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He's got it all.. balance, poise, style & pinpoint accuracy over an awesome distance

Nice Toro!





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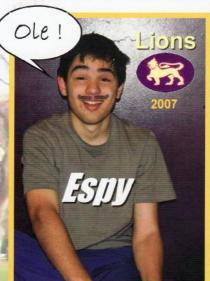




How did I miss that ?

2007

Lions







Pull the other one mate! You're here for the goals!!

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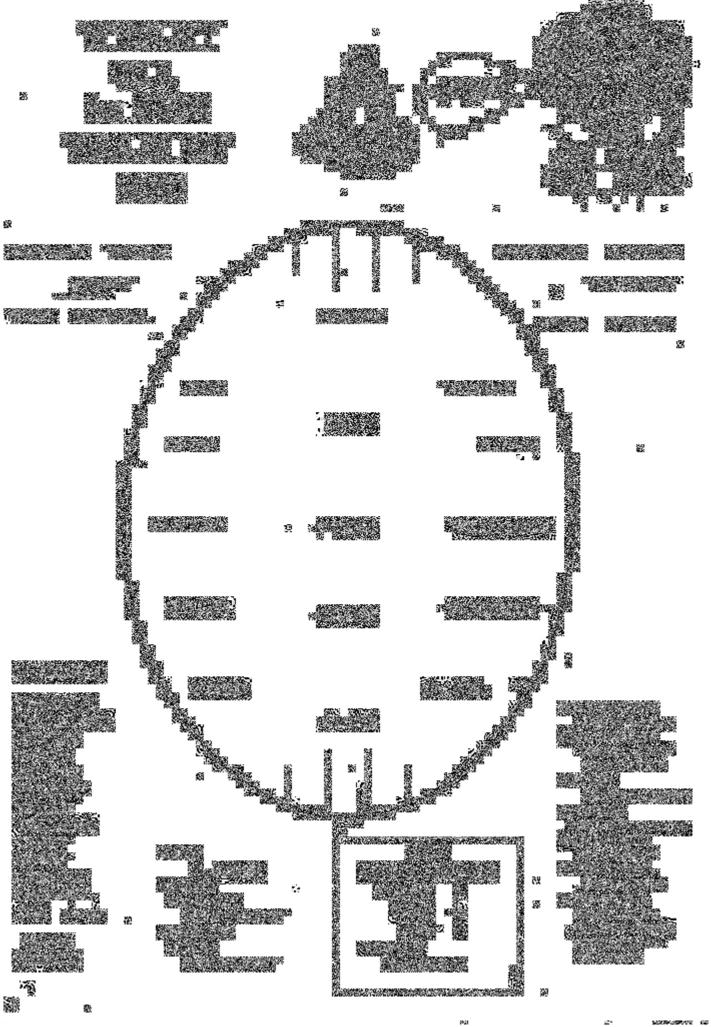
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Wesley College St Kilda Road First XVIII aka Wesley College Fourths



Jubilant Lions following their final round victory over Melbourne Grammar



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Toby Cohen Tribute Page

2007 **Player of the Year**

- T. Cohen 26
- 17 A.O'Neill 15 A.Jolly
- T.Bagnara 12
- 12 H.Gairns
- 11 L.Hawkins
- A.Wright 9
- 9 S.Griffin
- 8 Z.Beerens
- 8 C.Thorpe
- 6 **R.Wilkinson**
- 6 J.Kelly
- 6 A.Keys
- 5
- **R**.Williamson 5
- P.Vickery 5
- P.Gordon 2
- **B.Ruskin**
- 1 W.McMullin
- 1 M.Zippel

VOTES AWARDED BY UMPIRES COHEN, COHEN AND COHEN

2007 **Goal Kickers**

- 24 **T.Cohen**
- S.Griffin 6
- A.Wright 6
- 5 **R.Wilkinson**
- 4 T.Monti
- 4 **T.Bagnara**
- 3 **R**.Williamson
- 3 L.Hawkins
- 2 M.Cramer
- 2 M.Crone
- 2 S.Newton
- 1 J.Morrissey
- 1 W.McMullin
- 1 **B.Ruskin**
- 1 A.Trudzik
- 1 A.Keys



Wow! What a year! After a couple of merciless poundings I had a word to the boys and we did a number on the Scholarship School to which I contributed an even 10. Then I was hit by a crippling injury and we lost a couple (no connection), but I bounced back at the Harry Trott with a bag of 6, kicked our entire score the next week and capped it off with a lazy 5 in the final round. I'd lack to thank my team mates for making up the numbers and my family for their support (and their votes)

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Of course, I picked up my ten at the very famous Glenferrie Oval!







Round 1 MAY 4 2007



Quick hands from Will McMullin under pressure



Mike Zippell avoids being the meat in the sandwich with a well timed mark



Lazarides takes evasive action as Hamish Gairns kicks goalward

MATCH DETAILS

WESLEY	4. 5. 29
SCOTCHIES	19.13.127

- **GOALS** Cohen, Bagnara, Hawkins, Morrissey
- **BEST** Gairns, Jolly, Bagnara, Wright, Keys, Zippell, Morrissey, Cohen, Hawkins, McMullin, Beerens etc

INJURIES Spiller, McMullin, Morrissey, **SEEN & NOTED**

- * Four fixture amendments in three days
- * Umpire bouncing the ball pre the pre match address
- * Wesley's bookend goals the first and the last of the match each within 30 seconds of the siren
- * The Boat Crew fan club
- * Rory's big Friday night
- * Hamish almost scoring a goal during the fourth quarter *Powerplay*
- * Alex Jolly's quick hands & high leaping
- * Zippell's courageous well timed running mark (pictured)
- * Paz tunnel balling out of a scrum (pack)
- * Vickers escaping from the back pocket
- * Lazar & Cramer sleeping in...
- * Bazz rushing his kick & missing a sitter
- * Parso not missing any goals
- * Courageous efforts in the light weight division - Bags and Lewy
- * Zac's encouraging comeback
- * The Will-Adam-Zippell combination bringing the house down
- * Top tackles from Toby and Paz
- * Great defensive pressure during 3rd Qtr holding Scotchies to a solitary goal
- * Hamish's reliable defensive work
- * Jay lifting the team with his 4th Qtr goal
- * Keys (borough) losing his cool
- * Rory not taking any ****
- * Croney's offence/defence versatility
- * Cooky approaching peak fitness?
- * Spills putting his body on the line and copping a knee in the back
- * Lions finishing on top with Lewy's goal



Oh no! I thought the wind was NNW at 23 knots. Toby miscues



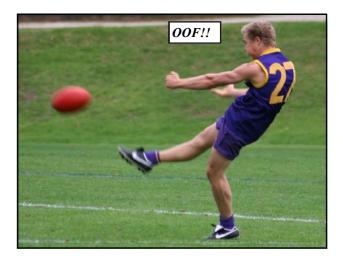


In the back umpy! Matt Cramer is taken out of it



Nice goal son. You've obviously been watching me

Alex Jolly takes off as Bags prepares to pounce



Round 2 MAY 12 2007

MATCH DETAILS

WESLEY 4. 10. 34 GEELONG COLL 16. 18. 114

- **GOALS** Cohen, Newton, Cramer, Keys **BEST** Cohen, Williamson, Hawkins, Griffin, Lolly Boy, Tall Timber, Gordon, Bagnara, Gairns etc.
- **INJURIES:** Zippell (ankle), Williamson **SEEN & NOTED**
- * Zac twisting an ankle during the pre-pre -match warm up
- * Geelong's team breakfast at Portfolios
- * The Lions' ever expanding bench
- * Wearing the purple with pride and imag--ination (uniform shop or op shop?)
- * Lolly Boy's faulty goal compass
- * Tall Timber (Mr.X) enjoying his footy
- * Griffo's impressive dodging and weaving
- * Toby's aerial acrobatics
- * Richo's penetrating torpedoes (How far would they go if he was healthy?)
- * Paz and Kroges throwing their weight around in the goal square
- * Cramer converting a Richo long bomb
- * Another solid performance from Lewy
- * Bags and Lolly Boy setting up Sammy N for a third quarter goal
- * Alex having a jolly good sleep in
- * Will Mac showing form in the pivot
- * Croney plugging gaps again
- * Bazz, Laz and Parso tag teaming
- * Burra's PowerPlay Goal
- * Vickers back in his comfort zone
- * Kroges cutting the CHF out of the game
- * Zipper rolling his ankle
- * Paz's clever handballs & serious tackles
- * Jay' streamlined sleeveless guernsey
 * The coach's impossible equation -
 - 26 into 18 just doesn't go!
- * Harley's Swannies going down to the Saints
- * Alex O's unorthodox soccer warm up
- * Spills searching for his 2005 form
- * Rory zoning on the Saturday morning zone
- * The Hamo & Ads Combo PowerPlay not living up to expectations



Mr.X (aka Tall Timber) floating on air during Saturday's big game





Richo roosts



The Toby Cohen Show



Sammy Newton handballing out of danger and taking a finger tip mark during the final quarter







Defender Paul Vickery caught in a sandwich

Newcomer Kroger is late on the scene



Lion skipper, Tim Bagnara reveals his Italian background with this fancy piece of "calcio"





Alex Keys (Burra) is caught napping by a stray footy



Tom Candy (aka Lolly Boy) fires at the big sticks



Matt Spiller is outmanoeuvred by an enemy hovercraft



Sim entertains the bench with one of his popular party tricks





Round 3 MAY 19 2007

MATCH DETAILS

WESLEY HAILEYBURY

21. 14. 140 6. 12. 48

- **GOALS** Cohen 10, Griffin 3, Bagnara 2, Hawkins, Trudzik, Williamson, Cramer, Wright
- **BEST** Cohen, O'Neill, Hawkins, Thorpe, Vickery, Griffin, Trudzik, Bagnara, Gordon, Wright, Williamson, Morrissey, Gairns, Cramer, Spiller, Keys, Crone, Lazarides, Parsons, Kroger

INJURIES: Williamson, Cohen, Thorpe **SEEN & NOTED**

- * The Lions' awesome 9 goal opening term
- * Toby quick to stamp his name on the game
- * Spills adapts well to an unexpected promotion
- * Toby setting up Griffo for a snappy goal
- * T-Train Trudzik and Charlie "T.T" Thorpe controlling the air space
- * Lewy's lovely linking play on the wing
- * Paz shepherding Griffo for his second major
- * Vickers attacking the ball with courage
- * Richo headbutting the sparsely turfed Turf
- * Baggas skilfully crumbing our sixth goal
- * Hamo sneaking forward to set up Lewy
- * Burra to Baggas to Trudzy for our ninth
- * Jay enjoying a run up forward
- * Ads and Alex O'Neill busy in the midfield
- * Parso searching for the zone
- * Bags setting an example with quick hands
- * Richo and Thorpie trying to take each other out in the goal square
- * Richo finds the goals with a 45m mongrel
- * Creative switching by the Lion defence
 * Play of the Day —

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Cramer-Griffo-Toby-Baggas = GOAL!
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- * A handy 52 point Lion lead at half time
- * Toby threads his fourth from the boundary & No. 5 with a scissor kick from close range
- * Espy (Laza) marks but plays on for a poster
- * Hamo the not so happy hoverer
- * Kroges still recovering from Friday night
- * Third time lucky Crames finds the target!
 * Run of the Day Hamo goes cross country
- to set Ads up for a major * Crone fires up and thumps the ball 50 metres
- * Paz and Griffo fire up and fly the purple flag
- * Toby brings the house down with goal No. 10
- * Thorpie leads the victory sing-a-long





The big men fly but Alex marks



10 goals!

No. 7 coming up...



Another one bites the dust! Paz shows them who's boss.



Charlie shapes for the big thump whilst Bagnara scouts



Burra releases the ball to an invisible team mate



Two hands for beginners! Hamish attempts another hover



Sam Griffin applies a textbook tackle





STYLISH DEFENDERS Hamish Gairns and Alex Keys demonstrate their kicking styles

Eyes on the ball son! Richo Williamson lets one slip but Alex and Jay are ready to pounce





"Hey that was mine!" Matt Crone snatches the ball



Paz Gordon makes the ball his object (for a change)





Wiz Wez Zimbah Wolly Wolly Woo!!!



Adam Wright pounces... Toby Cohen celebrates...Sam Griffin takes no nonsense... ...Paz fires up

Round 4 MAY 26 2007



Lion wingman, Lewis Hawkins is manhandled by a Xavvy



Skipper Tim Bagnara launches a long bomb into the wind



A Xavvy bloodnut squeezes out a handball despite receiving

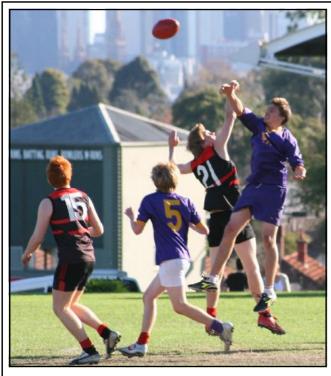
MATCH DETAILS

WESLEY	5.3.33
XAVVYS	11. 16. 82

- **GOALS** Wilkinson 2, Monti, Bagnara, Williamson
- **BEST** Jolly, Bagnara, Gordon, Hawkins, Gairns, Vickery, O'Neill, Griffin etc
- INJURIES Gordon, Keys, O'Neill

SEEN & NOTED

- * A gusty wind demanding gutsy football
- * Xavier's height advantage
- * Early pressure applied by Bags & Vickers
- * Xavier forced to bomb away with the wind
- * Our neat defensive chipping
- * Paz taking control in the ruck with his precision palming
- * Burra finding Tristan with a searching into the wind kick.
- * Trizza marking strongly and converting
- * Lazar's watch still set to Barcelona time
- * Rory finding space on the forward line and goaling early in the second quarter
- * Adam's courageous smother off the boot
- * The Lions' persistent tackling
- * Wesley failing to get a favourable bounce
- * Alex Jolly and Paz throwing themselves ruthlessly at the opposition
- * Griffo's 360 setting up Rory for his second
- * Zac's long clearing kicks across the lines
- * Lewy and Crames matching it with their weightier opponents
- * Alex O covering hectares of territory
- * Croney's timely big man mark
- * Sam Newton's restrained verbal support
- * The Xavvy trying a header at a throw in
- * Bags and Jolly upping the aggro in the 3rd
- * Hamo's reliable and thoughtful defence
- * The captain's goal against the flow
- * Spills busting his guts Buzz spilling his
- * Paz copping a friendly kick in the shins
- * Griffo showing a clean pair of heels
- * Trizza's awesome presence in the goal mouth
- * Richo finally getting his head together to mark and goal



Alex Jolly flies high during the final quarter



Lewis Hawkins misjudges a mark

Alex O'Neill in pursuit



No half measures! Alex Jolly tackles with gusto!



Against the odds! Burra holds off the enemy. Zac runs in support

Adam on the burst

> OUCH! Caught in the middle







The skipper breaks clear with the footy



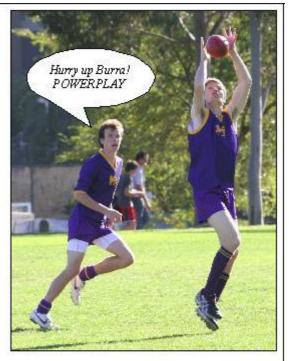


Ads and Crames wait for a stray ball

Hamish keeps his balance and gets his kick

Alex Keys makes good position...





Richo overcomes his bruised brain to mark well during the final quarter





Guest full forward, Tristan Monti in the thick of the action during the final quarter





"They probably sell steroids at the tuckshop!"

Round 5 JUNE 2 2007

MATCH DETAILS

WESLEY5. 6. 36BRIGHTON GMR18. 19. 127

- **GOALS:** Wilkinson 2, Griffin, Wright, Newton
- **BEST:** O'Neill, Wilkinson, Bagnara, Thorpe Griffin, Beerens, Vickery, Gairns, Wright, Gordon, Hawkins etc.

INJURIES: Williamson

INJUDICIUS ACTS: Thorpe, Newton **SEEN & NOTED:**

- * Missing stars leave our ranks depleted
- * Our disappointing first quarter (no doubt attributable to exam pressure)
- * Early easy goals to Brighton
- * Good example provided by Bags and Ads but conversion a problem...
- * Lions forced to shoot for goal from deep in the pockets
- * A much improved second term, matching Brighton for the first 15 minutes.
- * Charlie's mark a minute Powerplay
- * Suzie Alex O'Neill's impressive display in the midfield - elusive and courageous
- * Zac's persistent rebounding
- * Rory turning up and turning it on
- * Griffo displaying agility in setting up Ads for a checkside soccer goal
- * Lions stringing together crowd pleasing passages of play.. Jay to Bags to Rory
- * The Newt converting from close quarters
- * Paz making every contact count
- * Toby's malfunctioning ball magnet
- * Vickers contesting with vigour
- * Richo and Hamo breaking the lines with their ground to ground missiles
- * Lewy as slippery as ever on the wing
- * Will Mac demonstrating his versatility at both ends of the ground
- * Espy keeping everyone guessing with his tricky handballs (and his throwin!)
- * Spills and Griffo teaming well for Rory to register his second goal
- * Jay tagging two helmet heads for the price of one
- * Last quarter pressure prevents scoreboard blowout (Whew!)



A Big Day Out for Rory New Lion star turns it on!



GIMME THAT THING!



– Mike Zippel



OOPS! A rare misjudgement by the usually reliable Hamish Gairns



Sammy Griffin is pinned 2/3rds of the way through another elegant 360 but later (RIGHT) gets his revenge

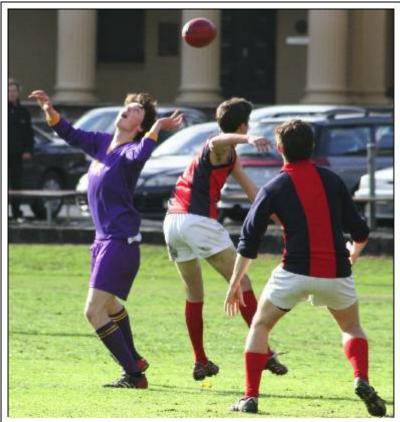


"Slamming Sammy" Newton the human gravitron machine



Stalwart Lion defender, Paul Vickery shrugs off a Brighton opponent





SPIKE! Zac Beerens resorts to volleyball tactics



Adam Wright spoils a Brighton mark



Matt Spiller makes sure of a mark





Lewy Hawkins lifts off





Round 6 JUNE 16 2007

MATCH DETAILS

WESLEY	13.8.86
XAVIER	9.9.63

- **GOALS:** Cohen 6, Griffin 2, Wilkinson, Crone, Hawkins, Ruskin
- **BEST:** Kelly, Cohen, Jolly, Griffin, Gairns Wilkinson, Bagnara, Gordon, Williams, Vickery, Ruskin, Hawkins, Spiller, Beerens Keys, O'Neill, Wright, Zippel, Kroger, Crone, Lazarovits
- **INJURIES:** Gordon (shin), Jolly (head) Ruskin (leg wound), Hawkins (various injuries consistent with a mugging)

SEEN & NOTED:

- * Long awaited comebacks by Kelly & Rusko
- * A positive start despite Xav's opening goal
- * An early stat to Kroges (a good omen!)
- * Griffo setting up Toby for our first goal
- * Great teamwork moving the ball forward
- * Paz's quickhands to Rory to Toby = GOAL * Suria Q'Neill missing the starter's nicted
- * Suzie O'Neill missing the starter's pistol
- * Griffo's clever marking tactics * James Kelly's evenementing of
- * James Kelly's awesome running game * Bagga's persistent second efforts setting Rory
 - up for a rebound goal
- * AC Vickers plugging gaps and directing traffic * Burra holding down an opponent & his brekky * Croney capping off the quarter with our fourth * Alex "Mountain Man" Jolly crashing packs * Lewy "Chaddy Boy" Hawkins tackling hard
- * Spiller's speed & close to the ground agility
- * Rory's well timed hips and shoulders
- * Hamo's exciting marking & play switching
- * Jack "Etcetera" Kroger dropping in for a mark
- * Paz maintaining his weekly tackle count * Col and Paz teaming for the old "one two"
- * The Lions happy to be 7 points up at the break
- * Baggas challenged for the captaincy
- * Strong clearing defence from Zac.
- * Kroges flattens Toby but the goals keep coming
- * Rusko registers the Lions' seventh major
- * Griffo flies the flag and almost loses his cool
- * Kelly's unstoppable downfield charges
- * Lewy capitalises on a goal square free
- * Rambo Wright muscling his way forward
- * Espy takes a spekky and then takes his time...
- * Zippel zipping around the packs and flanks * Criffe and Puello teaming well together
- * Griffo and Rusko teaming well together
- * A hot pass from Baggas gives Toby his sixth * Xav's foghorn silenced by Kroge's comeback
- * A touch of magic from Toby helps Griffo to hammer the final nail into the Xavvy coffin.



The unstoppable James Kelly! Running, jumping but never standing still





BELOW: Tim Bagnara lays a mean tackle





LEFT: Toby Cohen flies high



Adam Wright reads the back of the pack to perfection



Alex "Burra" Keys attempts to spin the footy on his finger



Sam Griffin flies the flag after a ruthless Xavier tackle





Alex Jolly and Sam Griffin demonstrate the spring in their heels



Rambo Wright flexes his muscles



Timmy Bagnara collects the footy as the pack bears down on him



Hamish Gairns searches for a handball target



Tough defender Paul Vickery feeds out a slick handball



Toby Cohen cops one to go on with

I think I'll be walking





Rory Wilkinson tries the tricky outside banana kick on the run



"Welcome back Rusko!" Ben Ruskin cops a pile driver



Col Williams in the thick of the action. Spills and Toby look on



"Those Xavs are pussies... Chaddy boys are much tougher!"

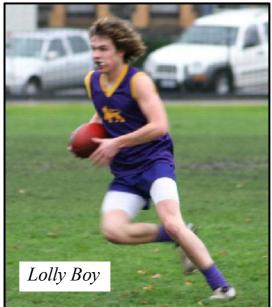




Burra in an uncharacteristically attacking frame of mind



Nobody argues with Killer Kelly!



Action from the Friday arvo "Friendly" on the Front Turf Fourths vs Year 10s Big Boys 6.9.45 Kids 5.12.42



A rare appearance from Australia's answer to David Beckham - Miraculous Marcus Mimmo

Round 7 JULY 21 2007



Players from both teams burn off their excess testosterone during the third term

RIGHT: Full back, Zac Beerens effects a great spoil

BELOW: Ben Ruskin shows courage as he waits for a hospital kick to arrive



MATCH DETAILS

WESLEY	1.0.6
CAULFIELD	11. 9. 75

GOAL: Cohen

BEST: O'Neill, Beerens, Keys, Bagnara, Ruskin, Wright, Cohen, Menzies, Gairns, Spiller, Griffin, Williamson, Vickery, Hawkins, McMullin, Espy, Kroger

INJURIES: Newton (blood nose) Keys (head) **SEEN & NOTED:**

- * Alex J & Paz enjoying the snow at Buller
- * Jack (etc.) Kroger enjoying the snow at Wheelers
- * Ben 1 & Ben 2 recovering from Lauristons formal
- * Caulfield's humungous bully boys
- * Espy inspiring the team with a special handball
- * Spills and Zac showing the way with courage
- * Strong defence from Vickers and McMullin
- * Alex O'Neill on fire in the pivot
- * Caulfield's lucky frees in front of goal
- * Burra holding his own in the ruck
- * Zippa showing versatility at either end of the field
- * Bags being bounced around like a pin ball but always bouncing back!
- * Toby's gutsy marking
- * Lions teaming well and playing quality footy but struggling to convert
- * Lewy putting his body & his future on the line
- * Richo showing leap and dash all over the field
- * Rambo Wright using his strength in the midfield
- * Hamish and Toby competing for Mark of the Year
- * Rambo attempting to KO Burra
- * Alex O taking a spekky
- * A great passage of play resulting in our one and only goal Toby-Menzies-Toby-Spiller-Newton and an unselfish short pass to Toby = GOAL!
- * Griffo copping more than his fair share of attention
- * The disappointing premature conclusion....



BELOW: Boys, boys, boys!! It's just a bit of fun ump! Nothing to worry about!

Round 8 JULY 28 2007

MATCH DETAILS

WESLEY15. 20. 110MELBOURNE GMR5. 9. 39

- **GOALS:** Cohen 5, Wright 4, Monti 3, Crone, Williamson, McMullin
- **BEST:** Cohen, Wright, Beerens, Bagnara, Gairns, McMullin, Jolley, Williamson, Thorpe, O'Neill, Vickery, Keys, Zippel, Crone, Monti, Cramer, Espy....Griffin

INJURIES: Griffin (BigFridayNight Syndrome) **NOT SEEN BUT NOTED:** Lots of players **SEEN & NOTED:**

- * The unprecedented differential between the hypothetical team & the actual team
- * Lions generously giving MGS a head start
- * Toby Cohen sparks up his tentative teammates
- * Croney stamping his name on the game with two gives to Toby & a powerhouse mark
- * Rambo Wright's take no prisoners tackle
- * Zippa & Rambo setting up Toby for No. 3
- * Will McMullin looking comfortable at CHF * Charlie, Will & Toby narrowly missing a 10
- second goal
- * Suzie O'Neill and Crames oversleeping again
- * Vickers & Co minimising MGs opportunities
- * Zac's persistent rebounding breaking the lines
- * Espy maintaining his scintillating training form & keeping pace with the game
- * Baggas keeping the ball on a string
- * Alex Jolley's lateral movements compensated by good second efforts
- * Griffo waking up and helping to feed Croney a banana goal
- * Will McMullin dominating across half forward
- * Hamish & Rambo producing a long awaited POWER PLAY goal
- * Lions leading by 34 points at the long break
- * Richo's skilful juggling trick
- * Charlie's tall timber mark in the corridor
- * Trizza producing maximum results with a minimum of effort - 3 goals from inside 20m
- * Boat boys Zippa & Macca combine for a goal
- * Alex O & Baggas creating countless moving targets through the midfield
- * Burra negating with vigour and determination
- * Alex J running a half-marathon
- * "Sticky fingers" Gairns racking up the marks
- * Matty Cramer displaying flair on a flank
- * Richo picking up a goal but letting his fanclub down by not getting onto a 65 metre torpa
- *Trizza almost sneaking a fourth goal
- * Vickers laying a memorable tackle
- * Rambo and Toby fittingly sealing the match



Zippa with Birthday Boy Sam Griffin







Lion superstars Alex O'Neill and Hamish Gairns displaying poise and balance



ABOVE: Will McMullin at full stretch

LEFT: Talented forward, Toby Cohen in full cry



Winners are grinners! Guest goal sneak Tristan Monti & Adam "Rambo" Wright







Cross Country champion Alex Jolley takes on the entire Grammar team



Matt Cramer sends the ball forward. Zippel advises





ABOVE: Adam Wright searches for anothet goal to add to his already impressive tally

LEFT: Attacking full back Zac Beerens drives the Sherrin out of danger



Crone kicks vaguely towards the goal Will McMullin keeping the ball moving at all costs



POWERPLAY!





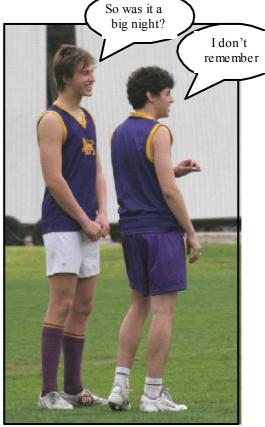
Tim Bagnara feeds a slick handball off to goal sneak Toby Cohen



Richo Williamson has a momentary lapse of concentration ... no doubt he's thinking about kicking a 65 metre goal



Mike Zippel looking every inch the footballer!

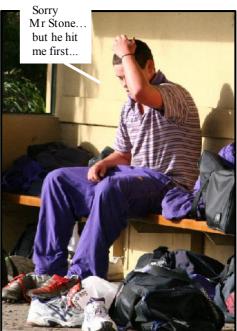


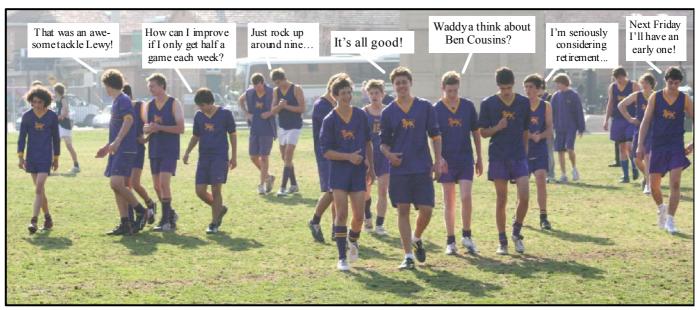


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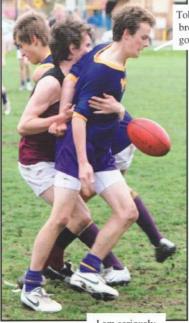




How did they ever do those stupid drop kicks

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A guaranteed \$150 per game.. a \$5 bonus for every goal you kick and all the pies you can eat after the match...



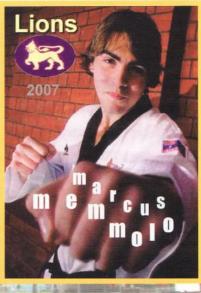
I am seriously tempted ...







Toby!! Tell your brother I haven't got the ball !! BUGGER!



Of course, anybody can ride one of these using two wheels.

... but I like to live on the edge! lig g







