

PAFL Round 17, August 28, 2004.

VICS

Ben Casey
Brett Marshall
Peter Dolinsky
Nick Mason
Andrew Cope
Derek Ackary
David Bell

DINGOES

Aaron Holbrook
James Young
Iain Lamb
Mark Snowden
Gary Powell
Les Patton
Philip Davis

The PAFL had great weather to kick off this weeks game at Smart Stadium, lovely blue skies and a hot day for the big end of the month BBQ bash. Both the Dingoes and Vics were undermanned going into the contest, the Dingoes were missing Kingston and Griffio while the Vics had Lindsay out with a hamstring and Justo running amok up in Angeles. The Vics started well, frequently winning the ball out of the centre with Brett Marshall kicking the Vics into the lead with a good goal. The Vics dominance continued until James Young kicked a good crumbing goal to level the score. Seagull Ackary had a few shots on goal but couldn't split the middle and James Young compounded the Vics inaccuracy by kicking another goal to give the Dingoes their first lead as an upset loomed.

The Vics continued their dominance of the mid field and Seagull Ackary started to find his range inside the arc kicking a couple of goals along with Cope to put the Vics 3 goals up. The Victorians were kicking into the wind but this didn't seem to stop them as they won the quarter by 2 goals, the only thing keeping the Dingoes in it was a lovely snap from Les on the right foot from deep inside the right pocket (easily the goal of the game).

The third term was almost the same as the second quarter, the Vics were taking their chances at goal and the Dingoes simply didn't. Again Ackary kicked 2 goals and was looking in ominous form as the Dingoes were desperately searching for forward options. Big Azza and Roastie were working hard in the midfield trying to set up scoring options for the Dingoes who managed only a single point for the quarter. Andrew Lindsay was again among the best players for the Vics, but this week as an umpire. Ben Casey contested really well and he won a free kick against Snowy and kicked his first PAFL goal as the audience broke into a frenzy of cheering for the young fella.

In the 4th quarter, the Vics were clearly struggling as the Dingoes started to get rolling. Good midfield play enabled Gary Powell to kick 2 goals for the quarter as the was put into pasture in the forward line and was looking dangerous. James Young seemed to be gathering up the possessions at will as he also kicked his third goal of the game when he easily stepped around Seagull Ackary to give the Dingoes a fighting chance of a win. Fitting enough though Ackary was the one who killed off the revival when he gathered the ball unchecked in the forward line and kicked truly. In the end the Dingoes won the last quarter by 19 points but lost the game by 7 as the Vics made it 2 in a row. Many thanks to Andrew Lindsay for umpiring despite his hamstring injury! Final scores:

Vics: 1.3, 4.4, 7.4, 8.4 **(52)**

Dingoes: 2.0, 3.1, 3.2, 7.3 **(45)**

Goal Kickers:

Vics: Ackary 5, Marshall, Cope, Casey 1

Dingoes: Young 3, Powell 2, Lamb, Patton 1

It was a great turnout on Saturday, easily PAFL's most attended game of the year with 39 adult spectators, 15 children and 14 players! Most stayed back for our regular end of month BBQ which was a great way to top off what was an excellent game of well contested footy. A match report unfortunately wasn't available from 2 weeks ago (Round 16), so apologies for all those that sit in front of their computers eagerly awaiting for the match reports to come through. Thanks to James Young for the match report for this week. The season is hotting up with 2 games left of our domestic season and only 3 points separating the Vics and Dingoes for the battle of the wooden spoon. Be there for the last 2 games, with the last game being down in Alabang on Sept 11. It is shaping up to be a great contest!

	Drawn 1 pt.	(1-10) 2 pts.	(11-20) 3 pts.	(21-30) 4 pts	(31+) 6 pts.	Premiership Points
Dingoes :	1	1	1	1	4	34
Vics :	1	3	2		3	31