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Matt Wood

A win in Pav's final game #thankspav
#missedhis700ththough #353andout



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Literally can't come to terms with the fact that I'm watching my life long hero play his final game for the Fremantle Football Club. Since I was like 8 years old this guy has been one of the biggest reasons behind my passion for AFL and I don't even want to imagine what the Dockers would have been like without you. Thank you for absolutely everything you've done Pav. Without question one of the best - if not the best West Australian Footballer of all time and it would take some doing to even get close to everything he has achieved!

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Well done to a true champion on and off the field. Thanks for the broken collarbone.
#treetrunks @mav_29 @freodockers



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Watching Pav's farewell game with my nephew Billy #pav #freo #thankspav
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#thankspav ! Devasted I can't be there to send you off/cry with every other Dockers fan but spreading the Wharfie love over east and telling anyone and everyone what the mighty #29 represents! @mav_29 #353 #700 #legendaryplayer #foreverfreo



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rose miller

What a great way to send off our leader. So glad I was there to see the champ off- and the boys got a win! Thank you Pav! #thankspav #foreverfreo #truechamp #emotional #greatbloke #nevergaveuponus




Janae Tee
@JanaeTeel

#superPav #thankspav #freedockers #purpleinourveins




Western Bulldogs
@westernbulldogs

Respect. #ThanksPav



Michelle-Louise
@crankypuss

Amazing memory to treasure forever
#ThanksPav @mattpav29 @freedockers



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Thanks Pav. So much respect
#thankspav



mav_29
Matthew Pavlich

Thanks 🙌💜

THE SABOY WHO BECAME A TWA GREAT

STORY » LES EVERETT

Everett, a former Fremantle Football Club board member and inaugural editor of *Docker* magazine, highlights some significant moments in Matthew Pavlich's career, and how they all link back to his home town.



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SAID: ‘PLEASE,
WHEN IS HE
COMING HOME?’

JAN PAVLICH

Matthew Pavlich first came to my attention late in 1999 when I spoke to Fremantle recruiting manager Phil Smart for a story about the approaching AFL Draft.

The Dockers were in a pretty good position with picks two, four and five. Smart told me Collingwood would take ruckman Josh Fraser with the first pick, we'd have East Fremantle's Paul Hasleby with the second – I'd seen him play school, WA Under 18s and WAFL league footy and was happy Hasleby was coming to Freo. Richmond had their eye on skilful SA left footer Aaron Fiora and would grab him with pick three, then we would choose fellow South Australian Pavlich at four and Victorian key defender Leigh Brown at five. That's exactly how the draft panned out.

Pavlich wasn't exactly unknown. Adelaide and Port Adelaide (and every other club) had the chance to secure him in the 1998 draft but he was not chosen. He played a season of senior football in the SANFL with Woodville-West Torrens in 1999 and during the season the Adelaide clubs expressed wistful interest in the local product knowing they had little chance of securing him. Collingwood and Richmond held discussions with Pavlich and his parents. However, it was clear the club with the most interest, and the draft picks to back it up, was Fremantle.

When a group from the Dockers, including coach Damian Drum, football manager Gerard McNeill, sport psychologist Neil McLean and recruiter Brent Dawkins went to find out a little more about this possible future player they encountered an unusual hurdle – his mum.

Jan Pavlich had done her homework and had a list of WA kids she believed Fremantle should be targeting. "You could look elsewhere besides Matthew Pavlich," she told them. And then she got a bit personal. "Well I can't see Matthew wearing purple, I don't like your colours, I don't like your club song and you don't win any games." The Fremantle party calmly told the reluctant mother they were recruiting players like Matthew Pavlich so they could become winners. Matthew's father Steve, who played 129 SANFL games for West Torrens, was more pragmatic and watched his wife's efforts with some amusement.

"They were lovely people...all of them," Jan recalled. "I had to say my bit but it didn't make any difference, he went anyway."

The Pavlich family, including Matthew's younger sister Jess, supported Adelaide but they also attended Port Adelaide games, so they were pretty well known in local football circles. "One day a Port supporter leant over our shoulder and said: 'Please, when is he coming home?'" Jan recalled.

There's no doubt South Australian football supporters would have liked to have seen more of Matthew Pavlich but it turns out he has shown them quite a bit – either live or on TV.

In round 14 of 2000, in the game against Adelaide at Football Park, Pavlich was moved into defence and played strongly in an indication of the versatility for which he would become famous. Three games later at the WACA the



EARLY DAYS: Matthew Pavlich at home with his mum, Jan, sister, Jess and dad, Steve.

Dockers beat Port Adelaide and Pavlich earned an AFL Rising Star nomination after a strong game at centre half back. The game was the 150th for Tony Modra, Pavlich's boyhood hero.

Fremantle went to Adelaide for round seven in 2001 without a win and with growing speculation about the future of coach Damian Drum. The Dockers were in the game all the way and Pavlich played strongly in attack.

Adelaide easily beat Fremantle in round one of 2003 but Pavlich kicked two goals and earned a Brownlow Medal vote to at least give the locals something to ponder.

The Pavlich family were able to celebrate their son's 100th AFL game from their seats at Football

Park in round 16 of 2004. The Dockers scored a stirring victory with Pavlich kicking a goal after the siren to extend the margin to 12 points.

Then came round 14 of 2005. This time the Crows won by six points at home but all anyone could talk about was Matthew Pavlich. The former local, playing his 89th consecutive game, a club record, kicked eight goals and was clearly the best player on the ground. Fremantle kicked six goals to one in the last quarter but ran out of time.

Fremantle went to Football Park again in round three of 2006 to play Port Adelaide. Pavlich took 15 marks and earned a Brownlow vote in a 31-point win.

Back again in front of his "home" crowd in round 19 he took nine marks and kicked two goals in a 15-point win over Adelaide.

In round 22 at Subiaco Oval Pavlich marked his 150th game with five goals in a 79-point thumping of Port.

Fremantle played a significant game at Football Park against Adelaide in round 16 of 2007. Chris Connolly had just stood down as coach and the game against the Crows was the first for new coach Mark Harvey. Pavlich starred with five goals and received three Brownlow votes as the Dockers pulled off a shock win by 25 points.

Fremantle began the 2010 season with a 56-point win over Adelaide at Subiaco Oval. Pavlich scored three goals and earned a Brownlow vote.

In round three 2011 the Adelaide crowd witnessed another Pavlich milestone. It was his 239th game, beating Shane Parker's record for Fremantle – the Dockers won by 25 points and the Crows supporters acknowledged the local boy with applause.

He was back again in round nine as a strong midfielder when the Dockers beat the Power by 52 points.

The SA teams moved to Adelaide Oval in 2014. Fremantle's first win at the venue came in round nine 2015 in a game remembered for the head-to-

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LES EVERETT



ELITE: Freo's games record holder is chaired off Football Park after his 239th game for Fremantle.



head midfield duel between Nat Fyfe and Patrick Dangerfield. Pavlich kicked two goals and the Dockers won by 11 points.


Pavlich's last game in SA was a 32-point round six loss to the Crows at Adelaide Oval in 2016 – he kicked 1.4.

His last win against a team from SA came in round 13 of 2016 when he played a starring role with four goals against Port Adelaide at Domain Stadium.

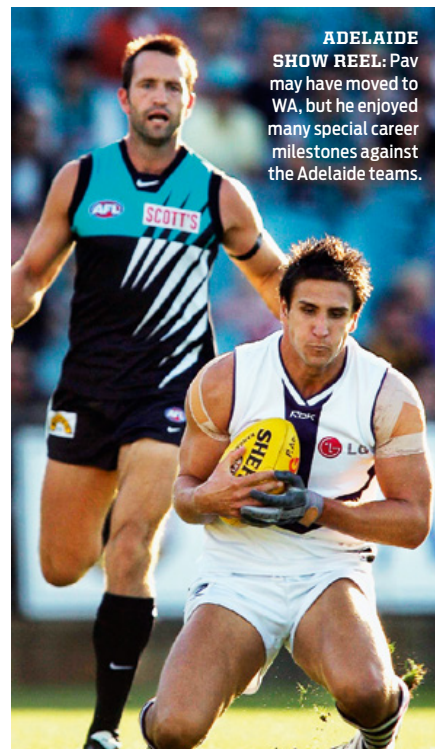
Fans of Adelaide and Port Adelaide may lament that one of the great modern day players started in SA, could have stayed in SA but instead became one of the best ever WA players. They did, however, get to see him play some pretty good footy on home soil and when their teams travelled west.

Let's leave the last words to two people who saw every one of those games.

Steve Pavlich: "The Dockers have been terrific. We would say right from the start, to anyone who asks what are they like. Fremantle as a club are just fantastic. We couldn't ask for more."

Jan Pavlich: "It's not that hard. He's been playing there since he was 17 years of age. Really we are so lucky that is where he went. We really really are." 

ADELAIDE SHOW REEL: Pav may have moved to WA, but he enjoyed many special career milestones against the Adelaide teams.



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MATTHEW PAVLICH

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PLAYER TO APPEAR IN
AFL/VFL HISTORY

81st of 189

FREMANTLE PLAYERS
TO APPEAR

14th

MOST AFL GAMES
PLAYED (353)

22nd

MOST AFL GOALS
KICKED (700)

HAS MISSED JUST 32 GAMES SINCE MAKING HIS DEBUT IN ROUND 5, 2000

Played 160 consecutive
games between round 15,
2001 and round 16, 2008

12th longest streak in AFL history



**Length of time in the
AFL system**

16 years and 143 days

21st longest of any AFL/VFL player

5th

MOST
INSIDE
50s
(1309)

4th

MOST
GOAL
ASSISTS
(216)

6th

MOST
CONTESTED
MARKS
(481)

8th

MOST
MARKS
(2046)

8th

MOST
MARKS
INSIDE 50
(660)

17th

MOST
CONTESTED
POSSESSIONS
(2571)



Personal best of
18 marks against
Carlton in round 5, 2005.

Personal best of
9 goals against Carlton
in round 16, 2005.

Scored **7 or more goals**
on five occasions.



Highest disposal count
of 36 against West Coast
in round 17, 2009.

Has had **30 or
more disposals** on
eight occasions.

Most goals against
West Coast – 61.

PAV'S GAME AVERAGES

12 KICKS » 5 HANDBALLS » 6 MARKS » 2 GOALS » 2 TACKLES » 1 GOAL ASSIST

SOLE FOCUS: Matthew Pavlich
with wife Lauren, son Jack and
daughter Harper.





THE END

Fremantle champion Matthew Pavlich made sure he savoured his final days as an AFL footballer. His 353rd and last appearance in the purple jumper was, fittingly, one to remember.

STORY » LES EVERETT

If you'd been in the change rooms after Fremantle's last game of the 2016 season you would have seen something truly unique. Matthew Pavlich, still in his famous number 29 purple guernsey, enjoying a beer and chatting with past and present team mates, family and friends about the win in his last AFL game. Some would have been ribbing him about his wayward kicking for goal in the last quarter, some perhaps suggesting he'd been a bit hungry in the first quarter when he ran to the goal square to receive a handpass and gift goal from Shane Yarran. The 34-year-old would have pointed out that he didn't get a rest in the second half and blame his kicking on fatigue.

"We were able to sit around and do what the Australian cricket team does after every Test and enjoy a beer together and reminisce about the game. I've never done that before in my football life," Pavlich told *Docker* magazine. In fact the greatest ever Fremantle Docker was doing what many country and suburban footballers do after every game.

Pavlich came into the AFL determined to be as good as he could be. That meant sacrifice and attention to detail and it was soon clear that it also meant leadership.

The week leading up to his 353rd and final game was unusual for the ultimate team man – it was all about him. There were extra speaking commitments, appearances and media involvements – we all wanted to know how he was feeling, how he was reflecting, what he was going to do next and we wanted him to know how much he'd meant to us. "Early in the week I just decided to embrace it all knowing this would be the last time," Pavlich said. "All the various

notes, texts and emails I was getting and all the attention was people wanting to go out of their way to say nice things."

There was an emotional prelude to the game with Pavlich carrying son Jack and leading daughter Harper through the club banner. Harper then kept up with her dad as the players jogged the first part of the warm-up. The Western Bulldogs, well-known for their witty banners, got straight to the point with one that read:

'PAV – THE DICTIONARY DEFINITION OF AN ADMIRABLE OPPONENT.'

It was set up in an unusual position on the half forward flank at the city end. "I don't normally look at opposition banners but that one caught my eye," Pavlich said.

Pavlich came into round 23 with 699 AFL goals to his name. As the difficult year wore on, Freo fans were not going into games with the same lofty expectations as in recent years – but for this match there was one non-negotiable – Matthew Pavlich simply must score his 700th goal. Fittingly, for a team man it didn't come as a result of super-human individual effort, as many had in the past, but after one of the best bits of team play of the year.

Producers and scriptwriters couldn't have set up Freo's goal of the year any better. Even the 'cast' was perfect – a nice mixture of the young and the not so young. The action started with a precise kick-in from Lachie Weller in his 25th game that found Darcy Tucker (12 games) and the neat left footer picked out Chris Mayne (172) who handpassed to the running Matt De Boer (138) and his careful kick sent Hayden Ballantyne (141) on his way. A long handpass found Shane Yarran (six games) who was in about a hectare of space "out the back". It could have been Yarran's



TIME TO UNWIND: Pav celebrates in the rooms with his teammates after his final AFL match.

10th AFL goal but there was a man in his 353rd game running towards the goal square and Yarran did the team thing.

As this piece of footy precision was developing, Pavlich was out on the wing on the opposite side of the ground. It's a goal he will never forget: "I could see it unfolding, that we had momentum and our guys were out-numbering the Western Bulldogs players so I made a beeline for the goal square in the hope that a kick or something would land my way. As the play unfolded I ran a little harder to get there. When Shane first got the ball I thought, like 35,000 other people, that he was going to have a shot. I was pretty animated with my calling and he saw me and gave me an absolute soda in the goal square. Then in that celebration there seemed to be three or four waves of players that got to me. The guys involved in the goal got there first, then the mids and some straggling defenders got there about 30 seconds afterwards."

With Pavlich's 700th goal out of the way, and Fremantle in front at quarter time and a little bit further ahead at the main break, the mood changed – now we wanted a win. There were clear signs the Dockers had their defensive mojo back – an amazing chase by Ballantyne, Yarran getting to Bulldogs who thought they were free, crunching tackles by Mayne and the calm halting of Bulldog attacks by Garrick Ibbotson. The Dockers of 2012-2015 were hard to score against when they played like this and in the last quarter, the Western Bulldogs managed just one behind.

At the start of the last quarter, as the crowd roared its support, Pavlich spoke passionately to each of his forward line colleagues. "There were quite a few of them – Chris Mayne, Hayden Ballantyne, Michael Walters – that I've played a bit of footy with. I just said, 'This is the last half hour of your year and the last of my career, let's make it count.' Their effort is something I'll never forget. I mentioned that to the entire playing group during the week that after the game I wanted to feel that I'd left a positive influence on the group. I think the way they played showed there was genuine care. The win was the icing on the cake."

During the first quarter Pavlich went to the centre square for a bounce down and promptly won the clearance – a reminder that he was once an All-Australian midfielder. He was also an All-Australian defender and late in the last quarter he headed down towards defence just to snuff out any lingering possibility of



NEXT PHASE: Pavlich is looking forward to spending time with his kids post-retirement.

“THIS IS THE LAST HALF HOUR OF YOUR YEAR AND THE LAST OF MY CAREER, LET'S MAKE IT COUNT” MATTHEW PAVLICH

a Bulldog revival. He was on the wing on the railway side of the ground near the opposition bench when the final siren rang.

"I put my hands to my face. I think it was relief. It was such a big build up and a big week and such a long career was finally over – this was it. Pretty quickly Chris Mayne came over and gave me a big hug and said some incredibly nice things to me about how I'd been his mentor, how he'd loved playing with me and he'd never forget the influence I'd had on his life."

Pavlich spoke to injured Bulldogs captain Bob Murphy, who came out of the same draft, and fellow long-term warriors Matthew Boyd and Dale Morris. A young opponent also had something to tell the retiring champion. "Jason Johannisen said, 'You were my idol growing up. I had your poster on my wall.' Little moments like that I'll never forget."

The 20-point win had turned the occasion into a true celebration and that's what Pavlich wanted. He wasn't sad, he had made his mind up and was ready to retire and move on to the next phase of his life. "It was an unbelievable feeling doing that lap of honour in front of 35,000 people and not one of them, it appeared, had left. The victory allowed everyone to celebrate and importantly for the club to end the year on a good note and build some momentum into the pre-season."

Pavlich went under the surgeon's knife nine times during his AFL career but believes he's come out of it in relatively good physical condition. He will be able to run and swim and, importantly, will be able to chase his kids around – soon there will be three of them. "That's more than a lot of past players can say. I'm going to need some maintenance. My wife's a physio so I've married well," he laughed.

Asked to say what advice he would give to any young person starting an AFL career – or in fact any career – Pavlich said it was vital to realise time was a precious resource. "A quote from John Wooden (US basketball player and coach) resonated with me a few years ago:

'Success comes from knowing that you did your best to become the best that you are capable of becoming.'

"I sit here thinking I can tick that box – no matter the lack of a premiership or the sustained team success that I didn't have. I tried my utmost to get the best out of myself and I leave with the sponge dry. There is nothing left."

ONE LAST MILESTONE: Pav is engulfed by teammates after slotting goal 700 in an illustrious 353-game career.





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your journey

#THANKSPAV

ISC



To Pav
Coming over from South Australia to play for Fremantle was an exciting yet unknown time for me as an 18-year-old country kid.
From the day I walked in the door you made me feel part of this great footy club. Not only did your professional approach to your football, and unrelenting desire to improve personally and more importantly collectively, guide the way for me and the rest of the team but the way you have carried yourself off the field has been even more impressive.
There are many words I could use to describe you as a footballer, loyal, passionate and selfless are three that spring to mind but it's the fact I could use those exact three words again to describe Matthew Pavlich the person which makes you a perfect example for any kid to look up to and strive to become.
So thank you for all you have given to this club for the past 17 years, you leave behind a great pathway for many generations to follow.
Lachie Neale

Matthew,

It started with an emergency trip to hospital on day one and continued with countless hours on my treatment table. I have cherished the hours spent chatting in the physiotherapy room and in hospitals before your surgeries, and never underestimated the challenges I presented to you in rehab sessions after every injury.

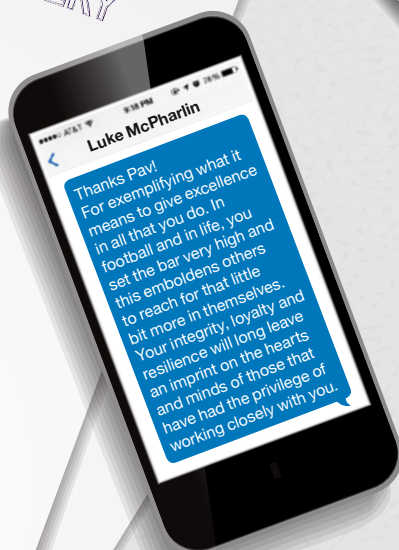
I have watched in awe as you have developed into a man, a husband, a father and an absolute champion. And my life is so much fuller for the experience. Only a handful know the full untold story, the blood, the sweat, the challenges and the triumphs.

I feel honoured to have witnessed the whole journey. Now I look forward to reminiscing about the very best of times over a good bottle of red, or two!

Congratulations,
Jeff Boyle



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Luke McPharlin
Thanks Pav!
For exemplifying what it means to give excellence in all that you do. In football and in life, you set the bar very high and this emboldens others to reach for that little bit more in themselves. Your integrity, loyalty and resilience will long leave an imprint on those that have had the privilege of working closely with you.



Letter to



Dear Harper and Jack,

The Fremantle Football Club asked me to write a letter to your father. He's retired. But I thought instead of doing that I'd write to you.

I've known your Dad since he first arrived in Perth and I think just about everybody knows, apart from you, how I feel about Matthew Pavlich. His name rolls off my tongue! I doubt there's a name I've written or said more often than 'Pavlich'.

Your Dad was a wonderful footballer, he was fearless and fair, he played by the rules but more importantly, he was a credit to his family and his football club. He was also a South Australian. At the beginning that was a problem. We all expected him to go home, but luckily for West Australian football he stayed. Best you ask your mum why, I think you'll love her answer.

The picture you see here is one of me alongside one of my proudest possessions, a Fremantle jumper that bears a very kind message from your Dad.

I'd like to think you might read this letter more than once along the way. If and when you do, you will know Matthew Pavlich far better than me but one thing is for sure we will agree.

Good luck, Dennis Cornetti

POSTCARD

Dear Pav,

When you have been involved in footy for as long as you have, it is easy to see that people are right when they say "the only consistency in football is inconsistency".

Teams rise and fall, players have good and bad years, coaches come and go. However, one of your qualities that I admire the most is that of consistency.

Regardless of our win-loss record, or our coach, or our playing group, you have been a consistently great team player, leader and mate - on and off the field.

It has been a privilege to play alongside you and when I look back I will feel fortunate to say that I played with one of the greats of this game.

Thanks Pav



Aaron Sandilands

To Pav,

My first impression of you was that you were incredibly mature for your age and I could clearly see you were going to captain our footy club.

You are loyal, intelligent and a lot of the traits we admire you for on the football field, you also demonstrate away from football.

You are a person of the highest quality and have had the biggest impact of any individual in the history of our footy club.

You are the Fremantle Football Club - the very heart and soul.

Thanks Pav,
Peter Bell



AIR MAIL

Matthew,

We are just so proud of you. What you have achieved over the past 17 years, both on and off the football field, is a credit to you.

Mum and I vividly remember the first trial game we saw you play against Collingwood at Waverly Park in 2000. There was our 'baby boy' out in the middle of the ground actually playing in the AFL - something you had dreamed of and worked so hard to achieve.

We were hoping you would eventually make it into the senior team but had no idea that you would go on to be a one-club player, let alone captain them to their first grand final appearance and end up playing 353 club games. All amazing achievements.

Throughout it all you have continued to be a loyal, caring and loving son, brother, husband, son-in-law, brother-in-law, father and friend. Great traits, love, that have more to do with the person you are rather than the footballer. We can't thank you and Lauren enough for letting us be so much a part of your life. We are very lucky parents!

As we have said on so many occasions - no regrets!!!!

Love Mum and Dad



ers Pav



Dear Pav,

We first met you ten years ago, when we contacted the club about our daughter Jessica and the battles she faced in her life ahead. They invited her to come down to the club to meet some of the players and have a look around. Jess was overwhelmed with excitement because she was going to see and meet some of the players she loved. Her favourite player was you, but we told her not to get too disappointed if you she didn't get to see you as you would be an extremely busy man.

As it happened, she did get to meet you and it was the start of a very precious friendship. You have played a special part in our lives as a family, but for Jess you are not just her hero. You are a friend. You have always made and taken time out to meet with her and you've played an important role in her life, always caring about her health issues. You put a smile on her face every time you meet, which is something we as a family cherish.

When Jessica turned 15 recently, the special video message you sent wishing her all the best, and thanking her for the years of friendship you've shared, broke her down to tears.

Matthew you are an extremely special person and Jessica and our family want to say a huge "THANKS PAV".

The Sheehans - 2008 Starlight Wish Family



To Matthew,

From the day I first arrived at this football club you lead from the front and embraced everything I wanted to implement. You were an extension of me and under many moments of intense pressure - you stood up.

For that and so much more, I hold you in the highest esteem.

I feel we won't fully appreciate you and everything you have done for this club until you are no longer here. Until I look across on day one of pre-season training... and you're not there.

You are a competitor and have held yourself together in superb fashion and can move on now and focus on all the other important things in your life.

You leave very deep footprints here at our football club... and they will remain deep for a very long time.

Thanks Pav,
Ross Lyon



Dear Pav

Well what can I say other than congratulations on your brilliant career with the Fremantle Dockers!

As someone who served in our military, I have always been impressed by your unwavering loyalty to this great club. You are one of only a handful of elite players that have shown true character through your desire to serve only one team and for that you should be extremely proud. Your time with the club is a testament to your character, leadership skills, strong moral courage and a drive to succeed.

Your commitment not only to the AFL, but to the broader West Australian community has been outstanding and you must be commended for these efforts in giving back to those less fortunate.

Thank you for showing such strength and professionalism during your 17-year career and I wish you and your family all the very best in retirement.

Best Wishes
Ben Roberts-Smith VC, MG



Hey Pav,

You've laced up the boots for one final time and I want to say thank you. Thank you for being such a true leader at the Dockers both for the team and for every single one of us in the Purple Army.

Through soaring victories and crushing defeats you kept the Freo faith alive when sometimes it would've been hard to, and you never gave anything less than your all on the field.

The number 29 will now stand as an example of what any young player would hope to achieve in their career.

For all the accolades, and the fact you accomplished them all with pure class, thank you. But more than anything, you dealt with that other McManus for far longer than any captain should. There simply isn't enough thanks for that.

Rove McManus



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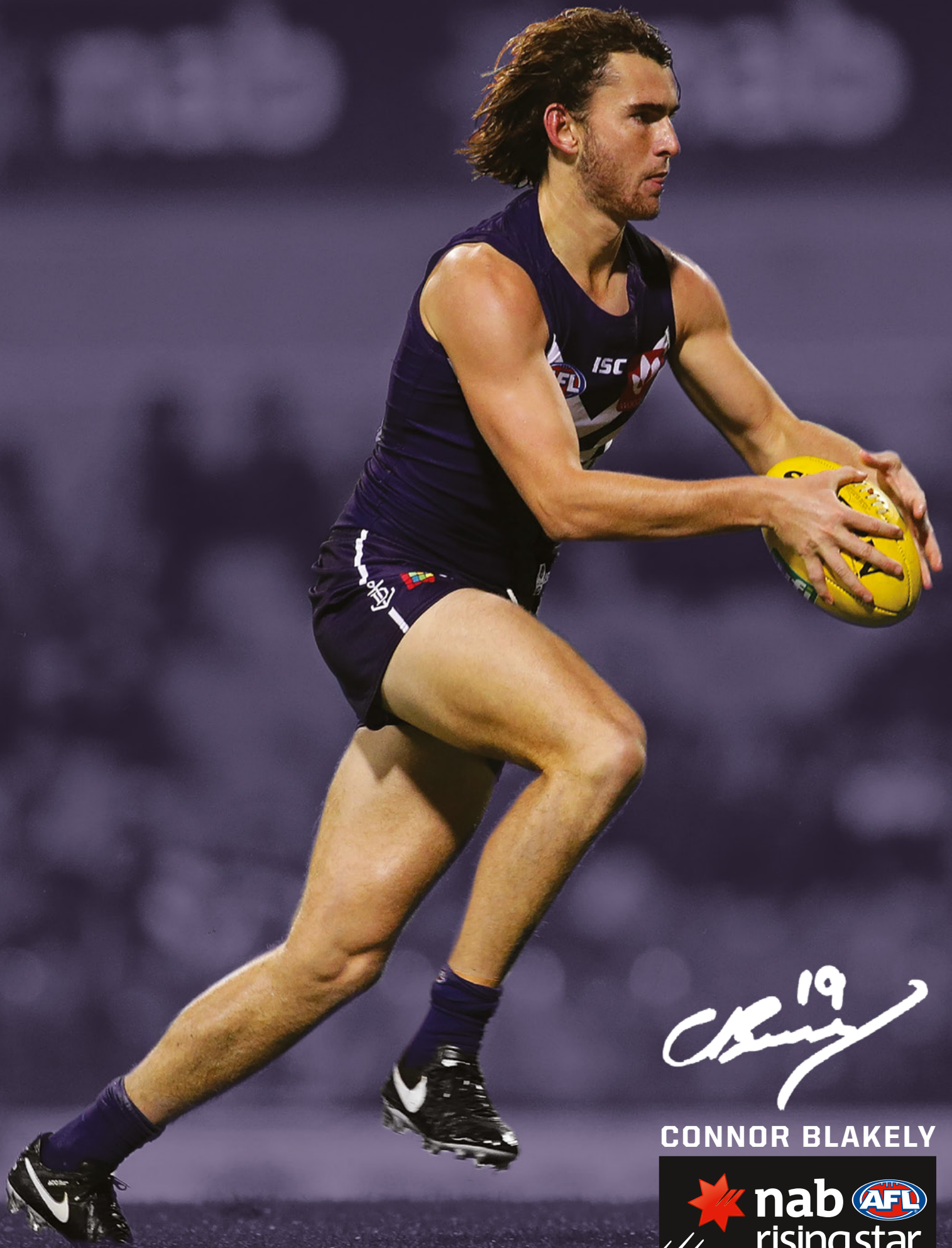


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2016 DEB

40 SAM COLLINS

HEIGHT 194 cm
WEIGHT 92kg
DOB 15-06-1994



Sam Collins' debut came against St Kilda at Etihad Stadium in round 10 after Michael Johnson suffered a season ending injury against Richmond a week earlier. Collins gathered 12 disposals and hauled in seven marks while playing on Saints great Nick Riewoldt, who he kept to two goals. It was a tough introduction against a forward line also boasting Josh Bruce, Patrick McCartin and Tim Membrey. Collins' composure saw him play the next 11 games and with height, strength and pace, the boy from Box Hill could be a vital part of Fremantle's defensive unit in years to come.



TOUGH INITIATION:
Sam Collins started his career opposed to Saints legend Nick Riewoldt.

STRAIGHT INTO ACTION: Darcy Tucker only had to wait until round five for his first taste of AFL football.



18 DARCY TUCKER

HEIGHT 184 cm
WEIGHT 78kg
DOB 23-01-1997



Darcy Tucker had a rapid introduction to AFL football, making his debut in round five against Carlton at Domain Stadium after being drafted with pick 27 last year. The young wingman started on the bench, but after Nat Fyfe suffered a broken fibula, Tucker had an opportunity to impress. The 19-year-old collected 16 disposals and took five marks and followed up his debut with 13 touches against Adelaide a week later. Tucker played 12 games in his first season, averaging more than 14 disposals a game and will continue to improve as he gains more experience at AFL level.

UTANT'S

41 SHANE YARRAN

HEIGHT 185 cm

WEIGHT 79kg

DOB 02-06-1989



A troublesome calf injury delayed Shane Yarran's AFL debut until round 18, when the forward started against the Gold Coast at Metricon Stadium. Yarran showed glimpses of the skill Fremantle fans were expecting, kicking two goals as Freo went down by 24 points. Yarran went on to play the following five games, kicking goals in each one. If Yarran can stay injury free and have a strong pre-season, he will be an integral part of Freo's forward line next year. For Season 2016, he will be remembered as the player who handballed to Matthew Pavlich for his 700th AFL goal.



IMMEDIATE IMPACT: Shane Yarran scored goals in each of his six AFL appearances in 2016.



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MEMBERS

The Fremantle Dockers are planning for the transition to the new Perth Stadium at Burswood to be a 'Members First' experience.

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Planning is underway for Fremantle Dockers members

Whilst the club continues to work with the AFL and the newly appointed operator of the stadium (VenuesLive) to agree on a long-term access agreement to the stadium that is in the best interests of the club and our members, we are already planning for the transition to Perth Stadium for the 2018 AFL season.

All Fremantle Dockers reserve seat members will be guaranteed a seat at the stadium for the 2018 season once their 2017 membership seat(s) have been renewed. The club is working to ensure that our members:

- » Have more reserved seating options available, including access to exclusive bars and lounges.
- » Have access to seating at a similar category and location to their current seating arrangements at Domain Stadium.
- » Can nominate groups of family and friends they wish to sit with at Perth Stadium
- » Can express an interest in securing seat(s) for family and friends who are currently not Fremantle Dockers members.

How do Fremantle Dockers members transition to Perth Stadium?

In October 2016, Fremantle Dockers reserve seat members will receive their 2017 Fremantle Dockers membership pack. To be guaranteed a seat at Perth Stadium members should:

1. Renew their 2017 reserve seat membership by 30 November 2016.
2. In early 2017, all financial reserve seat members will be invited to utilise the online seating map to review the reserved seat membership options available at Perth Stadium.
3. Once the club has allocated members a reserved seat that is the equivalent to their current seat at Domain Stadium members can then accept the seat at Perth Stadium; or
4. Utilise the online seating map to move to an alternative location in the stadium (subject to availability and with priority given based on years of membership).

Can members sit with friends and family who are also Fremantle members at Perth Stadium in 2018?

Please note that the club will allocate members a reserved seat(s) at Perth Stadium in a similar category and location to their current seating arrangements at Domain Stadium. The best way

for members to sit with friends and family who are also Fremantle members at Perth Stadium is to:

1. Complete the groupings form and return it to the club by 30 September 2016 via:
 - » The link to the online form found at www.fremantlefc.com.au/perthstadium
 - » Or for more information or assistance call the club on (08) 9433 7111 or email the club at membership@fremantlefc.com.au
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We are working to ensure that members can select groups of up to ten (10) people, and the group will be allocated seats based on the Fremantle Dockers member within the group with the highest years of membership. This does not need to be the nominated group leader.

MEMBERS FIRST

Can members secure additional reserve seat memberships at Perth Stadium?

If members are interested in securing additional seats at Perth Stadium in 2018; the best way is to:

1. Renew their existing 2017 reserve seat membership by 30 November 2016.
2. Request additional reserve seat membership(s) at Domain Stadium before 30 November 2016 by:
3. Complete an online form at www.fremantlefc.com.au/perthstadium
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What is the process for financial Harbour Master members?

Fremantle Dockers Harbour Master members must complete the same process outlined above, however Harbour Masters will receive further correspondence in early 2017 regarding their exclusive entitlements at Perth Stadium.

More information for Fremantle Dockers members

The club has a dedicated Perth Stadium information team to answer any questions regarding the member transition to Perth Stadium. We are open Monday to Friday from 8.30am to 5pm and can be contacted via:

- » **Email** membership@fremantlefc.com.au
- » **Phone** (08) 9433 7111
- » **In person** at the Fremantle Dockers Administration Building at Fremantle Oval.

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ANOTHER GOAL FOR NEW BASE

Construction on the club's new state-of-the-art elite training and administration facility at Cockburn Central West continues to push forward, with completion on track for early 2017. The project has recently passed its 50 per cent completion milestone.

The building has transformed over the past few months with the indoor stadium structure and roof formed, as well as the centrepiece glazed structure that houses the function centre and community health club.

Internally, works have progressed well in the Fremantle Football Club administration and football department areas, with joinery, tiling and carpets now all completed. The AFL oval has recently had the main goal posts installed, and showcases the difference in ground lengths between the new Perth Stadium to the Sydney Cricket Ground.

Over the next few months the club will be working towards the fit out phase of the project and, as we head towards another preseason, we could see some running sessions being held on the new training surface. 🏈



ALL HANDS ON DECK:
The Fremantle players visit the new state-of-the-art training facility in Cockburn.



PIN PALS:
Volunteers sell wristbands and pins in the precinct.



ALL IN:
Aaron Sandilands purchases his Foundation pin.



SALES PITCH: The Big Issue vendor David Bailey is interviewed during half-time of Freo's clash with Port Adelaide at Domain Stadium.

INAUGURAL FOUNDATION ROUND A SUCCESS

Fremantle's round 13 clash with Port Adelaide on Saturday 18 June showcased the important work of the Fremantle Dockers Foundation and highlighted a number of key organisations who have been assisted by the foundation this year. This included Ability Centre, Esther Foundation, Manna and Ngala, who all had a strong presence at the main gates while Constable Care provided a child safety stop at the Purple Playground.

The Starkick All Abilities football team took part in a grid game before the match and following the win over the Power, vendors of The Big Issue magazine, which helps provide life-changing opportunities for disadvantaged Australians, sold out of their allocations.

In addition, volunteers also sold limited edition foundation wristbands and pins in the stadium precinct with all proceeds going to the Fremantle Dockers Foundation to deepen the club's engagement with the community and help secure the club's future. 🏈

RICCIARDI FAMILY SUPPORTS FYFE AND THE FOUNDATION

The opportunity to have their name on the number 7 locker at the new training facility sparked a bidding frenzy among guests during an auction at the Fremantle Dockers Ball at Crown Perth on Saturday 16 July.

The auction, held in support of the Fremantle Dockers Foundation, gave guests the opportunity to secure the recognition rights for the number 7 locker for the next 10 years at the club's new primary training facility.

The bidding kicked off at \$3000, but a string of bids from tables throughout the Grand Ballroom saw offers quickly hit the \$15,000 mark.

It then became a war of attrition as bidding headed towards \$30,000, with just two tables left frantically making counter offers before the auctioneer's hammer came down at \$35,000.

The successful bidders were Ian and Silvana Ricciardi.

The Ricciardis are inaugural Fremantle members and Harbour Masters, with the family business, Ricciardi Seafoods & Cold Stores, also being a long time corporate partner of the club and supporter of the Fremantle Dockers Foundation.

"We have been with the club right from the beginning and we are incredibly proud to be associated with the Fremantle Dockers now and in the future," Ian Ricciardi said.

"The auction was a great opportunity to support the Fremantle Dockers Foundation and the important work it does both on and off the field.

"Nat Fyfe is a champion of the game who has already made a tremendous contribution to the club, so to have the Ricciardi family name on Nat's locker at the new facility at Cockburn is a great thrill and a privilege."

The auction raised more than \$145,000 for the Fremantle Dockers Foundation, which was established in June 2015 to support the important on and off-field work of the club, including:

- » The development of the club's new elite training and administration facility at Cockburn Central West.
- » The club's Community Goals program, which provides the opportunity for 100,000 school aged children to take part in health, wellbeing and mentoring programs each year.
- » Support for key charities through the Friends of the Foundation program, including the Starlight Children's Foundation, Redkite, Uni Camp for Kids, Esther Foundation, Ngala, Ronald McDonald House, The Big Issue, Yirra Yaakin, Starkick All Abilities Footballers and Constable Care Child Safety Foundation.
- » Provision of merchandise, game tickets and support to more than 300 other fundraising initiatives and causes across WA.

By supporting the foundation you can help the Fremantle Dockers make a positive impact both on and off the field. 



SOLD: Fyfe congratulates Mrs. Ricciardi post-auction.

MAN OF THE MOMENT: Nat Fyfe and host Edwina Bartholomew address the crowd at Crown Perth.



IN FOR THE LONG HAUL: Inaugural Fremantle members Ian and Silvana Ricciardi bid \$35,000 to have their name on the number 7 locker.

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WHERE HAVE THEY DOCKED?

DALE KICKETT

Dale Kickett joined Fremantle from Essendon in 1995 and went on to play 135 games for the club. He was just the third player to be awarded the Doig Medal when he was named club champion in 1997.

Tell us about your family?

I have three sons aged 24, 18 and 15. They've all played junior footy. My wife Kathy and I still live in Perth.

What do you do for work?

I work at the Wirrpanda Foundation as the program manager for the Moorditj Ngoorndiak Program. It is a longitudinal mentoring program that works with young Aboriginal males pre and post release from detention and in the community to reduce recidivism. I have been working with the foundation for seven years. I have also worked in both the employment and cultural awareness sector of the foundation.

What do you do with your spare time?

This year I decided to play footy again, so I haven't had much free time. I play in the veteran's league at Nollamara. My sons no longer play football and I missed the social element. Hence why I wanted to get back into it.

What AFL team do you support?

Freo. Definitely.

Freo's most exciting up and coming player?

Sam Collins. I like that he gives everything he has got. He is hard at the ball. In actual fact, his style of footy reminds me of Shane Parker's, only Collins has more aggression.

Do you have a favourite memory from your time at the club?

My first year at the club. There were so many firsts... challenging but memorable. I remember my first game at the MCG with Freo, we played Richmond and it was a very close game. While we did lose by five points, it was still very exciting.

Do you stay in contact with any past players?

Myself and Troy Cook work in the same program at the Wirrpanda Foundation. I see the other boys around the place, but work keeps me pretty busy.

What do you miss most about your time at Freo?

I miss the camaraderie. I think that is what led me to play footy again this year.

In 1997 you won the Doig medal, what was the highlight of that year?

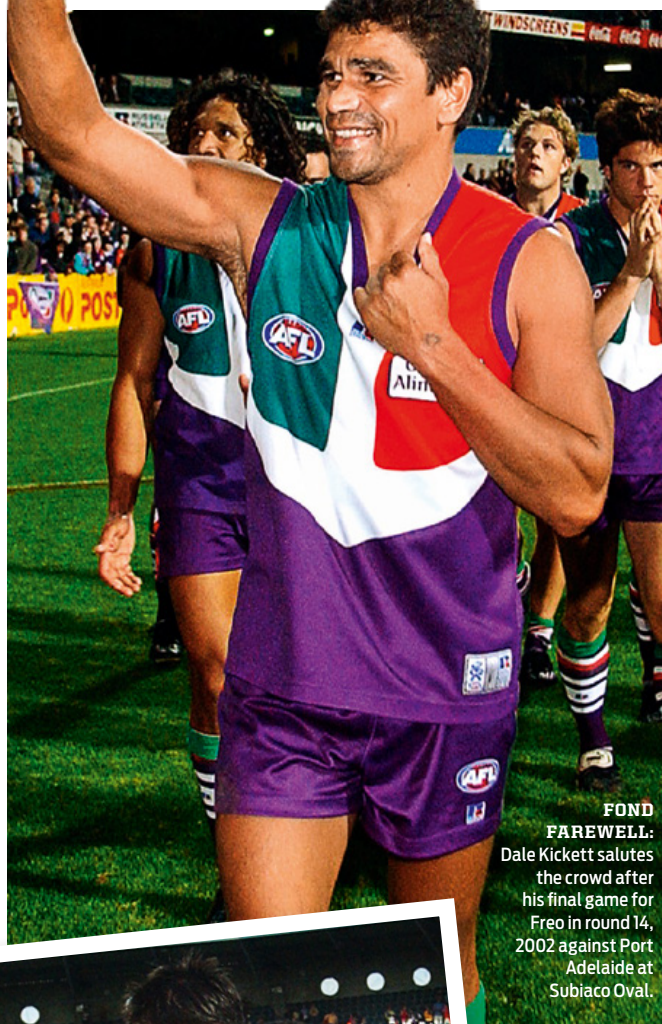
1997 was the closest we had been to making finals. If we had beaten Melbourne in round 23 we would have played our first finals series. Our first taste of success was a highlight.

In round 14, 2002 you were given a humbling send off by Port Adelaide. How special was that moment?

We all play against each other. But at the end of the day we all have a lot of respect for each other and what we have to do to play AFL footy. This was a great demonstration of that respect.

You were part of Matthew Pavlich's guard of honour for his last AFL game. How special was that?

It was an honour to see a legend and champion of our club off. The word champion and legend is a term thrown around loosely these days, but Pavlich certainly falls into this category. He is one of the reasons that my family go to the footy, he is someone that we can rely on. Getting the win was a great way to finish Pav's career. It also gives fans hope and optimism for next season. Hopefully we can get back to playing really good footy. 🏈



FOND FAREWELL: Dale Kickett salutes the crowd after his final game for Freo in round 14, 2002 against Port Adelaide at Subiaco Oval.



EMBRACING CHANGE: Kickett and Pavlich played 28 times together between 2000 and 2002.



ALL HANDS ON DECK: Fremantle players presented some very special kids with Bravery Awards in July.

BRAVE HEARTS

Two-year-old Eva Collins was diagnosed with a brain tumour in April this year. She suffered two months of unsteadiness, vomiting and a seizure before doctors made the heartbreaking discovery.

Eva has had brain surgery and chemotherapy to remove and shrink the tumour. Sadly, Eva's sight and hearing has been affected.

On Tuesday 9 July, Eva's courage was honoured by Fremantle's Darcy Tucker at the 22nd AJ Diamond Club Bravery Awards ceremony.

Tucker was joined by fellow first year players, Harley Balic, Ryan Nyhuis, Shane Yarran, Sam Collins and Matthew Uebergang

at Ronald McDonald House in Nedlands for the annual ceremony.

In what has become a club tradition, Fremantle's first-year players presented the remarkable stories of six young patients from across Western Australia.

Tucker said the awards provided him with perspective on how comparatively trivial AFL can be.

"Obviously football is just a game," Tucker said.

"Sometimes we all get caught up in it a bit too much.

"All of the stresses of football is nothing compared to what these sick children and their families go through."

Ronald McDonald House ambassadors Connor Blakely, Cam Sutcliffe and Hayden Crozier

also attended the ceremony and spoke candidly about their relationship with Ronald McDonald House.

Hayden Crozier said the challenges faced on the footy field were incomparable to the challenges faced by the patients and families of Ronald McDonald House.

"Footy can be hard at times, but when you see the challenges these families face, it feels silly to be stressing about footy," he said.

"When you chat to the families and learn about their stories, it really puts things into perspective".

The Fremantle Dockers Foundation is proud to have Ronald McDonald House as an associate level 'Friend of the Foundation'.



LITTLE FIGHTER: Eva Collins was presented her award by Darcy Tucker.

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Harper Ricciardi is 15-months-old and has been a Freo member since birth. She doesn't let her toddler status stop her from going to Freo's home games with her mum and dad.

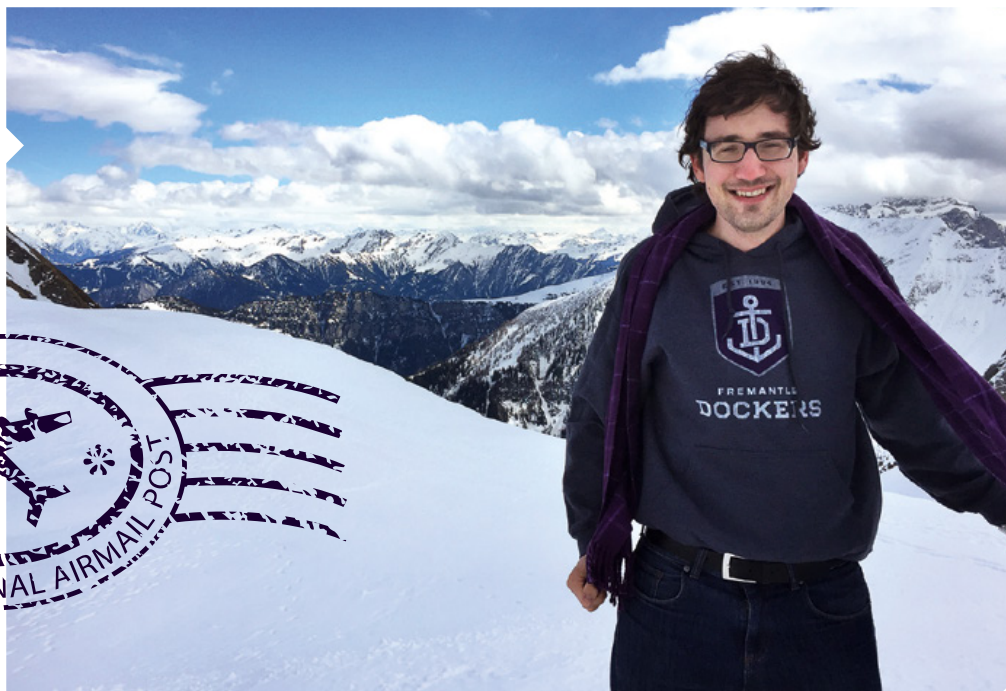
ASHLEE AND ENZO RICCIARDI
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ON TOP OF THE WORLD

This is a photo of my Swiss nephew, Benjamin Wullschleger at the top of Mount Pizol in Switzerland. Benjamin joined the Purple Army on a recent trip to Perth and has been spreading the purple joy since.

PHILIP SMITH
VICTORIA PARK





WHEN IN ROME

On our family trip to Europe, we enjoyed three weeks in Italy. I felt there was only one shirt suitable for our trip to the Colosseum. We always spread the Freo passion, no matter where we are in the world.

BERTOLATTI FAMILY
ATWELL



HOME SWEET HOME

My son Taaj couldn't resist the opportunity to share his purple passion when we visited our hometown of Halls Creek in the East Kimberley.

JANENE BEDFORD
BROOME



BON VOYAGE

On a family trip to Paris, our son Karus decided the statues in the Jardin des Tuileries were not appropriately dressed. He rectified the situation!

STEVE & TRESNA MACLEAN
BICTON



#THANKSPAV

Six-year-old Jayden was over the moon after meeting his favourite will miss seeing Pav run out with the team next season.

KAREN AMATO
SUCCESS

AIR MAIL

BIRTHDAY CHEER

Passionate Freo fan Chloe was delighted to receive her junior member birthday card in the post.

SARA PALMER
LEEMING

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2016

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ROUNDS 12-23

ROUND 12

v Brisbane

Saturday, 11 June, 4.35pm
The Gabba

FREMANTLE

3.3 12.3 18.7 23.9 (147)

BRISBANE

3.3 4.6 7.6 9.10 (64)

OVERVIEW

After a slow start, Fremantle rallied to secure a commanding 83-point victory over Brisbane posting their second win for the season. Lachie Weller's 22 disposal and four goal performance saw him receive the NAB Rising Star nomination for round 12, while Matt Taberner top scored for Freo, kicking five goals straight for the day.

KEY STATS

GOALS Taberner 5
DISPOSALS Blakely 29
MARKS Taberner, Hill,
Barlow, Spurr 8
TACKLES Mayne 9



ROUND 13

v Port Adelaide

Saturday, 18 June, 2.35pm
Domain Stadium

FREMANTLE

2.3 5.8 11.9 12.14 (86)

PORT ADELAIDE

3.3 4.6 9.12 9.15 (69)

OVERVIEW

Fremantle played a tightly contested game against Port Adelaide, with the lead changing six times before Fremantle took a comfortable lead to win their third game in a row by 17 points. Michael Barlow (43) and Lachie Neale (38) lead the way for Freo, while Zac Clarke gave Freo first use all day from the stoppages with his 43 hit-outs.

KEY STATS

GOALS Pavlich 4
DISPOSALS Barlow 43
MARKS Spurr 9
TACKLES Barlow 8



ROUND 14

v Collingwood

Friday, 24 June, 7.50pm
MCG

FREMANTLE

0.1 1.4 3.5 5.7 (37)

COLLINGWOOD

3.4 7.8 7.10 12.13 (85)

OVERVIEW

Collingwood started the game quickly booting three goals to Fremantle's one point in the first term. Fremantle fought hard to reduce the deficit in the third quarter, but were over-run in the final term, as Collingwood ran out 48-point victors. Michael Barlow (31) and Lachie Neale (27) continued their good form, while Michael Walters was influential with 28 touches, six marks and a goal.

KEY STATS

GOALS Pavlich,
Ballantyne 2
DISPOSALS Barlow 31
MARKS Walters,
Collins 6
TACKLES Suban 10



ROUND 15

Bye Round





ROUND 16

v Melbourne

Saturday, 9 July, 7.10pm
TIO Stadium

FREMANTLE

2.0 3.1 7.4 8.7 (55)

MELBOURNE

6.5 9.8 11.11 12.15 (87)

OVERVIEW

A six-goal opening term from Melbourne saw Fremantle trailing for most of the game. A third term burst from Freo was promising, but the Demons ran out the game with a 32-point victory. Hayden Crozier continued to grow in his new half-back role, gathering 20 disposals and taking eight marks, while Lachie Neale finished with 33 disposals and eight tackles.

KEY STATS

GOALS Pavlich 3
DISPOSALS Neale 33
MARKS Crozier 8
TACKLES Neale 8



ROUND 17

v Geelong

Friday, 15 July, 6.10pm
Domain Stadium

FREMANTLE

4.1 7.2 7.3 9.7 (61)

GEELONG

1.3 6.7 8.11 11.12 (78)

OVERVIEW

Fremantle started strong, leading after the first break, but a strong surge by the Cats in the second term saw Freo's lead cut to just eight points. Geelong continued on with their second-term form to run out eventual 17-point winners. Stephen Hill was influential with 37 disposals, four marks and five tackles, while skipper David Mundy finished with 24 disposals and eight tackles.

KEY STATS

GOALS Pavlich, Walters, Barlow, Ballantyne, Blakely, Weller, Taberner, Sutcliffe, Mundy 1
DISPOSALS Hill 37
MARKS Sutcliffe, Pavlich 6
TACKLES Mundy 8



ROUND 18

v Gold Coast

Saturday, 23 July, 2.10pm
Metricon Stadium

FREMANTLE

3.0 9.5 10.6 12.9 (81)

GOLD COAST

5.2 8.3 12.7 16.9 (105)

OVERVIEW

In a fierce contest the scoreboard was tight until a late surge by the Suns saw them take a comfortable lead into the fourth quarter. Fremantle fought hard, but were over-run in the end by 24 points. Lachie Neale continued to find the ball with his 42 disposals while Michael Walters finished the game with 24 disposals, seven marks, five tackles and four goals.

KEY STATS

GOALS Walters 4
DISPOSALS Neale 42
MARKS Mundy, D. Pearce 8
TACKLES Griffin, Sheridan, Walters 5



ROUND 19

v Sydney

Sunday, 31 July, 1.20pm
Domain Stadium

FREMANTLE

1.0 3.2 4.3 7.5 (47)

SYDNEY SWANS

3.7 7.7 15.9 21.11 (137)

OVERVIEW

In Matthew Pavlich's 350th game against Sydney, the contest was close for the first half of the match. The Swans came out firing after the main break, kicking eight goals to one in the third term, and finished the game 90-point winners. David Mundy (44) and Lachie Neale (41) found plenty of the ball, while Pavlich kicked two goals in his milestone match.

KEY STATS

GOALS Pavlich 2
DISPOSALS Mundy 44
MARKS Crozier 10
TACKLES Tucker, Mayne 10





ROUND 20

v West Coast

Sunday, 7 August, 2.40pm
Domain Stadium

FREMANTLE

3.2 5.6 7.7 9.10 (64)

WEST COAST

2.2 7.5 12.7 17.8 (110)

OVERVIEW

The first half was tightly contested, until cross-town rivals West Coast kicked away in the third term. Freo made a late comeback, but lost by 42 points in the end. Stephen Hill (30) and Lachie Neale (29) lead from the front, while the return of ruckman Aaron Sandilands with 23 hitouts gave the Fremantle midfielders good access to the ball.

KEY STATS

GOALS Pavlich, Sheridan,
Yarran 2

DISPOSALS Hill 30

MARKS Spurr 10

TACKLES Mundy 7



ROUND 21

v Adelaide

Sunday, 14 August, 2.40pm
Domain Stadium

FREMANTLE

2.1 6.2 7.3 11.4 (70)

ADELAIDE

4.4 10.9 16.10 21.16 (142)

OVERVIEW

Fremantle fought hard in the first term, but were over-run by a strong Crows outfit. Adelaide eventually took control of the game and defeated Freo by 72 points. Lachie Neale continued his impressive season with 31 disposals and seven tackles and Michael Walters provided a solid contest, gathering 17 disposals, taking five marks and kicking five goals.

KEY STATS

GOALS Walters 5

DISPOSALS Hill 32

MARKS Ibbotson 6

TACKLES Blakely 8



ROUND 22

v GWS

Saturday, 20 August, 4.35pm
Spotless Stadium

FREMANTLE

4.3 5.5 5.6 5.7 (37)

GWS GIANTS

5.4 8.7 12.10 19.15 (129)

OVERVIEW

Fremantle started quickly against top four contenders GWS, with Shane Yarran booting three goals before quarter time. But GWS, stinging from a last gasp loss to West Coast a week earlier, kicked away after the first break to win by 92 points. Lachie Neale became just the third player to reach 700 disposals in a regular AFL season, as he collected a further 40 touches against the Giants.

KEY STATS

GOALS Yarran 3

DISPOSALS Neale 40

MARKS Spurr 11

TACKLES Neale 12



ROUND 23

v Bulldogs

Sunday, 28 August, 2.40pm
Domain Stadium

FREMANTLE

4.1 7.2 9.3 10.9 (69)

WESTERN BULLDOGS

2.4 4.9 6.12 6.13 (49)

OVERVIEW

For Fremantle, round 23 presented a number of milestones. Matthew Pavlich kicked his 700th career goal in his 353rd and final AFL appearance before Lachie Neale broke the record for the most disposals in an AFL home and away season (737). Freo were gritty at the contest and dour in defence. The Bulldogs looked threatening in the third quarter, but were held goalless in the final term as the home side ran out 20-point winners.

KEY STATS

GOALS Walters 2

DISPOSALS Neale 36

MARKS Ibbotson 14

TACKLES Mundy,
de Boer 6





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If your local footy team is in the finals, Jenny and I wish you the best of luck. Keep fit over the off-season, keep practising your skills and you will be ready to go when pre-season starts for 2017.

Catch you on the flip side,

JOHNNY
'THE DOC'



SPOT THE DIFFERENCES

HOW MANY CAN YOU FIND?



Answers: 1. The colour of the ball has changed from red to yellow. 2. The ISC logo has been removed from Matthew Pavlich's guernsey. 3. The 'F' on the banner has changed to an 'E'. 4. Matt de Boer's guernsey has changed to green. 5. Matthew Pavlich's daughter's jeans have changed from blue to purple.

PAVOLUTION

GUESS THE YEAR



Answers:
1. 2010
2. 2013
3. 2003

MINI PAV-LOVAS

INGREDIENTS.

- + 2 egg whites
- + 1/2 cup (110g) caster sugar
- + 300ml thickened cream, whipped
- + 2 bananas, sliced
- + 125g fresh strawberries, hulled
- + 2 passionfruit, pulped



Step 1 You will need to use an oven, so make sure you have an adult helping you when you cook these.


Step 2 Preheat oven to 150°C. Line two baking trays with baking paper.

Step 3 Place egg whites into a medium-sized bowl. Beat with electric beaters until soft peaks form. Gradually add caster sugar, beating well between each addition. Beat until mixture is thick and glossy, this will take at least five minutes.

Step 4 Spoon a heaped teaspoon full of the mixture onto the baking trays. Flatten the meringues into a disc and bake for 20-25 minutes, or until crisp. Cool completely in the oven with the door ajar.

Step 5 Top the meringue with cream and decorate with fruit. Serve immediately.





I wonder everyday,
As I look upon your face.
EVERYTHING YOU GAVE,
And nothing you would take.
Nothing you would take,
**EVERYTHING
YOU GAVE.**

Lyrics to 'Just Breathe' by Pearl Jam - Pav's favourite band.



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