



SENIOR COACH'S REPORT

ROUND 11, 2015 v MAYNE

SENIORS

Moreton Bay

6.10.46

Mayne

20.17.137

Goals: R. Nickalls 3, C. Dickfos, N. Warren, J. Huisman

Our story in the Seniors is about the development of a team and the focus on restructure and reeducation. We have shown that we can compete, we will have a crack, we play the game with passion and determination, and most opposition take us seriously and respectfully. Where we let ourselves down is our use of the ball, and as we all know that is where the battle has been won and lost so far this year. On the weekend Mayne were better with the ball usage and more clinical in their set ups. As good sides do, they made us pay for our mistakes... and we had plenty. If we are to achieve some consistency then our control of the ball needs to be a lot better. Our ability to hit targets with both hand and foot needs to improve considerably.

That aside, we played one of our best quarters of the year in the first against Mayne. We won the ball out of the middle, we ran hard, we hit targets, and we pressured them into some uncharacteristic mistakes. More importantly, we applied scoreboard pressure to be only a couple of points down at quarter time. From then on we still continued to work hard and compete and apply pressure, but had to chase for the majority of the remaining three quarters because we couldn't hit our targets. Some players didn't have the impact we would normally expect from them, which happens. That doesn't mean the effort wasn't there. The frustration from the game was not the result but the story behind it, and the knowledge that we know we are better than that. That has been the story of our last two games.

Karl Brockman worked extremely hard on the best forward in our competition, Luke Faulkner, and even though he had a fairly good day again, when Karl got to have an even contest with pressured ball coming into our backline, he more than held his own in the one-on-one battle. When Faulkner was on the lead and there was little pressure on the ball coming down, he was always going to be hit on the chest and no back man can cover that. Braeden Cester continues to find his feet in senior footy and is looking more and more solid as a member of the backline. Jono Giles never puts in a bad game and worked as hard as he always does, as did Blair Surmon.

RESERVES

Moreton Bay

1.2.8

Mayne

23.12.150

Goal: C. Turner

It is no secret that we are rebuilding our football structure and are in search of players to add depth and create a foundation for our future. But before this gets to where we want it to be we will experience a lot of ups and downs. The makeup of our Reserves team will change from week to week as players try to settle in to the rigours of senior footy and find consistency. We also use it as an opportunity to introduce some of our youth to senior football, and to be able to harness and develop that talent is very important. We also expect players to learn new team structures, set ups and training mentalities — all vital to one's preparation if aiming to play at this level.

The weekend's game against Mayne was obviously not the result we are looking for and it doesn't indicate the strides that have been taken in the development of this team. Players who have had no football history, or very limited exposure, are beginning to see and understand the reasoning of certain aspects of the game, and are already better educated on the why and why nots. We will continue to educate throughout the week in the hope that more players will come to the realisation that their actions have consequences for the team — both good and bad. That extra hard work on the track and a real focus on deficiencies is the only way to improve.

As we have done so far this year we will continue to work in search of the perfect game as we prepare for Maroochydore up on their turf on Saturday.

We continue to thank our support staff, supporters, volunteers and sponsors for allowing us to represent you and our Club, and hope we continue to have your support for a long time to come.



Regards

Rob Dickfos

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