



SENIOR COACH'S REPORT

ROUND 2, 2015 v NOOSA

RESERVES

Noosa 21.12.138

Moreton Bay 0.2.2

While looking at the score only indicates a bad day for the Reserves, it doesn't tell the story behind the scenes that promises our future is still on the up. Numbers were really being tested due to the unavailability of a number of players both in the Seniors and Reserves. This provided us an opportunity to see some of our up-and-coming 17s. What was great from a coach's point of view was the eagerness they showed to fill in and have a go. Noosa were dominant and clearly well-drilled, and we have a long way to go to get to that level. But the endeavour was still there to be seen by our 17s and some of the two's veterans. Unfortunately, we had too many players down who struggled to have any impact on the game. While that happens, there are still things you can do to contribute, but most found it too hard on the day.

Hayden Jeffrey continues to play well and is regaining his fitness and is sure to come under consideration for Seniors in the near future. Damian Harding also continued on from last week and along with James Matthews provided plenty of experience to the youth of the team. Even more promising was the performance of Noah Fry from the 17s who looked as though he was meant to be there and showed some of his teammates what competing is all about. We enjoy the bye this weekend, which is probably a god send as it gives us a chance to recoup and revitalise our bodies for the game against Mayne on the 2nd of May.

SENIORS

Caloundra 11.4.70

Moreton Bay 30.11.191

Goals: L. Simmons 4, J. Dickfos, T. Ricker, Z. Crispe, K. Wall, C. Allen

Yet another score card that doesn't look flattering, but once again the story behind the game itself sits better with the coaches than the score does. There was still no excuse for our lapses of accountability throughout the game. There are no excuses for our poor use of the ball at times. But when you look at where we have come from, you realise we are making inroads. We competed very well and never eased off on our attack at the ball and the pressure at times was exciting and intense. In the end, two extremely poor quarters cost us 20 goals, and obviously you don't recover from that when playing a quality side like Noosa. Their clean possession and use of the ball meant their forwards were going to see a lot of it, and through sheer weight of numbers their scorecard kept ticking over. We did however manage to kick a score three times the average of last year and, as mentioned, our endeavour was there.

Missing a couple of bigger bodies with Nick Warren and Steve Browne unavailable made it a little more difficult. The loss of Corbin Dickfos 10 minutes into the game after being heavily concussed in an attempted tackle made the rotations harder. Bad went to worse when Kerrod Wall went down with a knee injury before halftime which has now effectively ended his season. Jackson Dickfos and Michael Matthews were restricted to the goal square through illness and injury. So needless to say, the remainder of the boys battled hard with Scott Hines, Jono Giles and Trent Ricker performing best, closely followed by Lincoln Simmons, who finished the day with 4 majors, and Asher Livsey, a late inclusion who I thought held his own.

We now regroup over the next couple of weeks and enjoy the bye with an opportunity to continue to work on our deficiencies in readiness for our clash with Mayne on May 2nd.

Once again thank you to our sponsors, supporters and of course our volunteers for your encouragement. It is greatly appreciated.



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