaco Oval, round 4, 2003

**64 (10.4)** Third Quarter, v Kangaroos, Subiaco Oval, round 10, 2010

### MOST POINTS IN ANY HALF

**111 (17.9)** v Sydney, WACA, round 6, 1995

### MOST ACCURATE QUARTER

**9.1** Third Quarter, v Fitzroy, Subiaco Oval, round 22, 1996

### MOST INDIVIDUAL GOALS IN A GAME

**10** – Tony Modra v Melbourne, MCG, Round 10, 1999

### MOST INDIVIDUAL GOALS IN A SEASON

**72** – Matthew Pavlich 2007

### MOST GOALS ALL-TIME

**489** – Matthew Pavlich

### GREATEST WINNING MARGIN

**112** – v Collingwood, Round 7, 2005, Subiaco Oval

### HIGHEST SCORE

**28.12 (180)** v Collingwood, Round 7, 2005, Subiaco Oval

### MOST CONSECUTIVE WINS

**9** – Round 14, 2006 to Round 22, 2006

### POTENTIAL FREO MILESTONES IN 2012...

After a season of personal milestones in 2011, **Matthew Pavlich** is set to break more records in 2012 – this time on a West Australian football scale.

The skipper has played 256 AFL games heading into this season, leaving him just 21 appearances away from breaking West Coast Eagles' legend Glen Jakovich's long-standing mark of 276 for most AFL games played at a West Australian club.

Pavlich currently sits in fourth position, behind Eagles' Guy McKenna (267) and Drew Banfield (265). If he plays every game, he is scheduled to pass Jakovich in round 22 against North Melbourne at Etihad Stadium.

The Freo captain has another goal in sight – 26 of them to be exact.

He has kicked 489 career goals, leaving him just 11 shy of 500 and 25 short of the WA record of 514 AFL majors his current assistant coach, Peter Sumich, kicked during his esteemed career at West Coast.

A likely move back into attack this season means Pavlich has both these marks well within his sights in 2012.

If that wasn't enough for Freo's milestone man, if he tops Freo's goal kicking this season he will have done so for an eighth occasion – moving ahead of Sumich's seven at West Coast.

Other possible milestones of note at Fremantle in 2012 include club legend **Luke McPharlin's** 200th AFL game.

'Woosh', as he has been affectionately known for most of his 188-game career, could play his milestone match in round 13 against Essendon at Patersons Stadium, if he appears in every match until then.

**David Mundy** is close to playing his 150th and achieving Life Membership status at Fremantle.

He needs just eight appearances to join the likes of **Shane Parker, Shaun McManus, Matthew Pavlich, Aaron Sandilands, Luke McPharlin** and **Antoni Grover**.

If the 26-year-old plays every game, he'll join that group of players as a Freo Life Member in round 8 against Hawthorn at Aurora Stadium.

Here are some more potential Freo milestones for season 2012:

**Paul Duffield:** needs 10 appearances for 100 Freo games (round 10 v Adelaide, Patersons Stadium)

**Garrick Ibbotson:** needs 21 appearances for 100 Freo games (round 22 v North Melbourne, Etihad Stadium)

**Nick Suban:** needs two appearances for 50 Freo games (round 2 v Sydney, SCG)

**Hayden Ballantyne:** needs six appearances for 50 Freo games (round 6 v Gold Coast, Metricon Stadium)

**Nathan Fyfe:** needs 11 appearances for 50 Freo games (round 11 v Richmond, MCG)

**Jonathon Griffin:** needs two appearances for 50 AFL games (round 2 v Sydney, SCG)

**Jack Anthony:** needs three appearances for 50 AFL games (round 3 v Brisbane, Patersons Stadium)

**Nick Lower:** needs 11 appearances for 50 AFL games (round 11 v Richmond, MCG)



Reliable defender McPharlin may join the elite 200 club



Suban should reach 50 games early in the season



## Head to Head

### ADELAIDE

**Head to head: Played – 27, won – 11, lost – 16**



*Last time they met:* Adelaide 7.12 (54) lost to Fremantle 11.13 (79) AAMI Stadium (Rnd 3, 2011)  
*Greatest winning margin:* 56 points (Subiaco, Rnd 1, 2010)  
*Most goals in a game:* 8 – Matthew Pavlich (Rnd 14, 2005)  
*Highest attendance:* 45,436 at AAMI Stadium, Round 1, 2003

### BRISBANE

**Head to head: Played – 19, won – 8, lost – 11**



*Last time they met:* Fremantle 12.16 (88) defeated Brisbane 10.5 (65) Patersons Stadium (Rnd 14, 2011)  
*Greatest winning margin:* 71 points (Subiaco, Rnd 11, 1998)  
*Most goals in a game:* 9 – Paul Medhurst (Rnd 9, 2004)  
*Highest attendance:* 34,143 at Subiaco, Round 11, 2005

### CARLTON

**Head to head: Played – 25, won – 14, lost – 11**



*Last time they met:* Fremantle 12.13 (85) lost to Carlton 16.19 (115) Patersons Stadium (Rnd 21, 2011)  
*Greatest winning margin:* 77 points (Subiaco, Rnd 13, 2007)  
*Most goals in a game:* 9 – Matthew Pavlich (Rnd 16, 2005)  
*Highest attendance:* 39,376 at Subiaco Oval, Round 22, 2010

### COLLINGWOOD

**Head to head: Played – 22, won – 8, lost – 14**



*Last time they met:* Fremantle 8.4 (52) lost to Collingwood 20.12 (132) Patersons Stadium (Rnd 23, 2011)  
*Greatest winning margin:* 112 points (Subiaco, Rnd 7, 2005)  
*Most goals in a game:* 7 – Kingsley Hunter (Rnd 15, 1997)  
*Highest attendance:* 45,383 at MCG, Round 1, 2008

### ESSENDON

**Head to head: Played – 25, won – 9, lost – 16**



*Last time they met:* Fremantle 15.8 (98) defeated Essendon 9.10 (64) Patersons Stadium (Rnd 12, 2011)  
*Greatest winning margin:* 97 points (Subiaco, Rnd 12, 1997)  
*Most goals in a game:* 6 – Tony Modra (Rnd 18, 2000), Matthew Pavlich (Rnd 19, 2007), Matthew Pavlich (Rnd 14, 2008)  
*Highest attendance:* 42,770 at Subiaco Oval, Elimination Final, 2003

### GEELONG

**Head to head: Played – 27, won – 7, lost – 20**



*Last time they met:* Fremantle 10.18 (78) lost to Geelong 13.11 (89) Patersons Stadium (Rnd 2, 2011)  
*Greatest winning margin:* 45 points (Subiaco, Rnd 20, 2002)  
*Most goals in a game:* 6 – Tony Modra (Rnd 7, 1999)  
*Highest attendance:* 45,056 at MCG, Semi-Final, 2010

### GOLD COAST SUNS

**Head to head: Played – 1, won – 1, lost – 0**



*Last time they met:* Fremantle 17.10 (112) defeated Gold Coast 9.8 (62) Patersons Stadium (Rnd 15, 2011)  
*Greatest winning margin:* 50 points (Patersons Stadium, Rnd 15, 2011)  
*Most goals in a game:* 3 – Matthew Pavlich, Hayden Ballantyne, Tendai Mzungu (Rnd 15, 2011)  
*Highest attendance:* 28,646 at Patersons Stadium, Round 15, 2011

### GREATER WESTERN SYDNEY



First game against Fremantle will be held:  
 Sunday 22 July, 2012  
 at Patersons Stadium

### HAWTHORN

**Head to head: Played – 25, won – 7, lost – 18**



*Last time they met:* Fremantle 6.8 (44) lost to Hawthorn 13.17 (95) Patersons Stadium (Rnd 19, 2011)  
*Greatest winning margin:* 61 points (Subiaco, Rnd 18, 2002)  
*Most goals in a game:* 5 – Justin Longmuir (Rnd 18, 2001)  
*Highest attendance:* 42,719 at Subiaco Oval, Elimination Final, 2010

### MELBOURNE

**Head to head: Played – 27, won – 14, lost – 13**



*Last time they met:* Melbourne 22.17 (149) defeated Fremantle 8.12 (60) Melbourne Cricket Ground (Rnd 13, 2011)  
*Greatest winning margin:* 59 points (Subiaco, Rnd 21, 2007)  
*Most goals in a game:* 10 – Tony Modra (Rnd 10, 1999)  
*Highest attendance:* 42,505 at Subiaco Oval, Semi-Final, 2006

### NORTH MELBOURNE

**Head to head: Played – 21, won – 7, lost – 14**



*Last time they met:* North Melbourne 21.17 (143) defeated Fremantle 6.9 (45) Etihad Stadium (Rnd 22, 2011)  
*Greatest winning margin:* 61 points (Subiaco, Rnd 10, 2010)  
*Most goals in a game:* 8 – Matthew Pavlich (Rnd 12, 2008)  
*Highest attendance:* 37,077 at Subiaco Oval, Round 15, 2004

### PORT ADELAIDE

**Head to head: Played – 23, won – 9, lost – 14**



*Last time they met:* Port Adelaide 14.6 (90) lost to Fremantle 21.16 (142) AAMI Stadium (Rnd 9, 2011)  
*Greatest winning margin:* 79 points (Subiaco, Rnd 22, 2006)  
*Most goals in a game:* 6 – Tony Modra (Rnd 2, 1999), Jeff Farmer (Rnd 22, 2006)  
*Highest attendance:* 41,518 at AAMI Stadium, Round 22, 2005

### RICHMOND

**Head to head: Played – 25, won – 10, lost – 15**



*Last time they met:* Richmond 23.10 (148) defeated Fremantle 14.15 (99) Melbourne Cricket Ground (Rnd 7, 2011)  
*Greatest winning margin:* 66 points (Subiaco, Rnd 4, 2002)  
*Most goals in a game:* 7 – Tony Modra (Rnd 4, 2000)  
*Highest attendance:* 38,010 at Subiaco Oval, Round 5, 2010

### ST KILDA

**Head to head: Played – 26, won – 11, lost – 15**



*Last time they met:* St Kilda 16.17 (113) defeated Fremantle 10.12 (71) Etihad Stadium (Rnd 20, 2011)  
*Greatest winning margin:* 71 points (Waverley Park, Rnd 10, 1995)  
*Most goals in a game:* 6 – Matthew Pavlich (Rnd 5, 2006)  
*Highest attendance:* 39,931 at Subiaco Oval, Round 7, 2004

### SYDNEY

**Head to head: Played – 24, won – 11, lost – 13**



*Last time they met:* Sydney 13.9 (87) lost to Fremantle 18.8 (98) Sydney Cricket Ground (Rnd 17, 2011)  
*Greatest winning margin:* 58 points (WACA, Rnd 6, 1995)  
*Most goals in a game:* 8 – John Hutton (Rnd 6, 1995)  
*Highest attendance:* 61,373 at Telstra Stadium, 1st Preliminary Final, 2006

### WEST COAST

**Head to head: Played – 34, won – 14, lost – 20**



*Last time they met:* Fremantle 9.10 (64) lost to West Coast 8.17 (65) Patersons Stadium (Rnd 18, 2011)  
*Greatest winning margin:* 75 points (Subiaco, Rnd 18, 2010)  
*Most goals in a game:* 7 – Clive Waterhouse (Rnd 21, 2000)  
*Highest attendance:* 43,527 at Subiaco Oval, Round 21, 2006

### WESTERN BULLDOGS

**Head to head: Played – 22, won – 8, lost – 14**



*Last time they met:* Western Bulldogs 15.17 (107) defeated Fremantle 8.13 (61) Etihad Stadium (Rnd 24, 2011)  
*Greatest winning margin:* 83 points (Docklands, Rnd 7, 2003)  
*Most goals in a game:* 5 – Clive Waterhouse (Rnd 12, 1999), Luke McPharlin (Rnd 15, 2005)  
*Highest attendance:* 35,624 at Subiaco Oval, Round 8, 2008



# Q&A: RO PREVIEWS T



**What do you consider to be the biggest challenge the players will face in your first season as Freo coach?**

The AFL itself is a big challenge. Every week you have a tough challenge, facing elite teams with the challenges of form, injury and travel. At the end of the day, to be a top flight team you have to be able to play anywhere at any time, adapt and try to get the job done.

**What about you personally, from a coaching perspective. What's your biggest challenge?**

Coming into a new environment of 46 players and trying to understand everyone's strengths and weaknesses and personalities, how they learn and how they handle feedback. At all times you try and make decisions in what's best for the group, but at the same time, trying to balance up the human side.

**How are you approaching facing the reigning Premiers first up? Are you**

**looking at it as an opportunity to measure where the team is at compared to the best?**

That's obvious. We're going to find out pretty quick. But you have to be cautionary. It's a 22 game season and that's one game. Our season's not going to ride on one game. It's about doing the work over 22 weeks and accumulating enough wins to play finals. Certainly it's going to be a big challenge but it's one we're prepared for and have been for four months. At this stage things are not perfect, but they are going to plan. Fitness-wise, personnel availability and game plan-wise, we'll see what we're made of.

**Fremantle has a tough block of games to start the season. How crucial is it to get the wins on the board early?**

I remember when I was at Fitzroy, one of the great coaches, and someone who had a big influence on me, David Parkin, always spoke about getting on the board early and trying to win the first one. He said it gives you a bit of momentum and builds some confidence through actions. That's always sat with me. I can remember his talk and his passion, he coached premiership teams. It is good to get off the mark with four points.

**What on-field values do you hold the dearest that**

**you'll be expecting your players to abide by?**

There are some common threads and some non-negotiables to being a really good AFL team. That's to be hard at the ball and work exceptionally hard when you haven't got it, and do your bit for the team. If you work for your teammates and with your teammates, bring great effort, execute your role and be hard at the ball, they'll stand you in good stead.

**You obviously rated Stephen Hill highly enough to send your best tagger to him in the past. Where does Stephen have to improve to be able to shake the best taggers?**



# SS LYON THE SEASON



I think he's done it pretty well in the past, to be honest. He's a young player who's worked really hard and, what he's done this summer, he's only going to get better. He's had a super pre-season, he's in our elite runners, he's elite in the gym and he understands what we're asking him to do game day. He's a big part of our future and I'm really optimistic Stephen will have his best year.

**You've already said Lachie Neale has impressed you. Are any of the other draftees travelling nicely at the moment that could push for a senior berth this season?**

I think Tom Sheridan is going quite well. Lee Spurr

**WE'RE IN FOR THE DURATION HERE. WE'RE NOT FLICKING A SWITCH. WE'RE BUILDING AND WE'RE ABOUT GROWTH. THAT'S WHAT EXCITES ME – CONTINUING TO SEE GROWTH AND DEVELOPING SOME GREAT PLAYERS OF THE COMPETITION.**

is a mature-age rookie who is going really well. Hayden Crozier's football has been going well but he's quite light, so there'll be a consideration to look after him a little bit. Sam Menegola and Haiden Schloithe are all showing a bit. Alex Forster and Jordan Wilson-King have been injured and Cam

Sutcliffe was having a super summer before he was injured. The two obvious ones are Sheridan and Spurr. **Two areas of the game the club struggled at in 2011 were kicking goals and contested ball. What have Peter Sumich and Mark Stone brought to the table for Fremantle in those departments?**

They've brought plenty of experience and they're from successful systems. We've got good stoppage principles that Mark and I have worked together on that the players seem to have been embracing and are really enthusiastic about. We want to harness the strengths of Aaron Sandilands and Jon Griffin and win the ball at ground level. Peter Sumich has been focusing on some forward leading patterns and on our forwards working hard defensively. It's been nice that they complement what was already in existence in the coaching department here. I think it's a really strong coaching panel. They aren't »



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» 'yes men' and they're really strong in putting an opinion forward. They've helped me grow as well.

**What excites you the most heading into your first season as senior coach of this club?**

The unknown. We've been preparing very well. We're a young group - there are 30 first to third year players in our squad. We're in for the duration here. We're not flicking a switch. We're building and we're about growth. That's what

excites me - continuing to see growth and developing some great players of the competition.

**Finally, how will you measure success in 2012?**

Quite simply we need to improve. As I've alluded to, the contested ball, scoring and defence are key areas. There are some measurements there that we've got. We want to be able to play with great effort so, whether we're winning or losing, I just want to see a never-give-up attitude.‡





## Have You Had Your Say on Who is in the Best 22?

Throughout March, Freo fans have been voting and this is who they hope will run out on to the field for the round 1 match against Geelong. You can still have your say... head to [fremantlefc.com.au/best22](http://fremantlefc.com.au/best22)

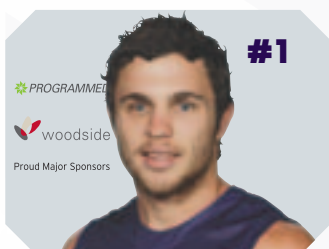
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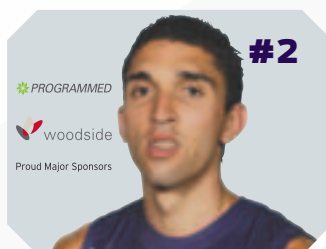
### HAYDEN BALLANTYNE

Height	174cm
Weight	78kg
DOB	16-07-1987
Career games	44
Career goals	66
2011 Dream Team Average	72.1
Debut	Round 13, 2009 v Collingwood at MCG

**STRENGTHS:** Quick and a feisty competitor, Ballantyne's spirit and tenacity inspires the entire team.

**LIKELY TO LINE UP:** Has been training the house down in an effort to play midfield this year. Expect to see him floating between there and the forward line, where he is a proven goal kicker.

**WHAT THE COACH SAYS:** Hayden's had a very good pre-season and has been added to the leadership group. Looking to develop his game into more of a midfielder. He has a lot of work to do, but he's on track to give us that edge in pace around the midfield and on the ball – *Mark Stone*



### ANTHONY MORABITO

Height	190cm
Weight	93kg
DOB	29-10-1991
Career games	23
Career goals	13
2011 Dream Team Average	n/a
Debut	Round 1, 2010 v Adelaide at Subiaco

**STRENGTHS:** Tall, strong and fast, Morabito is a match-up headache for the opposition.

**LIKELY TO LINE UP:** Returning from a year out with a knee injury, so he could be eased back through the forward line, but he's a midfielder when fully up and running.

**WHAT THE COACH SAYS:** Anthony's back into the footy side of training now, coming off a knee reconstruction. He's been running for a long time and is tracking nicely to return to action – *Michael Prior*



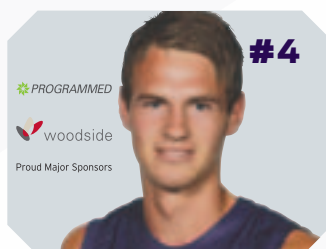
### ZAC DAWSON

Height	195cm
Weight	94kg
DOB	22-02-1986
Career games	77
Career goals	4
2011 Dream Team Average	39.2
Debut	Round 21, 2005 v Richmond at Telstra Dome

**STRENGTHS:** Dawson is a strong-bodied tall defender with multiple experiences on the biggest stage of all – the Grand Final.

**LIKELY TO LINE UP:** Ross Lyon entrusted him with a key defensive post at St Kilda, so expect Dawson to line up in the backline.

**WHAT THE COACH SAYS:** A great addition to the club. Looking to become a cornerstone of our defence and will really help us improve in that area – *Todd Curley*



### JAYDEN PITT

Height	189cm
Weight	76kg
DOB	07-10-1992
Career games	8
Career goals	2
2011 Dream Team Average	47.8
Debut	Round 1, 2011 v Brisbane at GABBA

**STRENGTHS:** Has a strong desire to work defensively for his teammates and possesses classy kicking skills.

**LIKELY TO LINE UP:** Pitt should play anywhere between half-back and half-forward.

**WHAT THE COACH SAYS:** Jayden has had a very good pre-season. He learnt a lot from his debut season and he's shown an appetite to dig in and work hard on his game. He's developed into one of our top runners and a player who is becoming predictable to his teammates with the way he uses the ball – *Ashley Prescott*



### GARRICK IBBOTSON

Height	188cm
Weight	85kg
DOB	15-03-1988
Career games	79
Career goals	19
2011 Dream Team Average	68.7
Debut	Round 11, 2007 v Richmond at Subiaco

**STRENGTHS:** He's one of the most athletic and quickest players in the Fremantle line-up.

**LIKELY TO LINE UP:** Ibbotson has played mainly as a half-back in the past, but his talents mean he could play wherever Ross Lyon thinks is best for the team.

**WHAT THE COACH SAYS:** Garrick had a slow start to pre-season because of shoulder surgery, but he's tracking well at the moment and should have a good season – *Michael Prior*



### GREG BROUGHTON

Height	185cm
Weight	87kg
DOB	29-09-1986
Career games	53
Career goals	9
2011 Dream Team Average	84.13
Debut	Round 3, 2009 v Adelaide at Subiaco Oval

**STRENGTHS:** Broughton is very good at finding the ball and using it with excellent efficiency.

**LIKELY TO LINE UP:** He played incredibly well when swung into the midfield last season, but with a number of on-ballers returning, expect to see him patrolling the half-back line again.

**WHAT THE COACH SAYS:** Coming off a fourth in the best and fairest in 2011, Greg's a tough player who can also play time in the midfield – *Todd Curley*

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## NATHAN FYFE

Height	189cm
Weight	86kg
DOB	18-09-1991
Career games	39
Career goals	32
2011 Dream Team Average	98.4
Debut	Round 5, 2010 v Richmond at Subiaco

**STRENGTHS:** Fyfe is the complete footballer. He's quick, agile, possesses a brilliant leap and has strong hands. His running patterns are elite and invariably lead him to the ball.

**LIKELY TO LINE UP:** He'll get a lot of the ball as a midfielder and float forward to take the big marks and kick goals.

**WHAT THE COACH SAYS:** Coming off a rehab program but he's back in full training and playing. Nat looks strong and powerful and is set for a big year – *Mark Stone*



## NICK SUBAN

Height	180cm
Weight	81kg
DOB	09-05-1990
Career games	48
Career goals	15
2011 Dream Team Average	55
Debut	Round 1, 2009 v Western Bulldogs at Subiaco

**STRENGTHS:** Booming left-foot kick and a strong tackler.

**LIKELY TO LINE UP:** Suban will play at half-back and also get spells in the midfield and on a wing.

**WHAT THE COACH SAYS:** Nick has had a really good pre-season. He's looking fit and lean, and is ready for a big season – *Roger Hayden*



## ADAM MCPHEE

Height	190cm
Weight	91kg
DOB	06-10-1982
Career games	202
Career goals	110
2011 Dream Team Average	55.6
Debut	Round 9, 2001 v Sydney at SCG

**STRENGTHS:** He is experienced and offers a strong, match-hardened body in the contests.

**LIKELY TO LINE UP:** McPhee can play just about anywhere the team needs him to play.

**WHAT THE COACH SAYS:** Had a delayed start to his pre-season but, since he's been back, he's been up and going and looking forward to the season – *Todd Curley*



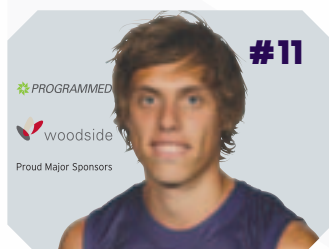
## NICK LOWER

Height	189cm
Weight	83kg
DOB	23-06-1987
Career games	39
Career goals	8
2011 Dream Team Average	75.6
Debut	Round 19, 2006 v Western Bulldogs at Marrara

**STRENGTHS:** Lower is as courageous as they come, always putting the team before his body.

**LIKELY TO LINE UP:** He was a defender before joining Freo but made giant strides playing in the midfield last season so expect a similar role.

**WHAT THE COACH SAYS:** Nick had a slower start due to post-season shoulder surgery. He's back into it and looking to play an inside-mid role – *Michael Prior*



## TOM SHERIDAN

Height	185cm
Weight	77kg
DOB	28-10-1993
Career games	n/a
Career goals	n/a
2011 Dream Team Average	n/a
Debut	yet to debut

**STRENGTHS:** Has excellent kicking skills.

**LIKELY TO LINE UP:** Sheridan is a midfielder and will hope to get some time there in his debut season.

**WHAT THE COACH SAYS:** He's a very talented player and his attitude towards being an elite preparer is improving every day – *Ashley Prescott*



## JONATHON GRIFFIN

Height	202cm
Weight	100kg
DOB	14-01-1986
Career games	48
Career goals	11
2011 Dream Team Average	89
Debut	Round 1, 2007 v Essendon at AAMI Stadium

**STRENGTHS:** He's good at the ruck contests and has an ability to find the ball and use it well for a big man.

**LIKELY TO LINE UP:** Griffin will be Aaron Sandilands' back up in the ruck and could play an important role as the season grows long.

**WHAT THE COACH SAYS:** Jon's had a few interruptions during the pre-season which have slowed him up a bit. He was able to get in a good chunk of pre-season training, however, and he and Aaron Sandilands will be a formidable ruck partnership this year – *Michael Prior*



## TENDAI MZUNGU

Height	183cm
Weight	82kg
DOB	28-02-1986
Career games	14
Career goals	11
2011 Dream Team Average	80.9
Debut	Round 9, 2011 v Port Adelaide at AAMI Stadium

**STRENGTHS:** Mzungu can run all day and he has shown he knows how to get his hands on the ball.

**LIKELY TO LINE UP:** He played a variety of roles in his debut 2011 season, but shone most brightly in the midfield.

**WHAT THE COACH SAYS:** Tendai's completed every session of pre-season training and he's looking to tie down a midfield role – *Michael Prior*



## ANTONI GROVER

Height	189cm
Weight	98kg
DOB	11-03-1980
Career games	201
Career goals	27
2011 Dream Team Average	49.5
Debut	Round 21, 1999 v Sydney at WACA

**STRENGTHS:** Grover is an out-an-out defender. He's very strong and athletic and makes life incredibly tough for whoever he lines up on.

**LIKELY TO LINE UP:** He'll join Luke McPharlin on the last line of defence.

**WHAT THE COACH SAYS:** Came off a good year in 2011. He's had a very good pre-season and is really keen to experience success – *Todd Curley*



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## RYAN CROWLEY

Height	190cm
Weight	87kg
DOB	05-03-1984
Career games	115
Career goals	86
2011 Dream Team Average	57.1
Debut	Round 10, 2005 v Geelong at Skilled Stadium

**STRENGTHS:** Crowley is incredibly strong and utilises this well in the contests.

**LIKELY TO LINE UP:** He's had a monster pre-season, shedding the kilos in an effort to keep up with the best midfielders in the AFL, who he will be responsible for shutting down in 2012.

**WHAT THE COACH SAYS:** Best pre-season Ryan has had in several years. He's strong and fit and able to run with the best mids in the competition – *Mark Stone*



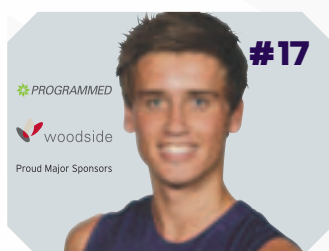
## DAVID MUNDY

Height	192cm
Weight	90kg
DOB	20-07-1985
Career games	142
Career goals	56
2011 Dream Team Average	95.9
Debut	Round 6, 2005 v Melbourne at MCG

**STRENGTHS:** Mundy's in and under work and disposal is first class. He has evolved into a fine leader, too.

**LIKELY TO LINE UP:** He's the first man picked on the ball when he is fit and firing.

**WHAT THE COACH SAYS:** He had to back off his running to allow his injury to heal, but he's up and going now and ramping up his program aimed at playing when the home and away season commences – *Mark Stone*



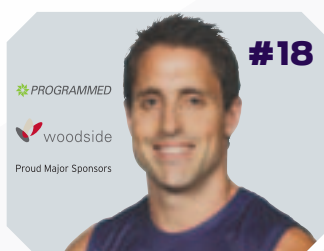
## HAYDEN CROZIER

Height	185cm
Weight	70kg
DOB	24-12-1993
Career games	n/a
Career goals	n/a
2011 Dream Team Average	n/a
Debut	yet to debut

**STRENGTHS:** Has good burst leg speed and lateral movement and he possesses a nice left-foot kick.

**LIKELY TO LINE UP:** A midfielder for Victoria in the State 18s, Crozier is best suited on a wing or on half-back/forward.

**WHAT THE COACH SAYS:** Hayden's worked really solidly since arriving at Freo and he's adjusted well. He's shown a great capacity to learn and to be very coachable – *Steve Grace*



## LUKE MCPHARLIN

Height	191cm
Weight	91kg
DOB	01-12-1981
Career games	188
Career goals	113
2011 Dream Team Average	63.8
Debut	Round 5, 2000 v Port Adelaide at Football Park

**STRENGTHS:** McPharlin uses his tremendous athleticism to his advantage.

**LIKELY TO LINE UP:** He will man up to the opposition's best forward on a weekly basis in 2012, as he has done in the past few seasons.

**WHAT THE COACH SAYS:** Coming off a fantastic year. Luke's had a really good summer and we're looking forward to another positive season of him leading our defence – *Todd Curley*



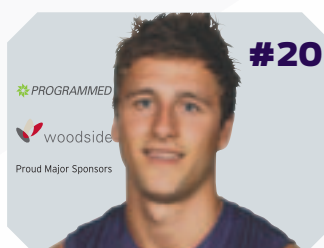
## ALEX FORSTER

Height	189cm
Weight	81kg
DOB	14-07-1993
Career games	n/a
Career goals	n/a
2011 Dream Team Average	n/a
Debut	yet to debut

**STRENGTHS:** A very composed player who makes good decisions.

**LIKELY TO LINE UP:** He played half-back for South Australia in the State 18s and could wind up doing the same at Freo.

**WHAT THE COACH SAYS:** Has been diligent with his rehab since his hip procedure at the end of 2011. Alex has just begun his running program and has approached that with great enthusiasm. We look forward to seeing him on the track more consistently over the coming weeks – *Steve Grace*



## VIV MICHIE

Height	187cm
Weight	80kg
DOB	23-02-1992
Career games	n/a
Career goals	n/a
2011 Dream Team Average	n/a
Debut	yet to debut

**STRENGTHS:** Very clean below his knees and handles the ball very well.

**LIKELY TO LINE UP:** Showed a keen goal sense as a junior and could play up forward for Fremantle.

**WHAT THE COACH SAYS:** Viv has missed a lot of training with his foot issues but his overall attitude has been first class and a great example to his teammates – *Ashley Prescott*



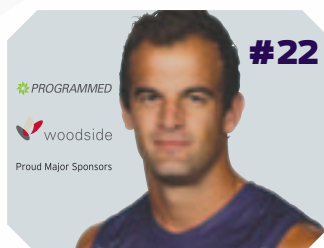
## MICHAEL BARLOW

Height	189cm
Weight	89kg
DOB	18-12-1987
Career games	22
Career goals	19
2011 Dream Team Average	85.9
Debut	Round 1, 2010 v Adelaide at Subiaco

**STRENGTHS:** His ability to read the play and find the ball is exceptional.

**LIKELY TO LINE UP:** Barlow will play on the ball where his talents are best utilised.

**WHAT THE COACH SAYS:** Fully recovered from his leg injury. Mick's very fit, training well and looking to get back to his best form – *Mark Stone*



## JACK ANTHONY

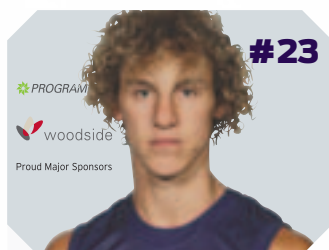
Height	192cm
Weight	91kg
DOB	19-01-1988
Career games	47
Career goals	80
2011 Dream Team Average	36
Debut	Round 3, 2008 v Richmond at MCG

**STRENGTHS:** He has strong leading and marking and is an accurate set-shot at goal.

**LIKELY TO LINE UP:** With plenty of tall defenders at Freo, Anthony's best chance at locking down a spot in the side is in the forward 50.

**WHAT THE COACH SAYS:** Jack has had a great pre-season. He hasn't missed a beat and he's given himself the best possible opportunity to play footy for us – *Peter Sumich*

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## CHRIS MAYNE

Height	188cm
Weight	85kg
DOB	02-11-1988
Career games	58
Career goals	61
2011 Dream Team Average	66
Debut	Round 2, 2008 v Hawthorn at Subiaco

**STRENGTHS:** A ferocious tackler, Mayne is good at locking the ball in Freo's forward line and knows how to find the big sticks.

**LIKELY TO LINE UP:** He'll likely play forward again, and will benefit greatly if Pavlich plays there in 2012.

**WHAT THE COACH SAYS:** Chris had an interruption early in his pre-season but he's flying at the moment and doing everything right. Looking good – *Peter Sumich*



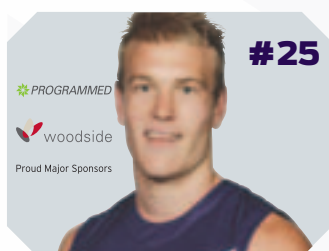
## DYLAN ROBERTSON

Height	190cm
Weight	90kg
DOB	21-06-1991
Career games	27
Career goals	4
2011 Dream Team Average	44.8
Debut	Round 6, 2010 v West Coast at Subiaco

**STRENGTHS:** Robertson offers strong rebound from defence with his run and carry.

**LIKELY TO LINE UP:** Has played in defence in his two AFL seasons and should continue in that role.

**WHAT THE COACH SAYS:** Dylan has had an interrupted pre-season but he's back into running and pulling up well from his rehab sessions – *Roger Hayden*



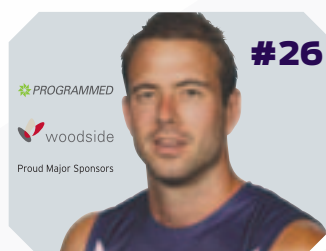
## JOSH MELLINGTON

Height	188cm
Weight	80kg
DOB	29-12-1992
Career games	2
Career goals	1
2011 Dream Team Average	37.5
Debut	Round 14, 2011 v Brisbane at Patersons Stadium

**STRENGTHS:** Mellington has a keen goal sense and is a lively tackler.

**LIKELY TO LINE UP:** He will play as a forward if he can manage to break into the line-up.

**WHAT THE COACH SAYS:** Josh has had a magnificent pre-season. He's met every one of his conditioning goals. His running capacity has increased markedly and he's done everything he possibly can to get himself in the best shape to play really good football for the club this year – *Steve Grace*



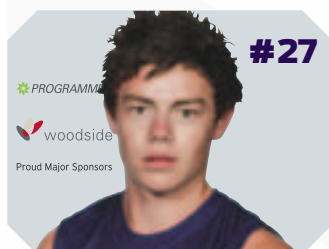
## KEPLER BRADLEY

Height	199cm
Weight	100kg
DOB	13-11-1985
Career games	100
Career goals	74
2011 Dream Team Average	63.5
Debut	Round 1, 2004 v Port Adelaide at AAMI Stadium

**STRENGTHS:** Kepler is tall and agile and has an ability to kick the uncanny goals.

**LIKELY TO LINE UP:** He has pinch hit as a ruckman but Kepler's best chance to cement a spot is in the forward line as the second tall behind Pavlich.

**WHAT THE COACH SAYS:** Kepler is looking good with his fitness and his agility to play a role up forward. He's on target – *Peter Sumich*



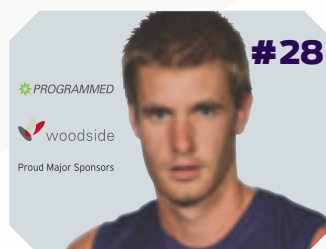
## LACHIE NEALE

Height	177cm
Weight	73kg
DOB	24-05-1993
Career games	n/a
Career goals	n/a
2011 Dream Team Average	n/a
Debut	yet to debut

**STRENGTHS:** Neale is a smart footballer and is very adept at finding the ball.

**LIKELY TO LINE UP:** He played midfield in the State 18s and at SANFL.

**WHAT THE COACH SAYS:** Lachie's got himself very fit. He runs exceptionally hard, finds the ball and his defensive play is improving very quickly – *Ashley Prescott*



## PETER FAULKS

Height	195cm
Weight	85kg
DOB	24-04-1988
Career games	2
Career goals	0
2011 Dream Team Average	31
Debut	Round 21, 2011 v Carlton at Patersons Stadium

**STRENGTHS:** He's a classic defender. Tall, quick off the mark, hard to beat in the air and lacks nothing in courage.

**LIKELY TO LINE UP:** If he can break into the team, Faulks will play on the last line of defence.

**WHAT THE COACH SAYS:** Peter has come back fitter than he was the previous season. He's training well and we're looking for him to get on top of the structures and have a good season – *Roger Hayden*



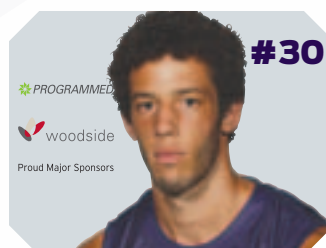
## MATTHEW PAVLICH (Captain)

Height	192cm
Weight	98kg
DOB	31-12-1981
Career games	256
Career goals	489
2011 Dream Team Average	94.3
Debut	Round 5, 2000 v Melbourne at WACA

**STRENGTHS:** A magnificent leader, Pavlich is strong, skilful and a proven goal kicker in the forward line.

**LIKELY TO LINE UP:** It seems certain he will line up as the team's focal point in attack this season.

**WHAT THE COACH SAYS:** It's most pleasing that he's down to a very good weight. His skin folds, agility and the way he's looking and running at the moment is the best I've seen him, even as an outsider in the past five years or so – *Peter Sumich*



## ZAC CLARKE

Height	203cm
Weight	91kg
DOB	28-03-1990
Career games	21
Career goals	6
2011 Dream Team Average	78.7
Debut	Round 13, 2009 v Collingwood at MCG

**STRENGTHS:** Amazingly athletic for his height. Not many ruckmen can play on the ball as Clarke did at times last season.

**LIKELY TO LINE UP:** He'll be used in the forward line, where his agility could pose a big problem for the opposition. As he did in 2011, Clarke can also back up Sandilands in the ruck and play as a second ruckman at the stoppages.

**WHAT THE COACH SAYS:** Zac was flying earlier in the pre-season. He had a little interruption but he's back on track and looking good for round 1 – *Peter Sumich*

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## AARON SANDILANDS

Height	211cm
Weight	117kg
DOB	06-12-1982
Career games	169
Career goals	66
2011 Dream Team Average	95
Debut	Round 1, 2003 v Adelaide at AAMI Stadium

**STRENGTHS:** Almost unstoppable at the ruck contests. Sandilands also possesses excellent skills for a man of his stature.

**LIKELY TO LINE UP:** No surprise here. The best ruckman in the AFL will play there all season.

**WHAT THE COACH SAYS:** Aaron's had a very good pre-season. He's lighter, has better skin folds and he's completely over his turf-toe injury. The fittest he's been for a long time – *Mark Stone*



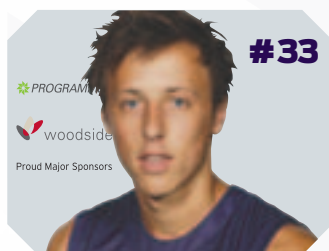
## STEPHEN HILL

Height	184cm
Weight	80kg
DOB	01-05-1990
Career games	67
Career goals	43
2011 Dream Team Average	66.4
Debut	Round 1, 2009 v Western Bulldogs at Subiaco

**STRENGTHS:** Hill is at his best when he runs and carries the ball, utilising his explosive pace and brilliant left foot.

**LIKELY TO LINE UP:** He'll play anywhere between half-back and half-forward throughout the season.

**WHAT THE COACH SAYS:** Stephen's had a fantastic summer. He's bigger, stronger, quicker and playing a bit more inside, contested ball – *Mark Stone*



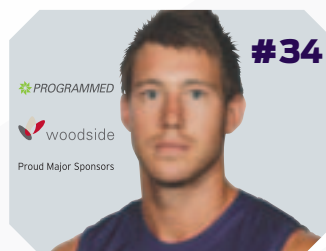
## CAMERON SUTCLIFFE

Height	187cm
Weight	78kgs
DOB	23-05-1992
Career games	n/a
Career goals	n/a
2011 Dream Team Average	n/a
Debut	yet to debut

**STRENGTHS:** Very good at being able to cover his opponent and provide run for the team.

**LIKELY TO LINE UP:** Played half-back in SA and will hope to get a run there for Freo.

**WHAT THE COACH SAYS:** Cam had a minor setback with a foot injury that is clearing up. Previous to that he showed a lot of dash and poise off half-back. A young man with a fantastic attitude towards improving his football – *Ashley Prescott*



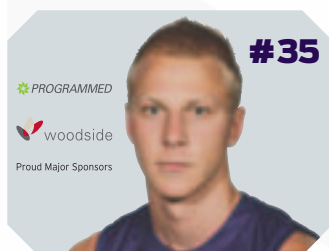
## LEE SPURR\*

Height	183cm
Weight	80kgs
DOB	27-09-1987
Career games	n/a
Career goals	n/a
2011 Dream Team Average	n/a
Debut	yet to debut

**STRENGTHS:** Good athlete with a ton of experience at SANFL level that includes premierships success.

**LIKELY TO LINE UP:** He's well suited to a defensive position similar to the half-back role he played in SA.

**WHAT THE COACH SAYS:** Ready to jump straight into senior football. He's a half-back with SANFL experience – *Roger Hayden*



## HAIDEN SCHLOITHE\*

Height	179cm
Weight	80kgs
DOB	16-06-1993
Career games	n/a
Career goals	n/a
2011 Dream Team Average	n/a
Debut	yet to debut

**STRENGTHS:** He's a great tackler, has good burst speed and can find the ball.

**LIKELY TO LINE UP:** Schloithe's tackling ability could be used anywhere on the field. Time will tell what role suits him best at Freo.

**WHAT THE COACH SAYS:** He's proven to be quite diligent in everything he does. He's very coachable and displays a thirst for knowledge. Haiden's work ethic on the track has been well recognised – *Steve Grace*



## ALEX SILVAGNI

Height	191cm
Weight	90kg
DOB	29-09-1987
Career games	24
Career goals	5
2011 Dream Team Average	61.6
Debut	Round 1, 2010 v Adelaide at Subiaco

**STRENGTHS:** An excellent defender. Silvagni is always willing to do what is necessary for the team.

**LIKELY TO LINE UP:** He'll play in the backline.

**WHAT THE COACH SAYS:** Dogged by injury last year but he's back and fit and can't wait for the games to start. Looking to get a full season out of Alex for the first time – *Todd Curley*



## MICHAEL JOHNSON

Height	194cm
Weight	88kg
DOB	20-10-1984
Career games	125
Career goals	51
2011 Dream Team Average	64.6
Debut	Round 4, 2005 v Richmond at MCG

**STRENGTHS:** Johnson is ultra-cool when he has possession of the ball and can play just about anywhere.

**LIKELY TO LINE UP:** He's been Mr. Fix-it in the past few years, but a return to half-back, where he played his best footy in 2006, looks likely.

**WHAT THE COACH SAYS:** Michael's had a great pre-season. Probably the fittest he's been in the past couple of years so we're really looking forward to him stepping up and becoming a rebounding defender – *Todd Curley*



## MICHAEL WALTERS

Height	177cm
Weight	76kg
DOB	07-01-1991
Career games	11
Career goals	14
2011 Dream Team Average	45.3
Debut	Round 6, 2009 v Port Adelaide at AAMI Stadium

**STRENGTHS:** Very quick and skilful and knows how to kick a goal.

**LIKELY TO LINE UP:** If Walters can get himself right and return to Freo he will try and cement a forward pocket position.

**WHAT THE COACH SAYS:** Michael is currently training with WAFL Club Swan Districts to focus on getting back to the level required for AFL Football – *Chris Bond*

\* denotes a rookie-listed player

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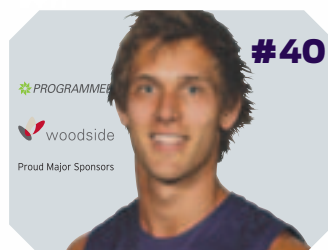
## SAM MENEGOLA\*

Height	189cm
Weight	83kg
DOB	07-03-1992
Career games	n/a
Career goals	n/a
2011 Dream Team Average	n/a
Debut	yet to debut

**STRENGTHS:** Menegola is an elite endurance athlete and has previous experience at an AFL club (Hawthorn).

**LIKELY TO LINE UP:** If he is to break into the team, Menegola's endurance capacity would be best utilised in the midfield.

**WHAT THE COACH SAYS:** He's set the conditioning bar very high for himself and, at the same time, dragged others with him. Sam's endurance levels are elite and he's transferring that into his game – *Steve Grace*



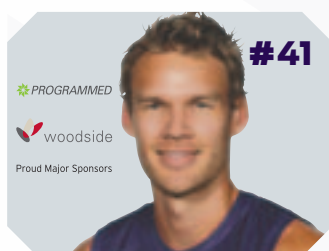
## MATT DE BOER

Height	187cm
Weight	87kg
DOB	10-03-1990
Career games	53
Career goals	14
2011 Dream Team Average	62.7
Debut	Round 6, 2009 v West Coast at Subiaco

**STRENGTHS:** De Boer is a tackling machine and a very good tagger. His leadership skills are also exceptional.

**LIKELY TO LINE UP:** He has played a defensive role in Fremantle's forward line and midfield in the past few seasons and is likely to do the same again.

**WHAT THE COACH SAYS:** A tireless worker. Matt hasn't missed a beat this pre-season. He's stripped down and I think he'll have a good year – *Peter Sumich*



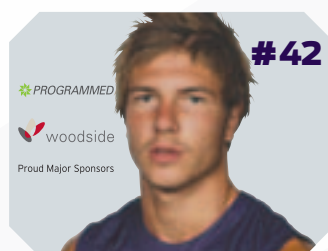
## PAUL DUFFIELD

Height	187cm
Weight	88kg
DOB	05-02-1985
Career games	90
Career goals	21
2011 Dream Team Average	70.2
Debut	Round 5, 2006 v St Kilda at Aurora Stadium

**STRENGTHS:** Duffield is very cool under pressure and makes good use of the football.

**LIKELY TO LINE UP:** He is expected to resume his duties on the half-back line, but Duffield could also sneak into the midfield for periods in 2012.

**WHAT THE COACH SAYS:** Paul's had his best pre-season for a couple of years. We're looking for him to get back into his strong running form of 2010 – *Todd Curley*



## GAVIN ROBERTS\*

Height	188cm
Weight	78kg
DOB	13-03-1991
Career games	n/a
Career goals	n/a
2011 Dream Team Average	n/a
Debut	yet to debut

**STRENGTHS:** A great athlete, Roberts is quick and possesses a penetrating left foot.

**LIKELY TO LINE UP:** He will most likely play as a forward if he can get himself right and break into the team.

**WHAT THE COACH SAYS:** Gavin is overcoming a spate of injuries that have affected his ability to get out on the ground. There have been some positive signs from a training point-of-view. He's a very talented player and his attitude towards being an elite preparer is improving every day – *Ashley Prescott*



## JORDAN WILSON-KING\*

Height	180cm
Weight	75kg
DOB	31-10-1993
Career games	n/a
Career goals	n/a
2011 Dream Team Average	n/a
Debut	yet to debut

**STRENGTHS:** Wilson-King offers excellent run and carry.

**LIKELY TO LINE UP:** Played his football as an attacking defender in the past. That could be his go at Freo.

**WHAT THE COACH SAYS:** Rookie who hasn't done a pre-season before so it was a bit of a shock for him. He should be running well and playing WAFL football by the time the season starts – *Roger Hayden*



## JESSE CRICHTON

Height	183cm
Weight	78kg
DOB	18-06-1991
Career games	13
Career goals	2
2011 Dream Team Average	38.7
Debut	Round 17, 2010 v Western Bulldogs at Etihad Stadium

**STRENGTHS:** Crichton has good speed and disposal.

**LIKELY TO LINE UP:** If he can break into the side, it will likely be in a midfield/half-forward role.

**WHAT THE COACH SAYS:** Jesse's had a really solid pre-season and done everything right. He hasn't missed a session and he's the fittest he's been. He'll be looking to play a half-forward/wing-type role – *Michael Prior*



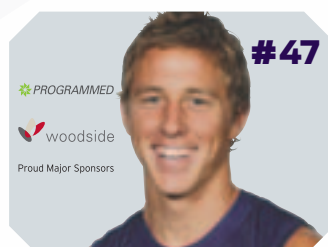
## CLANCEE PEARCE\*

Height	182cm
Weight	87kg
DOB	23-10-1990
Career games	26
Career goals	13
2011 Dream Team Average	61.7
Debut	Round 11, 2009 v Port Adelaide at AAMI Stadium

**STRENGTHS:** A super pre-season has Pearce in top shape. He also has a booming left-foot kick.

**LIKELY TO LINE UP:** Played as a running defender in past seasons but don't be surprised if Pearce gets time in the midfield thanks to his condition.

**WHAT THE COACH SAYS:** He's been in sensational condition. One of the standouts of the pre-season. Clancee hasn't missed any training and his performances in training drills and the NAB Cup have shown the work he's put in is starting to pay off – *Michael Prior*



## JAY VAN BERLO

Height	186cm
Weight	86kg
DOB	18-09-1988
Career games	30
Career goals	10
2011 Dream Team Average	50.3
Debut	Round 17, 2009 v West Coast at Subiaco

**STRENGTHS:** Van Berlo is strong and courageous and always looks to do what's best for the team first.

**LIKELY TO LINE UP:** He played a variety of roles in 2011 but is best suited as a defensive-minded midfielder or forward.

**WHAT THE COACH SAYS:** Jay's had an interrupted pre-season and didn't commence running until after Christmas. He's back into football now and looked quite good in the intra-club match – *Roger Hayden*

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# Woodside and Fremantle look to the future



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**O**N TUESDAY 7 February, Woodside Energy announced it had renewed its co-major sponsorship of the Fremantle Dockers for a further four years from 2013 to 2016 inclusive.

With a season still to run on Woodside's current agreement, Fremantle Dockers CEO Steve Rosich described the contract extension as a positive endorsement of the club's direction and strategic plan.

"We have built a strong foundation in the first two years of our partnership, helping Woodside meet brand, community and staff engagement objectives," Rosich said.

"Our new agreement will see Woodside continue alongside Programmed Group as a co-major sponsor, as well as assuming the mantle as the club's inaugural Indigenous Program Partner.

"This will see the implementation of a number of new community initiatives

in 2013, including work on a club Reconciliation Action Plan."

Woodside CEO Peter Coleman said the agreement represented a significant step forward for the partnership, with a focus on supporting the club's Indigenous programs.

"Being major sponsor of Fremantle for the past two seasons has been a great fit for Woodside and we look forward to continuing to support the team over the next five seasons," Coleman said.

## **GREAT RELATIONSHIP**

"Woodside has a strong focus on Indigenous reconciliation and we are excited to be extending this through our sponsorship of Fremantle."

Coleman said he had been overwhelmed by the high level of support for the company's sponsorship of Fremantle, both internally and in the wider community.

"Aussie Rules is a huge part of Australian culture and as a proud Australian company we are pleased to extend this great relationship," he said.

Woodside's initial three-year agreement concludes at the end of season 2012 and Coleman said that the partnership had evolved into a strong community relationship.

"While we like seeing the Woodside logo on Fremantle's playing strip, our partnership goes well beyond branding," he said.

"We will be working closely with Fremantle from this year to develop and implement the club's first Reconciliation Action Plan.

"We launched Woodside's inaugural Reconciliation Action Plan in 2010 and we look forward to sharing our learnings with Fremantle to create Indigenous programs in areas such as mentoring, leadership and education."†



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# Partners at Home and Away



**2** 012 MARKS THE third year of the Constable Care Child Safety Foundation being on board as a principle charity partner of the club.

To kick things off, Constable Care joined the Fremantle Dockers in Esperance for the 2012 Australia Post AFL Community Camp, meeting local kids at schools, hospitals, events and clinics.

A number of Freo players appeared alongside Constable Care at Esperance primary schools and helped Constable Care hand out prizes, special safety awards and to reinforce valuable safety and health messages.

## REMOTE

Jack Anthony, Jay van Berlo, Nick Suban, Matt de Boer, and Tendai Mzungu made a very special visit to Our Lady Star of the Sea Catholic Primary School and helped Constable Care to "teach kids to do the right thing".

Every year Constable Care visits tens of thousands of children in



regional and remote parts of Western Australia – from Albany to Broome and everywhere in between. During the Esperance visit, the Constable Care team performed to 266 local children, and delivered a total of 17 safety shows. In doing so, the children of Esperance learnt valuable lessons in safety, respect, citizenship, community and health.

Constable Care and the Fremantle Dockers in Esperance together affirms both organisations' commitment to making a positive impact in regional communities.

## DELIVERED

The next stop for the partnership was the 2012 Family Fun Day at Patersons Stadium, where Constable Care seized the opportunity to unveil his 2012 School Year Calendar and Height Chart.

At half-time of the round 2 NAB Cup game, Constable Care was joined in the Doig Room by Freo players Garrick Ibbotson and Sam Menegola, who helped launch the 2012 School Year Calendar and Height Chart.

The Constable


Care School Year Calendar is now in its 17th year of production. Each year 30,000 calendars are produced. Over half of these are delivered to primary schools and early learning centres around the state.

Constable Care's calendars are fun, colourful, engaging for children of all ages and full of great health and safety messages. This year the calendar and height chart features

the caricatures and heights of Constable Care's three Freo player ambassadors, Luke McPharlin, Stephen Hill and Aaron Sandilands. At 211cm, 'Sandi' is quite literally off the two metre height chart!


The Fremantle Dockers and Constable Care look forward to continuing their ongoing commitment to making a positive impact in regional communities.‡






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# GROWING

Following on from the red dirt and gold nuggets in Kalgoorlie and Esperance in 2012 for the Australia Post AFL Comm



**F**REO'S travelling party spread far and wide around Esperance and the surrounding areas on Tuesday 21 February, visiting a number of schools.

Jack Anthony and teammates Stephen Hill, Peter Faulks and Hayden Crozier went to Esperance Christian Primary School and Scadden Primary School to spread the AFL's message of living a healthy lifestyle.

Constable Care, a principle charity partner of the Fremantle Dockers, also made the journey to Esperance where they performed a puppet show at Esperance Christian Primary School.

"I thought the puppet show was particularly good because Constable Care spreads really important messages to kids all around the State," Anthony said.

Anthony had visited regional WA before, as a member of Collingwood when it played a match in Albany in 2008.

He said it was fantastic to meet some of the great people in the community.

"Many people here love making the trek up to Perth to watch the footy, so they loved the opportunity to have us visit them," he said.

"In the bigger cities it's easier to get involved with football. But with Esperance, for instance, it's so far away, the only chance they really get to meet footballers is here."

After a leadership breakfast and a team beach recovery session on Wednesday morning, fans had a great opportunity to meet the players and see them in action at Esperance Football Oval later that evening.

Fremantle's development coaches then took a training session for a local talent squad, followed by a NAB Auskick Superclinic conducted by the players for children aged five to 12 years.





# THE GAME

oorlie last year, Fremantle hit the white sandy beaches  
unity Camp from 21-23 February. Story: Costa Kastanis

New recruit Lachie Neale grew up in a small country town and understands the impact a special visitor can make to a small community.

"Living so far away from the city, you don't get the access that city kids do," he said.

"When players come to your school and interact with you, it's a different feeling. It's a great feeling that brightens your whole day."

Fremantle Community Development Manager David Crute said the people in country WA were always very excited to see an AFL team in their town.

"The school visits are always a highlight, particularly for those children living in the smaller towns in the area, like Condingup, Grass Patch, Munglinup and Salmon Gums," he said.

Crute said it was vital that the AFL clubs continued to support the Community Camp initiative.

"For many children in regional and remote areas of Australia, it may be the only chance they'll get to meet an AFL player, which potentially creates a lifetime memory," he said.

Anthony was full of praise for the AFL Community Camps, which he agreed were a great initiative.

"It's important for all 18 clubs to get out among the community," he said.

"I know if I was living out in the country, I would love to see a footballer come and visit.

"I think the people of Esperance have really appreciated our visit here and that brings a smile to my face."✚





# MORE THAN

**The comparisons were inevitable. Both are Indigenous footballers who play in the backline and landed on the Fremantle Dockers' rookie list. One wore the number 43 jumper for 128 games, and the other dreams of the day he can play his first in it. Story: Costa Kastanis**

**F**REMANTLE development coach Roger Hayden admits that newly drafted Jordan Wilson-King, who he has taken under his wing, reminds him of himself when he arrived at Freo back in 2001.

"I was also a fairly quiet and skinny young man," says Hayden, who left the game a fair bit more talkative than when he started.

Wilson-King is ahead of him in that department already.

"Jordan's a bit more outgoing in that he will ask a question," Hayden says.

"You learn a lot quicker when you do that.

"He just needs to keep asking questions. That will be something really positive for him in the future."

Wilson-King grew up in Darwin with his mother Annette Wilson, who works as a lawyer.

He has a 23-year-old sister, Kristen King, who lives in Darwin, and a 20-year-old brother, Shaun King, who has just moved to Melbourne. His father Reginald King, lives in Sydney, where he works as a boxing coach.

## LEGEND

After playing for the Darwin Buffaloes in the NTFL, Wilson-King made the move to SA at the age of 16 to board at Rostrevor, an all boys' Catholic College in the foothills of the Mount Lofty Ranges. It's here that he says he had some of the best times of his life.

"Once the footy season starts there, it's the best place to be at," he says.

"I loved playing every minute of college footy. Those are memories I'll cherish forever."

He also played for SANFL club North Adelaide, but when Fremantle called out his name at the 2012 AFL Rookie Draft last December, Wilson-King packed his bags again and moved to Perth.

That didn't present any issues for him.

"I had three years living in Adelaide on my own so moving over here wasn't a problem," he says.



"And the weather's pretty much like Darwin in Perth at the moment anyway."

## SHOCK

What Wilson-King wasn't used to is the demands placed upon an athlete at an elite sporting organisation.

He has never had a pre-season because the football season in Darwin begins in October and ends when the South Australian one begins.

That meant that he played the game competitively all year round.

His mentor, Hayden, is charged with helping Wilson-King adapt to this new life.

"It can be a real shock to the system," Hayden says.

"Jordan is only used to football based match fitness.

"He's not used to the 1km and 3km time trials and the rigours of an AFL pre-season."

"That was similar to me when I arrived at the club. I wasn't used to the whole structure of a pre-season at AFL level and I think the quicker you get used to that, the quicker you get your head around it and the better off you're going to be."

Both Hayden and Wilson-King admit to not knowing much about each other

before Freo brought them together.

"I hadn't seen him play," Hayden says.

"The club told me they'd be picking some young kid from Darwin who was pretty quick off half-back and that I was going to be looking after him."

All Wilson-King knew of Hayden was that he was a skilful player. Now that he's had a chance to browse over the history of the club, he's flattered to have such a well respected individual pass on knowledge to him.

"Roger's mentored me the past few months and he's been a great help," Wilson-King says.

"To get the knowledge from his 128 games is the best thing for me."

## EXPERTISE

Wilson-King describes himself as an attacking defender who loves carrying the football and kicking it, but it's the defensive side of his game that he feels Hayden's expertise will rub off on him the most.

"It's the biggest area he can help me in considering he was an AFL defender for 10 years," Wilson-King says.

Hayden says defensive skills are the most important if any attacking defender wants to succeed.

# A JUMPER 43

"Jordan's attacking flare and his skills are really good, and I don't want to take away from that, but he has to improve on his defensive skills to make him an all-round player off half-back who can create for the team, but also do what's necessary going the other way."

Wilson-King wants to exhaust all the knowledge of his mentor's experiences as a rookie-listed player.

"It's good to have someone who knows what it's like to be on the rookie list and knows just how hard you have to work to make your way onto the senior list," Wilson-King says.

"He's told me to remain positive and always keep my head up. Don't think because you're a rookie you're not as good a chance as every other bloke."

If Wilson-King wasn't going to get compared to Hayden for his heritage

and his path into the AFL, taking the 43 jumper that his mentor made famous ensured he would.

"It was an honour to get the jumper that someone's played over 100 games in," Wilson-King says.

"I just want to keep it going."

## APPRENTICE

Hayden was happy to hand over his old number to a worthy recipient.

"I thought it was really nice to have someone like Jordan take it and hopefully he can represent the jumper and the club well."

While the apprentice appreciates all the comparisons to his master, Wilson-King is desperate to make his own name in the game.

"I don't want people to just say I'm Roger all over, and 'he's exactly like Roger'," Wilson-King says.

"Making my own name would not only make me feel good, but also make my family feel proud.

"That's what I want to do. Make my own name."

Hayden agrees, saying it's important for Wilson-King to be his own person.

"I don't want to make him into the next Roger Hayden, I want him to be the first Jordan Wilson-King," he says.

"The similarities end at number 43."†



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# Where have they docked? TROY COOK

**After starting his career at the Sydney Swans in 1997, Troy Cook moved to Fremantle in 2000 and became one of the most popular and well-respected players in the club's history. A Life Member at Freo, Cook was second-to-none for his hardness and attack on the ball.**

**Do you have any children and, if so are they old enough to be footy fans yet?**

My eldest boy Xavier is three, and my girl, Lola, is two in April. They're not old enough to be footy fans yet. I'm trying to brainwash Xavier into becoming a Freo Dockers supporter, but that's an ongoing challenge.

**What did you do after you retired in 2007?**

I had a bit of a break. Stepping away from something I had done for a long time was hard to do. It was a bit of Troy time to be honest. I also started looking for employment after footy, so I started with the Wirrpanda Foundation in February, 2008. I've been at the foundation for a few years now. I had already done a bit of part-time work there while I was at Freo and David (Wirrpanda) was at the Eagles.



**Did you continue to play footy after your AFL career was over?**

My footy career started with the mighty Perth Demons and, the year after I retired from AFL, I signed up there again and spent the next two-and-a-half years there. They asked me to be captain of the side too, which was a great honour. Halfway through 2010 we didn't look like we were going to make finals and the passion wasn't there anymore, so I hung the boots up.

**Do you still get recognised around town?**

People still come up and say hello, which is good.

**What do you miss most about playing AFL?**

I miss the comradeship and the challenge of competing against the best players in the AFL, and the winning aspect of things. It's a routine you're in for a long time, which can be pretty addictive actually.

**What's the sweetest memory from your time in the AFL?**

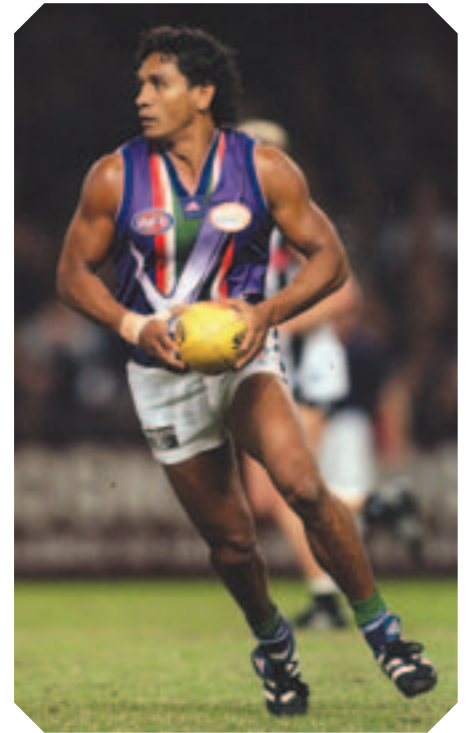
My first game over at the Sydney Swans in 1997. For Freo it was playing in that 2006 preliminary final against Sydney where we got beaten by a few goals when we were hoping to make the Grand Final. That was the best and probably the worst day all in one. Becoming a life member of the Fremantle Dockers was incredible. That will always be special for me. I'll be a part of the club forever.

**Do you still catch up with any ex-teammates?**

I see few of the boys around the area. Haze (Paul Hasleby) I catch up with every now and again. I've caught up with Scham (Byron Schammer), Justin and Troy Longmuir, and a few of the other boys who live close to me. We often bump into each other at the shops. I worked with Dale Kickett, too.

**Are you a Freo supporter today and what's your take on the current team?**

I'm still very much a fan. Last year was a bit disappointing for a few reasons, most obviously with the injuries. But there are some positive signs. It's still early days and by the looks of it the boys are trying to get their heads around the game plan that Ross is trying to get them to play to. They've got some exciting young blokes coming through but there's also a great opportunity for some of the old blokes like Pav, Groves, Sandi and Luke McPharlin. They've got to make sure they make the most of it because their window is getting smaller and smaller. I think this year is going to be a big one for them.



**Which players do you like to watch?**

I've always been a big fan of Pav. Tendai Mzungu is another one. He's a Perth Demons boy and he caught my eye a few years ago when I went back to Perth after retiring from AFL. I always make sure to keep an eye on him.

**What do you like to do in your spare time?**

The kids take up most of my time. They're always a lot of fun. I try to play a bit of golf now and again and I love getting down to the beach. I'm trying to find a few sports that don't require physical contact anymore. The body can't handle it.💵



Troy with partner Tamara and their children Lola and Xavier on holiday in Rome



# WELCOME TO THE PURPLE PATCH!

We asked our supporters to email us photos for 'The Purple Patch' at [purplepatch@fremantlefc.com.au](mailto:purplepatch@fremantlefc.com.au) and we have received some fantastic shots! Here are some of the great entries sent for this edition of *Docker*.



## BEYOND THE BORDER

This is me on the border between Alaska and Canada along the "top of the world" highway.

*Dianne Waddingham, Glenroy VIC*

## DOCKER FAIRY

I work at The Pickled Fairy and Other Myths in Fremantle, and during footy season, I am the Docker Fairy! I glitter my face with purple sparkles and wear the purple fairy outfit sporting my Dockers scarf! *Ashley Yates, Leeming*



## END OF THE ROAD

On my recent travels to Indonesia I wore my Freo gear all around. This is a photo of me once I realised I had run out of road in Lombok!

*David Ramsay, Woodvale*



## CATCH ME IF YOU CAN

Here is young five-year-old Noah Kilminster at Heathcote foreshore with his younger sister Matilda, aged three. The two like to wear their purple everywhere... Matilda does find it hard to keep up with Noah though.

*Andy Kilminster, Jandakot*



## ANCHORED

Riley Joe Chamberlain is pictured here at just eight-days-old and already a little Docker. This nappy was custom made in Queensland so is one of a kind!

*Reynold Chamberlain, Palmyra*

## DOCKER DESIGNER

This is me decorating my bedroom with all my Freo Dockers' gear. I'm getting ready for the 2012 season so I need to collect as much purple as possible! **GO FREO!**

*Lotti Piazza, Nollamara*

## PRETTY IN PURPLE

This is my grand daughter Blaire at just 10 weeks old. She just received her membership for this season.

Welcome to the Purple side Blaire!

*John Chadwick, Butler*





#### « **BABY SANDI?**

My son Cooper is an HMAS member and was about six-months-old when we went to the away derby last season. I have faith that he will be the next Freo ruckman as he has only just turned one and is the height of an average 20-month-old!

*Matthew Richards, Falcon*

#### **TRADE WEEK**

When I was volunteering in East Africa, assisting with medical checks for young children, I wore my Dockers cap each and every day. One chap even wanted to trade it for his headgear.

*Elizabeth Oliver, Mandurah*



#### **INTERESTING SLOPES**

My wife Becky and I were on holidays in America and Canada. However the place where we went skiing was called Collingwood... so not too happy about that one! I took my Freo gear everywhere exposing the world to the best team in the world.

*Stephen MacNeill, Karratha*



#### » **DERBY DAY**

Taylor and Lily are the best of friends, this is how they went to school for Derby Day! Both girls are loud, proud and passionate, cheering for Matthew Pavlich every opportunity they get.

*Sharon Adams, Seville Grove*



#### **FROSTY FAN**

Greetings from St Antons Am Arlberg, Austria. This hoodie I got from the Team Store has definitely come in handy for this weather!

*Danielle McKenna, Floreat*



#### **FREO RACER**

As Wellington's number one Freo fan, I got myself a nice set of FREO plates for the car. Now I'll be driving around in real style.

*Mike Sheree, Wellington, New Zealand*



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**Hi kids, welcome to season 2012!**

During the off season I made sure I kept fit by running every day and eating healthy. I wanted to make sure that come round 1, I would still be able to run around Patersons Stadium and say hi to all of you kids!

We have a new recruit to **KidZone** this year, I have signed up my little sister Jenny. She came to her first game during the NAB Cup and got to meet all the junior fans at the Family Fun Day. She will be coming to all the Junior Events with me so make sure you say hi to her when you see her!

'Ballaz' and I had a tough job of choosing our Number One Junior Fan for season 2012, but I'm happy to say that Madison Jeffery was selected! Have a look below to see some cool facts about Madison.

I can't wait until the season starts. I'm going to keep training every day so I'm ready to run around Patersons for the first game of the season against Geelong. Make sure you make that extra effort to wear your purple to the game as it's our annual Starlight Purple Haze Game.

*See you on the flipside! Johnny*



## PURPLE PRINCESS

THE FREMANTLE DOCKERS are proud to announce *Madison Jeffery* as the 2012 Number One Junior Fan.

Madison is a big fan of the club and she always participates in junior club events. She also replies to Johnny's emails and quizzes every week.

Madison created a book called the 'Purple Princess' containing photos and stories showing how her passion for Freo has grown over the years, and one day hopes to be at a Freo grand final. Here are some quick facts on Madison:

**Name** Madison Kate Jeffery

**Age** 10

**Favourite Player** Hayden Ballantyne

**Best Freo Game Ever Watched** 2010 Western Derby. Nothing beats beating West Coast.

**Fun Freo Moment** When Kepler Bradley lost his shoe and he kept playing. The runner was chasing him around with his shoe.

**Greatest achievement or proudest moment** Kicking three goals in a row in Auskick and winning best on field.

Ballaz caught up with Madison and asked her how it felt to be the Number One Junior Fan. "It feels awesome, they're a great team, I've been going for them my whole life, and I think they deserve to win this year."



## DOCKER WORD SLEUTH

Can you find all the player names in the word sleuth?

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## CONSTABLE CARE SAYS

"When you head to the game have lots of fun, but cover yourself from the harmful sun"



Hi Kids, I'm Jenny!

My big brother Johnny 'the Doc' Docker signed me up for **KidZone** and I'm really excited to be a part of it.

I went to my first game at the NAB cup when the team played Richmond, it was so exciting to watch the game at Patersons Stadium and it was great to see so many junior fans cheering the team on.

That game was also the Family Fun Day, I had so much fun joining in all the activities. I loved playing with all the bubbles and jumping in the bouncy castles, my highlight was watching the stilt walkers, they were so tall!

I'm looking forward to seeing you all at the junior events throughout the year.

Jenny



## CAN YOU WELCOME THE NEW RECRUITS?

Above is a photo of them with their jumper numbers – can you match the name to the jumper?

Hint: You can use your *Docker* magazine or [fremantlefc.com.au](http://fremantlefc.com.au) for help.

#3	Sam Menegola
#11	Hayden Crozier
#17	Cam Sutcliffe
#19	Lachie Neal
#27	Zac Dawson
#33	Jordan Wilson-King
#34	Alex Forster
#35	Lee Spurr
#39	Haiden Schloithe
#43	Tom Sheridan

## RESULTS FROM DOCKER EDITION 3, 2011:

**Who am I?:** Zac Clarke

**Housemates:** Chris Mayne & Jesse Crichton, Michael Barlow & Nick Lower, Jay van Berlo & Nathan Fyfe, Garrick Ibbotson & Nick Suban, Alex Silvagni & Jack Anthony



# SEE YOU AT THE GAME FOR YOUR CHANCE TO **WIN DINNER** WITH ROSS LYON



**This season the Fremantle Dockers are giving you the chance to dine with senior coach Ross Lyon.**

Ten lucky winners will be invited with a guest to attend a BBQ in December 2012, hosted by Ross Lyon and two players. Along with fellow Fremantle Dockers' staff, Ross will mingle with guests whilst preparing a traditional Aussie feast on the barbie. Plus, you'll also have a tour of Freo's training facilities.

To win this exclusive opportunity, simply attend all 11 home games during the 2012 AFL season. Make sure you scan your membership card when entering the ground and you'll automatically go into the draw to win.


The winners will be drawn on Monday 1 October 2012, and winners will be announced in the Membership Matters email on 2 October.

See you at the footy!



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