

Point Post

Round 10, 2013

President's Report

Keeping warm: Our uniform is very summery, and in wet windy conditions our players might feel the cold. Some players without undergarments came off in the last round because they were understandably too cold to play.

GSJ by-law 24.14 reads:

Undergarments, such as lycra shorts, must be beige, black or white. Full length undergarments (items other than the playing jumper or shorts) may only be worn with the prior approval of the Regional Committee.

The older competitive age groups would need to stick to this strictly and not wear long undergarments in order to avoid being seen as having a competitive advantage.

In the non-competitive age groups however, and on the wet days in particular, we just want the kids to best enjoy their footy. I encourage U11 and below, that are most affected by such conditions, to wear either short or long undergarments so long as umpires, officials and players can distinguish one player from another. The club

uniform, including socks, need to be on display as the outer garments.

The picture below was taken when our two U11 teams played each other in Round 10: Whites v. Purples. Please take note of both short and long undergarments in use.



Dressed for the conditions!

Thank you: Ian Riley has made BBQ set up and pack down much easier with the addition of wheels to our very heavy and solid BBQ. The fresh coat of paint looks good too.

Congratulations Hayley: It's wonderful to have another Orange shirt umpire graduate from our player ranks. See the following article by Brett Middleton.

Round 11: Sunday 30th of June is a match day for the GSJ competition. Please forewarn your manager if you are planning a holiday that precludes you from playing.

Fundraising committee: Scott Johnstone is leading a fundraising committee and requests that parents interested in joining the committee contact him directly on unlimitedplumbing@yahoo.com.au .

Keep a look out for an email from your team manager regarding the upcoming chocolate drive to raise needed funds to pay for the first aid courses so that we have one first aider per team.

– Thomas Jubb (0429 794 743)
President, North Ryde Dockers

Congratulations Hayley!

Our congratulations to Hayley, who is our newest local Umpire to be promoted from a “Green Shirt” to an “Orange Shirt”.

What, you may ask, is the difference with the colors? A green shirt Umpire is a junior who starts with the youngest age groups and then as they gain experience they move up to older age groups. In that period they learn more and are coached by Umpire coaches as

well as sharing on-field tasks with other more experienced Green and Orange shirt umpires. Eventually a “Green Shirt” umpire has gained enough experience to be promoted to Orange shirt. As a result, the Orange shirt umpires mentor and help the junior Green shirts and at the same time are promoted to more senior games.

Hayley started umpiring 3 years ago when she was unable to continue to play AFL and the Sydney all girls comp unfortunately could not make enough numbers to consistently allow proper games. Being a boundary Umpire for a short while allowed Hayley to get to know everybody and another young female umpire at the time provided inspiration. In those days, the Dockers ran its own umpire team and Beachy was a huge motivator for new Umpires and as a result Hayley took the step.

A 11 month interruption for an exchange trip to Switzerland (when she was 13) delayed her growth and knowledge, but once back in Australia Hayley was super keen to “make up for lost time”.

Since her return, the Umpire coaching was amalgamated to a region that trains every Monday night at Cherrybrook under the

guidance of Dean and Steven.

Hayley says, "*Umpiring is a great opportunity to get involved in a sport you enjoy, whilst not actually having to play the game*". Add to this the free food and the \$20 or so paid per game (it increases with experience) and you can see why getting involved in umpiring is a great way to be part of the club. Hayley adds, "*Getting started is easy. As long as you have a rough idea of the game, you can be an umpire and then learn from the experts.*"

Hayley is keen to help anyone get involved with Umpiring and more recently started as a mentor to young club members. She can be contacted through the club's umpire ambassador (details below), or look for her at ELS on Sundays!

Like our kids in the sport from Auskick to the Pro's, umpiring is full of kids growing and learning to be involved. Often we forget that they like the Players are also learning and they also are our children. The Umpires are great ambassadors for the sport and allow another avenue to be involved.

The club needs more umpires, and starting at 10 or 11 years old as a

boundary umpire is a great stepping stone and at this level the club provides free BBQ food every Sunday!

If you want to try out contact Brett on Brett@MRTperformance.com.au or call 0408 261043 anytime.

Cancellations

Due to the wet weather, the Auskick, and the U9W, U12, and U13 matches were all cancelled.

Trivia question

How many AFL teams have a bird as their nickname? Answer later this issue!

U9 Purple

Driving through Hornsby I was thinking the game would be called off for sure as it was pouring rain. But upon arrival I took a quick vote from the boys and it was unanimous that play must go on... "Bring it on," they said. "Let's go!"

Their keenness to play in the cold wet conditions was transferred to the game where everyone contributed to a great team effort. The Swans could learn a thing or too from the boys today in how to play wet weather football!

It was so pleasing to see some of the great work at training being

played out in the game. Every player, when they got a possession, took time to look for a team-mate and more often than not kicked it to a team mate who in turn kicked it to another team mate. There were a number of times when the ball went from Grechy in the backline to Henry in the centre to James and Hugh in the forward line and on to goal.

Josh and Liam had their best games of the year. Josh was solid in defence and kicked out long to his team-mates on many occasions. Liam took a spectacular mark in the forward line and passed off the James who went on to score. Some great long kicks from Liam at fullback as well. Hugh hung around the goal square and read the play really well today picking up a few goals with the ball going over the forward packs straight into his hands so he just had to turn around on that big left foot and boot a goal.

Kieren Jack (Henry), Daniel Hannebery (James), Buddy Franklin (Hugh) and Grechy were everywhere and combined very well given the conditions. Mitchell scouted the packs in the wet conditions superbly and picked up a number of kicks. Noah rucked well and repelled many of the

Eagles attacks towards goal with strong defence and good long kicks to his team-mates.

A great team effort this week where I think all the boys had their best game for the year so far. Well done to all and great team song boys to round the day out.

With rain forecast for most of the week I doubt grounds will be open for training but I will txt everyone Wednesday at about 2pm when the ground closures are updated as to whether training is on.

Next week we play the Whites at 10:10am. Go the Dockers!

– David Lugsdin

[U11 Purples and Whites](#)

This weekend saw the U11 Whites vs the U11 Purples and in the true spirit of the Dockers and as we have done for a previous game, the teams were mixed up to give the kids an opportunity to play with some different team mates.

Coaches Julian and Kyle decided to give the day a special theme by pitching the 10 year old players from the two teams against the 11 year olds (both regular coaches also stepped aside from coaching for the day). Greg Randle coached

the U11 Pavlichs with Brad Charters coaching the U10 Fyfes.



To even up numbers Ben Riley (U12s) and Sam Gregoric (U11s) played for the Fyfes. These two players played well and really made it tough for the Pavlichs. The game started in damp conditions, but soon deteriorated into constant rain which made it a very contested, tight game all day. This style of game probably suited the Fyfes better and it was they who posted the first goal of the game. As you would expect the Pavlichs fought back and made a real game of it all day.

Top players for each team were Robbie, Mason and Nick for Pavlichs, and Matt, Alex and Adam for the Fyfes. Those who proved themselves to be tough little players in tough conditions were Harry, Frisie and Lachlan W for Pavlichs, and Luke and Yianni for the Fyfes.

Although it was a wet and pretty miserable day, it was a great example of Dockers spirit, which threw up all sorts of challenges for the kids to respond to (such as learning to bond/work with a different group to the norm and showing resilience in adversity). The kids learnt valuable lessons in dealing with these sorts of tests, but more than that, they showed themselves and everyone who watched how they rose to these challenges. Well done to all. Go Dockers!

– Kyle Mahoney, Julian Turner,
Greg Randle & Brad Charters

U16

Another great effort from the boys in very wet conditions and against the team running third on the ladder, the Mosman/Willoughby Swans. Once again we started with only 18 (no bench) against a side of 23.

In a low scoring game the boys battled hard and by the end of the first quarter the Swans knew they were in for a tough game. The Swans benefited from an umpiring decision in the dying minutes of the first quarter to kick a goal and lead by few points.

The second quarter continued just as hard and our boys held the Swans to a nil score line and took the lead at half time. The Dockers were running hot all over the park but Paddy and Max in particular were standouts.

The third quarter was our downfall. It started with Max getting crunched and having to leave the field with a corked thigh. We were now down to 17 and missing our gun centre player, and the Swans kicked the next 4 goals to take the lead.



The fourth quarter saw Paddy join Max on the sideline with another leg injury reducing the team to 16. However, as they did last week, the boys fought hard and once again silenced the Swans and kept them to a nil score. Unfortunately we were unable to claw back the four goals to go down by only 11 points, 37 to 26.

Well played – everyone put in a great effort. Well done to Josh and Liam coming back from injury.

– Ian Whelan

Trivia answer

Five: the Adelaide Crows, Collingwood Magpies, Hawthorn Hawks, Sydney Swans, and West Coast Eagles. (The Essendon Bombers may fly, but they don't count as a bird!)

Thanks!

Thanks again to Amanda Jubb for the photos, and managers and coaches for their reports.

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