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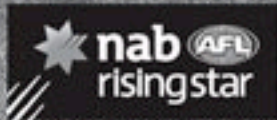
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We're right behind the next NAB AFL Rising Star

At NAB we believe everyone has the opportunity to shine. As passionate supporters of the NAB AFL Rising Star, we're proud to recognise the young stars of today and the champions of tomorrow. Following one of the most talented drafts in years, which player will soar to new heights and become the 2008 NAB AFL Rising Star?

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Change for the better

Welcome to the 2008 NAB AFL Under-18 Championships, the showcase of the NAB AFL Rising Stars Program.

This year has seen major changes to the carnival format and scheduling to provide greater opportunity for teams and players.

After a closely fought qualifying series in Melbourne in May, Tasmania and NSW/ACT won the right to join South Australia, Western Australia, Vic Country and Vic Metro in Division One. This expansion paved the way for a five-round Division One fixture, with matches in each participating state, some of them AFL curtain raisers at the MCG, AAMI Stadium and Subiaco Oval.

This change has allowed all teams to experience the nuances of interstate travel, different ground sizes and conditions as well as varying climates akin to the weekly challenges faced by AFL players.

As well as expanding the experience of the NAB AFL Under-18 Championships for the players, the format has enabled a greater number of spectators to appreciate the high standard of competition as it strives to unearth the next generation of AFL Rising Stars.

As the championships come to their conclusion in Melbourne with triple-headers

at Casey Fields and Telstra Dome, we look forward to a great climax. The AFL is delighted that Fox Sports will feature all three games at Telstra Dome live nationally on July 9, providing wonderful exposure for the event.

We wish all teams every success and congratulate the umpires on their performances to date, as they also endeavour to reach the AFL.

The AFL would like to acknowledge NAB as the sponsor of the championships, along with the entire NAB AFL Rising Stars Program, from the NAB AFL Under-16 Championships to the NAB AFL Rising Star Award.

Finally, thank-you to all state bodies and staff for hosting matches and embracing the change for the benefit of all aspiring AFL players.



David Matthews
General Manager
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Game Development



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COVER: (Left to right) Cyril Rioli (Hawthorn), Craig Bird (Sydney), Rhys Palmer (Fremantle) and Matthew Kreuzer (Carlton) all made the jump to AFL level after starring at last year's NAB AFL Under-18 Championships.

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Backing generation next



Ahmed Fahour
CEO, NAB Australia

As part of our commitment to supporting people with ideas and dreams, we're backing Australia's next generation of footballers to help them achieve their aspirations.

Beginning at the grassroots level with NAB AFL Auskick, continuing on to recognise the NAB AFL Rising Star, through to the elite level of the NAB Cup, NAB has been developing the stars of this great game since 2002.

A key stepping stone along the long football path is the NAB AFL Under-18 Championships – one that NAB is dedicated to support.

On behalf of NAB, I would like to wish everyone involved in this year's championships – players, coaches, administrators and umpires alike – the very best for the conclusion of this exciting competition.

Like many before you, may it be a step towards making your dreams a reality.



Matthew Kreuzer starred for Vic Metro at last year's carnival.

MESSAGE FROM JOEL SELWOOD

Throughout my career, there have been many stepping stones in helping me reach my goals. In particular, the NAB AFL Under-18 Championships were vital to my progression to becoming the 2007 NAB AFL Rising Star.

The carnival provides talented young football stars with the opportunity to achieve their dreams of progressing to NAB AFL Draft Camp and ultimately to the NAB AFL Draft.

The NAB AFL Rising Stars Program provides the link between grassroots footy and the elite level, and just 18 months ago I was in a similar situation to these young players today.

To all of you competing in the NAB AFL Under-18 Championships, keep at it, because dreams do come true.



Joel Selwood
NAB AFL Ambassador

Fair go for all

AFLPA puts player welfare first.



The AFL Players' Association (AFLPA) is responsible for ensuring fair workplace terms and conditions and personal development opportunities for past, current and future AFL players.

The AFLPA ensures that players have a strong role in the development of the game, player rules, safety and welfare issues, as well as receiving an equitable share of game revenue.

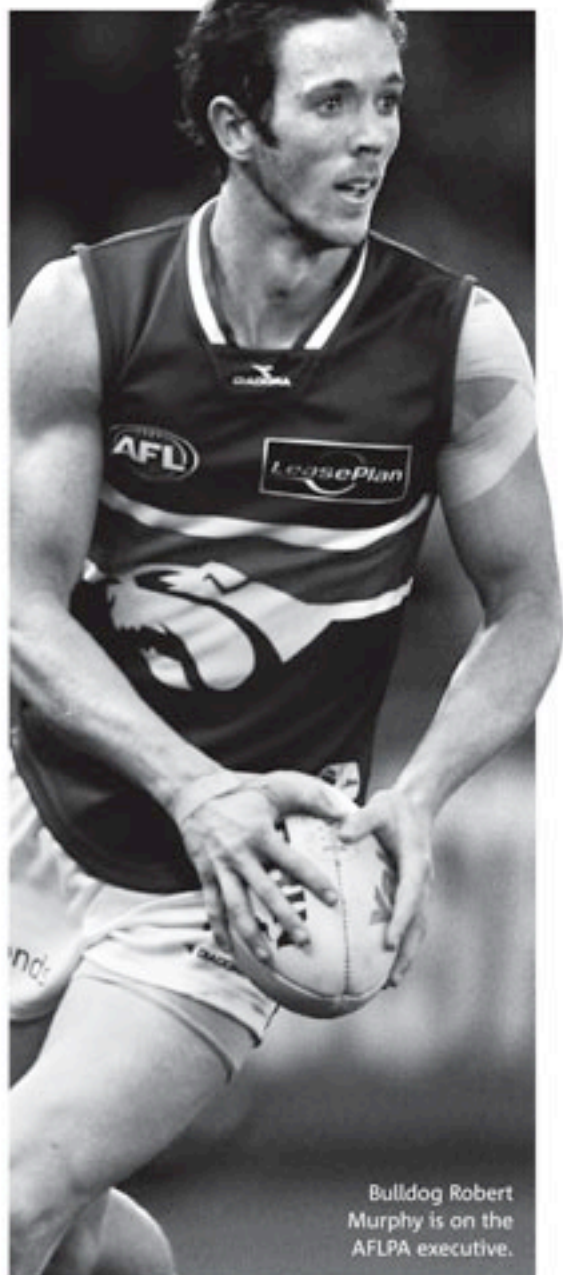
Some of the AFLPA's achievements include the introduction of mutually beneficial Collective Bargaining Agreements and minimum wages; creation of a player retirement fund; establishment of a number of life-after-football programs; the development of a player injury compensation regime, and programs to support the transition to AFL football.

Headed by CEO and former Richmond player Brendon Gale, the AFLPA executive features players from every AFL state, including president Joel Bowden, Brett Burton, Luke Power, Nick Maxwell, Tom Harley, Robert Murphy, Luke Ball, Adam Goodes, Ashley Hansen and past player representative Simon Madden.

The AFLPA annually invests more than \$1.8 million towards player education, training and welfare to strengthen players' opportunities outside football.

The organisation is also responsible for the accreditation of player agents and promotes a high level of ethical and professional conduct among those who manage the affairs of its members.

For more information about the AFLPA, log on to www.aflpa.com.au.



Bulldog Robert Murphy is on the AFLPA executive.

An information session for parents of prospective AFL draftees will be conducted at the Telstra Dome's Victory Room on Wednesday, July 9 from 8.30-10am. Parents of all players participating in the NAB AFL Under-18 Championships are invited to attend.

Best show in town

Championships a staple of the football calendar.

While it has undergone a nip here and a tuck there, the natural beauty of the revamped NAB AFL Under-18 Championships remains.

The expanded carnival offers the same dynamics, but is now more equitable and staged over a more suitable time frame. It is still a celebration of a truly unique national event, one that has enjoyed a long and successful journey.

For some, this is the best time on the football calendar, a sneak preview, if you like, of the talent about to burst onto the AFL scene for the 2009 season.

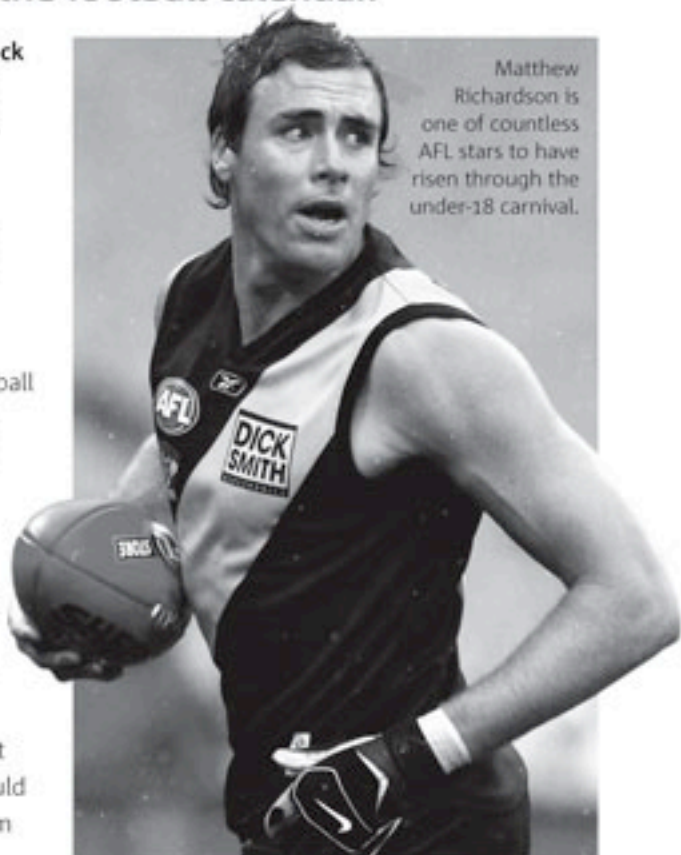
Under the new format, more players are afforded the opportunity to display their wares under the watchful eyes of AFL scouts and coaches. Such a daunting backdrop rarely influences these gifted young players, who all share several common goals.

All want to perform at their best, represent their state with unabashed pride and all would like nothing more than to pursue their dream at an AFL club.

Such is the storied past of the championships and the cavalcade of greats that have emerged from the many playing fields that its history is compelling. Champions like Tony Lockett, James Hird, Stephen Silvagni, Garry Lyon and Michael Voss all came through the carnival.

And, current day superstars Chris Judd (Vic Metro), Matthew Richardson (Tasmania), Buddy Franklin (Western Australia), Jonathan Brown (Vic Country), Matthew Pavlich (South Australia) and Lenny Hayes (NSW/ACT) are also products of this fabulous event.

Quite apart from this undeniable history, where else would you find such tradition, rivalry and pride all rolled into one? Ask any of the 150-odd players who will



Matthew Richardson is one of countless AFL stars to have risen through the under-18 carnival.

pull on the jumper during the next five days about the honour of representing their state. It's unmistakable.

So, too, is the bond between players. Friendships are forged forever.

Ultimately, the NAB AFL Under-18 Championships are the ultimate challenge – the best against the best. And as a player form guide, there is none better.

The matches are choc full of courage, character, commitment and camaraderie. Be dazzled by the exquisite skills, marvel at the athleticism, admire the bravery, and track the sizzling speed.

Above all, enjoy the excitement that the NAB AFL Under-18 Championships bring to town.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA

Winning national underage titles is great, but for South Australian coach Brenton Phillips the most important aspect of the carnival is player development.

Phillips highlighted that education would remain at the forefront during the final two matches of the championships.

"We're still all about trying to educate these young men as quickly as possible so they can adapt to AFL level," Phillips said.

After defeating Tasmania, South Australia has suffered defeats by Western Australia and Vic Metro. Phillips said his side had been competitive for periods in both losses, but had been punished heavily during lapses.

"We're trying to get a mixture of skill level and competitiveness at this high level for long enough to win games of football," Phillips said. "The nature of this event is that you are bringing together the best young lads in Australia, and that creates fierce competition.

"Sustaining that competitiveness for long periods of time is something we just haven't been able to grasp."

FINAL WORD: "The upcoming games are going to be a tight struggle. Vic Country defeated WA and I rate WA very highly, so obviously Vic Country has its act together. And NSW/ACT beat Vic Country, so it shows that unless you are switched on and prepared to work hard for four quarters, you will get exposed."



PLAYER TO WATCH

LEWIS JOHNSTON: "He is a very gifted footballer. His skill level and ability to play the game is unquestioned, but he does need some education in the smaller aspects of the game."

— BRENTON PHILLIPS

VIC COUNTRY

Stung by a goal on the siren against Vic Metro and wounded by a less than acceptable performance against NSW/ACT, Vic Country is aiming to finish off the NAB AFL Under-18 Championships in style.

After those heartbreaking losses by under a goal in its opening two matches, Vic Country launched its revival with an outstanding win against Western Australia. For coach Robert Hyde and his players, it was important to make a statement when they travelled to Subiaco.

"The players got together after the loss against NSW/ACT and wanted to overcome the hurt that each and every one of them felt," Hyde said. "The match against Western Australia has now given us some belief. We could have been 3-0, but were not, so it's important that we end the carnival on a high.

"Once they get to know each other and come together as a team, the country kids start to believe in each other, and the signs were very good in Western Australia."

Hyde said the theme over the final two championship matches would be consistency.

"We need to go about our business in the proven way and if we do that, people will see how good these boys are."

FINAL WORD: "We can't be lazy. We have to attack the next two games and finish the championships with a bit of style."



PLAYER TO WATCH

STEELE SIDEBOTTOM: "He's a very clever half-forward/midfielder who has been close to our leading possession gatherer. We're working with him to finish off his game better, but he's a smart player who sets up the play."

— ROBERT HYDE

VIC METRO

While prior to the final two games Vic Metro was the only team that could still go through the NAB AFL Under-18 Division One Championships undefeated, coach David Dickson didn't believe there was any associated pressure.

Acknowledging the "carrot was still dangling", Dickson said the players were mindful of not letting each other down in what had been a carnival to remember.

Dickson pointed out that it had been difficult to reduce the squad for the last two matches, given how the team continually improved.

"Those players selected know the responsibility they shoulder, because there were five or six guys unlucky to miss out," Dickson said. "This group has come together well as a team, and have done things they'll never forget."

With Vic Country playing before Vic Metro in the past two matches with varying results, Dickson has honed in on the importance of taking the field with the right attitude, reminding his players of the pitfalls of taking anything for granted.

"No one gives it to you, you've got to win it yourself," he said.

FINAL WORD: "The players understand that this championship is all about the now, not where they might be in a year's time. The focus has to be on the present, not the future."



PLAYER TO WATCH

JACK WATTS: "Jack just loves life, and he's got it all – left foot, right foot. He may have the best pair of hands I've seen since I've been coaching Vic Metro. Has great lateral movement and is just so cool in pressure situations."

– DAVID DICKSON

WESTERN AUSTRALIA

For coach Andrew Lockyer, Western Australia has everything to play for in the final two matches of the NAB AFL Under-18 Championships.

Lockyer believes his players are mindful of the responsibility that goes hand-in-hand with representing their state on the national stage. He noted the upcoming matches against Tasmania and Vic Metro will provide players who had endured an indifferent carnival the chance to step forward and produce their best.

Lockyer said a valuable lesson was imparted when Vic Country's intensity at the contest in round three caught some players unprepared.

"We understand what we have to do with our game plan when we come to Melbourne," Lockyer said. "We're looking to blood a few more players, and the format has been a great initiative by the AFL."

According to Lockyer, the players are aware of what is at stake and the importance of focusing on what they can control.

"It's a fantastic opportunity to play at Casey Fields and Telstra Dome. It's a great way to test themselves," he said.

FINAL WORD: "Metro is the favourite, they are the best team in the competition. It's going to be great chance for our kids to come up against them and try to match them as best they possibly can."



PLAYER TO WATCH

STEPHEN HILL: "Stephen has probably been our most consistent player. He's a tall running player who can play in the midfield or in a defensive role. He's very silky with his skills, is a superb kick and he has a great attitude."

– ANDREW LOCKYER

TASMANIA

Concentration is the overriding theme to Tasmania's final matches of the 2008 NAB AFL Under-18 Championships.

Coach Andrew Mellor said the most telling aspect for the Tasmanian players had been just how costly lapses, regardless of how small, had proved. Mellor noted that one quarter or certain parts of a quarter had conspired against the team in all of its matches.

"It has been tough, especially coming off winning the Division Two title, as they boys had a fair bit of confidence about them," Mellor said. "But we have learned that in Division One if you put your tools down at any stage, you get punished fairly heavily on the scoreboard.

"We have learned that you need to concentrate for four quarters to get the desired result."

Despite three straight losses to open the round robin, Mellor said plenty of upside had emerged from the carnival, most noticeably the ability of the players to be competitive at a level they had previously not experienced. The coach believes several players have taken their games to new heights and that the experience will prove invaluable in their football development.

FINAL WORD: "If NSW/ACT can beat Vic Country and Vic Country can beat Western Australia then there's no reason why we can't enter the last two games in a positive frame of mind."



PLAYER TO WATCH

MITCH ROBINSON: "Mitch is a midfielder and is a nice size (189 cm) for a running player. He's very, very good on his feet, has a penetrating kick, competes hard and has a bit of pace. He's pretty much the complete player."

— ANDREW MELLOR

NSW/ACT RAMS

About 10 weeks ago, NSW/ACT coaches and players set a series of goals centred on the revamped NAB AFL Under-18 Championships.

The first target, according to coach Danny Stevens, was to gain entry into the expanded Division One carnival via the challenge series among last year's four Division Two teams.

When that was achieved, the next step was to be competitive in the top flight, play a genuine, no-nonsense style, earn respect and see where that took the group.

After the first three rounds, NSW/ACT could again tick off all of its objectives, following wins against Vic Country and Tasmania, offsetting a loss to Western Australia in the carnival opener.

"It's given the kids a huge belief that they can play at the highest level," Stevens said.

Already, NSW/ACT has used 32 players, hailing from Newcastle to Adelaide to Canberra to Broken Hill to Pennant Hills.

Despite the wide-ranging recruitment zone, Stevens said the team had gelled remarkably well. "It's a huge ask on the kids, but so far they've responded well. They've played as a competitive unit."

FINAL WORD: "We're going to continue with the theme that we want to be competitive and earn respect. We just want to have a genuine intent and attack on the football."



PLAYER TO WATCH

RANGA EDRIWICKRAMA: "Ranga has a Sri Lankan background and has only been playing football for about five years. His carnival has been first-class with his clean, one-take skills below his knees and ball-winning ability."

— DANNY STEVENS

Whistling as they work

Budding umpires learn the ropes at championships.

While the 2008 NAB AFL Under-18 Championships are undoubtedly a huge stepping stone for young players, they are also an integral component of the AFL talented umpire pathway.

The pinnacle for the officials is the 'live-in' experience throughout rounds four and five of the Division One carnival, where field, boundary and goal umpires from each state are brought to Melbourne and given the opportunity to experience what is required to umpire at the highest level.

PARTICIPATING UMPIRES

NAME	DISCIPLINE	REGION/LEAGUE
Kane Vellar	Field	NT
Matthew Gestier	Field	NSW/ACT
Brent Cue	Field	Qld
James Ralston	Field	SA
Nick Foot	Field	Tas
Chris O'Connor	Field	WA
Mark Bowden	Field	WA
John Krull	Field	VFL
Tristain Burgess	Field	VFL
Wayne Hoskins	Field	VFL
Daniel Silfo	Field	VFL
Craig Blake	Boundary	NT
Chris Simms	Boundary	NSW/ACT
Luke O'Sullivan	Boundary	Qld
Dillon Tee	Boundary	SA
Joseph McCormack	Boundary	Tas
Jay Masterman-Smith	Boundary	VCFL
Ross Mariner	Boundary	VCFL
Degen Smith	Boundary	VCFL
James Quinn	Boundary	VCFL
Adam Holland	Boundary	VCFL
Adam Bell	Boundary	VCFL
Richard Hepptinstall	Boundary	WA
Darren Witham	Goal	NT
Dale Puren	Goal	NSW/ACT
Shaun Apted	Goal	Qld
Thomas Sharpe	Goal	SA
Aaron Jones	Goal	Tas
Matt Laycock	Goal	WA

The umpires are being coached by some of the game's best technical experts within each discipline, including current AFL umpire Matt Stevic and former AFL umpires Bryan Sheehan and Darren Goldspink. The budding umpires will also receive a coaching session from AFL umpire coaches Rowan Sawers and Peter Howe.

Additionally, umpires will be involved in personal development sessions aimed at improving their ability to deal with the pressures of being an elite umpire. The AFL Umpiring Department is a strong supporter of the NAB AFL Under-18 Championships as a development opportunity for young umpires aspiring to reach the AFL.

"Some of these umpires are the next generation of AFL umpires," explained AFL Umpiring Manager Jeff Gieschen. "The experiences they have at these championships will hold them in good stead to reach their future umpiring ambitions."



Umpires are using the national carnival as a learning tool.



2007 All-Australian U18 team

Back row (left to right): Cyril Rioli (NT), Ben McEvoy (Vic C), David Myers (WA), Brad Ebert (SA), Cale Morton (WA), Craig Bird (NSW/ACT), Patrick McGinnity (WA), Alex Rance (WA), Tom Collier (Tas), Matthew Kreuzer (Vic M), Addam Maric (Vic M)

Front row (left to right): Taylor Walker (NSW/ACT), Scott Selwood (Vic C), Daniel Rich (WA), Aaron Cornelius (Tas), Michael Hurley (Vic M), Rhys Palmer (WA), Aaron Joseph (Tas), Chris Masten (WA), Nicholas Naitanui (WA), Nick Suban (Vic C), Jack Grimes (Vic M)

2007 NAB AFL UNDER-18 CHAMPIONSHIPS PARTICIPANTS DRAFTED TO AFL CLUBS

Draft Pick	Player	AFL Club	From	Draft Pick	Player	AFL Club	From
1	Matthew KREUZER*	Carlton	Vic Metro	50	Dan McKENNA	Geelong	Vic Country
2	Trent COTCHIN*	Richmond	Vic Metro	51	Dean PUTT	Richmond	Vic Metro
3	Chris MASTEN*	West Coast	WA	56	Matt AUSTIN	Brisbane Lions	Vic Country
4	Cale MORTON*	Melbourne	WA	58	Tony ARMSTRONG	Adelaide	NSW/ACT
5	Jarrad GRANT	Western Bulldogs	Vic Metro	59	Craig BIRD*	Sydney	NSW/ACT
6	David MYERS*	Essendon	WA	63	Guy O'KEEFE	Western Bulldogs	Vic Country
7	Rhys PALMER*	Fremantle	WA	64	Tom McNAMARA	Melbourne	SA
8	Lachlan HENDERSON*	Brisbane Lions	Vic Country	69	Taylor WALKER	Adelaide	NSW/ACT
9	Ben McEVOY*	St Kilda	Vic Country	NAB AFL PRE-SEASON DRAFT 2007			
10	Patrick DANGERFIELD	Adelaide	Vic Country	1	David GOURDIS	Richmond	WA
11	Patrick VESZPREMI	Sydney	Vic Metro	7	Patrick MCGINNITY	West Coast	WA
12	Cyril RIOU*	Hawthorn	NT	8	Thomas BELLCHAMBERS*	Essendon	Tas
13	Bradley EBERT*	West Coast	SA	NAB AFL ROOKIE DRAFT SELECTIONS 2007			
14	Jack GRIMES	Melbourne	Vic Metro	2	Aaron JOSEPH	Carlton	Tas
15	Robbie TARRANT	Kangaroos	Vic Country	4	James MULLIGAN	Western Bulldogs	Qld
16	Matthew LOBBE	Port Adelaide	Vic Metro	5	Rhys MAGIN	Essendon	Qld
18	Alex RANCE	Richmond	WA	6	Brent CONNELLY	Fremantle	Vic Country
19	Callan WARD*	Western Bulldogs	Vic Metro	11	Hugh SANDLANDS	Hawthorn	Vic Metro
20	Tony NOTTE	West Coast	WA	18	Lachie HILL	Carlton	Vic Metro
21	Addam MARIC	Melbourne	Vic Metro	19	Austin WONAEAMIRRI*	Melbourne	NT
22	Scott SELWOOD*	West Coast	Vic Country	20	Henry WHITE	Western Bulldogs	SA
23	Tayte PEARS*	Essendon	WA	25	Jared PETRENKO	Adelaide	SA
24	Clayton HINKLEY*	Fremantle	Vic Country	28	Ashley ARROWSMITH	West Coast	Vic Metro
25	Tom COLLIER*	Brisbane Lions	Tas	30	Cruze GARLETT	Kangaroos	WA
26	Brett MEREDITH	Sydney	Vic Metro	32	Jeremy LAIDLER	Geelong	Vic Metro
27	Andy OTTEN*	Adelaide	Vic Metro	34	David ELLARD	Carlton	WA
28	Marlon MOTLOP	Port Adelaide	NT	35	Jake SPENCER	Melbourne	Qld
29	Brendan WHITECROSS	Hawthorn	Qld	40	Edward CURNOW	Adelaide	Vic Country
30	Jarrhan JACKY*	Adelaide	WA	42	Alex GRIMA	Hawthorn	Tas
32	Levi GREENWOOD	Kangaroos	SA	43	Will SULLIVAN	West Coast	Vic Metro
34	Dawson SIMPSON	Geelong	Vic Country	46	Chris KANGARS	Geelong	Vic Country
35	Sam REID	Western Bulldogs	Qld	51	Khan HARETUKI	St Kilda	NSW/ACT
36	Steven BROWNE*	Carlton	WA	54	Cameron STOKES*	Hawthorn	NT
38	Myke COOK	Adelaide	Vic Metro	58	Aaron BRUCE	Sydney	NSW/ACT
39	Darcy DANHER*	Essendon	Vic Metro	60	James WILSEN	Kangaroos	NSW/ACT
41	James POLKINGHORNE	Brisbane Lions	Vic Metro	61	Dean TERLICH	Sydney	NSW/ACT
42	Jack STEVEN	St Kilda	Vic Country	62	Ryan DAVIS*	West Coast	NSW/ACT
47	Tobias THOOLEN	Collingwood	Vic Country				
49	Mitchell FARMER	Port Adelaide	Vic Metro				

* Debuted by round 13

South Australia

Coach: **BRENTON PHILLIPS** Team Manager: **BRETT LOVELL**

No	NAME	DOB	HT	WT	CLUB
1	Zane KIRKWOOD	04 Feb 91	175	73	Port Magpies/Pooraka
2	Hamish HARTLETT	14 Aug 90	182	74	West Adelaide/Edwardstown
3	Ben SPEIGHT	02 May 90	177	71	Norwood/Hope Valley
4	Travis LANE	01 Jul 91	175	75	W'ville West Torr/Seaton Ramblers
5	Sam MARDLING	02 Dec 90	171	62	Port Magpies/Port Districts
6	Sam DAVOREN	01 Jan 90	177	75	W'ville West Torr/Henley
7	Christopher HALL	25 Jun 90	179	65	W'ville West Torr/Flinders Park
8	Charlie McADAM	05 Apr 90	178	66	North Adelaide/Darwin Buffaloes
9	Alex WILSON	04 Jan 91	178	70	Sturt/Mitcham Hawks
10	Jay SHANNON	02 Mar 90	180	82	Port Magpies/Tumby Bay
11	Curtis PERREY	18 Feb 90	176	69	South Adelaide/Langhorne Creek
12	Dale ARMSTRONG	20 Oct 91	178	76	North Adelaide/Pooraka
13	Tyson DAVIS-NEALE	20 Mar 91	185	75	South Adelaide/Encounter Bay
14	Glenn DAWSON	30 Sep 90	185	72	W'ville West Torr/Balaklava
15	Matthew BROADBENT	01 Aug 90	189	81	W'ville West Torr/Henley
16	Tyson SLATTERY	03 Dec 90	189	81	West Adelaide/Edwardstown
17	Scott BLESING	11 Feb 90	184	80	West Adelaide/Edwardstown
18	Matthew THOMPSON	02 May 91	184	83	Sturt/Murray Bridge Ramblers
19	Corey JONES	16 Feb 90	186	79	Sturt/Mypolonga
20	Paul CAHILL	19 Aug 90	192	80	Sturt/Mitcham Hawks
21	Ryan SCHOENMAKERS	08 Nov 90	189	85	Norwood/Tea Tree Gully
22	Alex STOPP	18 Mar 90	189	86	Norwood/Keith
23	Rhys O'KEEFFE	08 Aug 90	187	80	North Adelaide/Kilburn
24	Lewis JOHNSTON	03 Mar 91	192	87	North Adelaide/Port Bulldogs
25	Phil DAVIS	30 Aug 90	192	83	North Adelaide/St Peter's College
26	Johnny BORAS	29 Oct 90	187	97	North Adelaide/Fitzroy
27	Drew CLAYFIELD	31 Jul 90	189	86	Glenelg/Penola
28	Rhys CLINTON	24 Mar 90	202	79	Port Magpies/Salisbury North
29	Angus CLARKE	09 Feb 90	197	89	Sturt/Goodwood Saints
30	Rhys STANLEY	01 Dec 90	199	84	West Adelaide/Berri
31	Matthew MARTIN	23 Feb 90	196	100	West Adelaide/Flagstaff Hill
32	Jarrad REDDEN	27 Dec 90	202	88	W'ville West Torr/Southern Eagles
33	Damian HYNES	19 Mar 90	191	86	Central District/Smithfield
34	Adam ECKERMANN	31 Jul 90	183	74	Sturt/Mypolonga
35	Luke TAPSCOTT	28 Jun 91	178	82	North Adelaide/Orroroo
36	Jack REDDEN	09 Dec 90	185	74	Glenelg/Keith
37	Alex CAREY	27 Aug 91	180	73	Glenelg/Flagstaff Hill
38	Matthew SHARPE	07 May 90	178	75	Port Adelaide Magpies/Portland
39	Nathan DANIEL	06 Mar 90	185	83	W'ville West Torr/Paskerville
40	George LONG	24 Jan 91	173	75	Port Magpies/Pooraka

It's all academic

South Australian Academy provides launching pad.

The SANFL and its clubs are working together to allow elite footballers to progress as far along the talented player pathway as their desire and ability allows.

The Academy, which underpins the under-18 state team, is both comprehensive and demanding but allows players to understand what will be required of them if they wish to play their best football on the national stage.

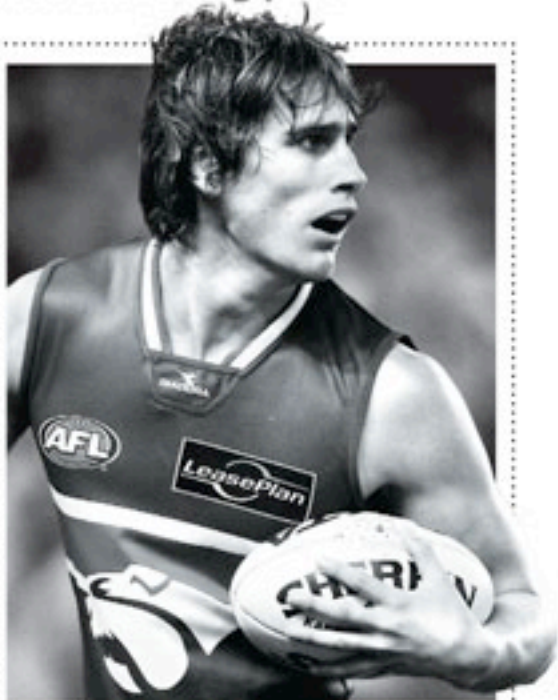
With the change in format of the under-18 championships, the preparation this year included practice matches against a mature Woodville West Torrens side and a highly competitive Sturt team.

The annual SANFL state youth match once again proved successful, with the best 19 and 20-year-olds in the SANFL playing against the under-18 state squad.

Brenton Phillips is into his second year as South Australia's under-18 coach, after five years as senior coach of Sturt, where he won the 2002 premiership. He is receiving assistance from Brad Ryan and Malcolm Ellis.

Phillips believes this squad provides plenty of flexibility with key position players. Eight youngsters – Sam Mardling and Zane Kirkwood (Port Adelaide Magpies), Matthew Martin and Hamish Hartlett (West Adelaide), Christopher Hall, Sam Davoren, Travis Lane, and Matthew Broadbent (Woodville West Torrens) – have played league football with their respective SANFL clubs.

Many Academy players have also spent a number of years involved in AFL and SANFL talent programs, with five selected in 2007 AIS-AFL Academy. Many graduates have made the transition to the AFL, including Ken McGregor (Adelaide), Matthew Pavlich, Byron Schammer



RYAN GRIFFEN

SOUTH AUSTRALIA TO WESTERN BULLDOGS

Ryan's class and leadership stood out. He made such good decisions and his ability to carry the ball and such precise kicking skills really excited us.

SCOTT CLAYTON

Western Bulldogs Recruiting Manager

(Fremantle), Warren Tredrea, Shaun Burgoyne, Kane and Chad Cornes (Port Adelaide), Alan Didak (Collingwood), Adam Cooney, Ryan Griffen (Western Bulldogs) and Bryce Gibbs (Carlton). Last year, three players from the state team were drafted to AFL clubs, with Brad Ebert (West Coast) having made his AFL debut.

The state under-18 team wishes to thank SANFL clubs, the Adelaide Crows and Port Power, and parents and officials of the state program.

Vic Country

Coach: **ROBERT HYDE** Team Manager: **TREVOR ROBERTSON**

No	NAME	DOB	HT	WT	CLUB
1	Allen CHRISTENSEN	19 May 91	175	69	Geelong/Lara
2	Ryan MCKENZIE	10 Feb 90	175	73	Nth Ballarat/Warrack Eagles
3	Jaryd BLAIR	14 Apr 90	172	70	Gippsland/Wonthaggi
4	Will MARTINIELLO	15 Jun 90	175	76	Murray/Benella
5	Sam HUGHES	24 Jun 90	177	66	Geelong/Leopold
6	Jamie SHEAHAN	11 Aug 90	178	73	Murray/Mansfield
7	Luke ROUNDS	10 Feb 91	181	70	Geelong/Terang-Mortlake
8	Campbell HEATH	01 Apr 91	187	75	Gippsland/Maffra
9	Jamason DANIELS	10 Aug 90	182	77	Murray/Shepparton United
10	Nick SUBAN	09 May 90	179	82	Nth Ballarat/Bacchus Marsh
11	Andrew HOOPER	18 Jan 91	172	78	Nth Ballarat/Golden Point
12	Shane PAGE	30 Apr 91	184	69	Bendigo/Kyneton
13	Jake HALL	11 May 90	186	76	Bendigo/Golden Square
14	Edward CARR	12 Apr 91	180	80	Gippsland/Maffra
15	Dash BAROLLI	16 Aug 90	181	78	Murray/Shepparton Swans
16	Steele SIDEBOTTOM	02 Jan 91	182	79	Murray/Congupna
17	Tom ROCKLIFF	22 Feb 90	183	83	Murray/Benalla
18	Josh GAYLOR	05 Feb 90	187	75	Bendigo/Swan Hill
19	Lucas BOYD	09 May 90	194	92	Geelong/Warrnambool
20	Nic HEYNE	22 Jul 90	187	79	Gippsland/Orbost Snowy Rovers
21	Jack ZIEBELL	28 Feb 91	188	84	Murray/Wodonga Bulldogs
22	Koby STEVENS	18 Jun 91	186	78	Gippsland/Lucknow
23	Tom SIMPKIN	07 Aug 90	190	81	Geelong/Colac
24	Caleb TILLER	06 Feb 91	187	77	Murray/Thornton
25	Jordan JONES	26 Jun 90	190	90	Geelong/Ocean Grove
26	Riley MILNE	20 Jul 90	192	78	Murray/Mooroopna
27	Ben CUNNINGTON	30 Jun 91	184	78	Geelong/Cobden
28	Will YOUNG	03 Aug 90	192	83	Nth Ballarat/Nth Ballarat Juniors
29	Luke THOMPSON	08 Feb 91	192	85	Geelong/Timboon
30	Ben BUCOVAZ	02 Nov 90	188	88	Geelong/Geelong Amateur
31	Julian LOCKWOOD	14 Sep 90	194	93	Bendigo/Castlemaine
32	John BUTCHER	03 Jul 91	197	83	Gippsland/Maffra
33	Jordan ROUGHHEAD	03 Nov 90	199	87	Nth Ballarat/Lake Wendouree
34	Andrew BROWNE	07 Jul 90	202	106	Murray/Mansfield
35	Dean WOODHEAD	25 May 90	192	84	Gippsland/Drouin
36	Sam WRIGHT	15 Jul 90	188	76	Murray/Katamatite
37	Ben PETERS	16 Apr 91	187	81	Nth Ballarat/Ballarat Swans
38	Jason LINKE	15 Apr 90	188	79	Nth Ballarat/Penshurst
39	Chris PROCKTER	15 Oct 90	191	87	Bendigo/Tyntynder
40	Nathan VARDY	25 Jun 91	196	83	Gippsland/Allies

Country football farm

Regional Victoria tending a well-trodden pathway.

Country Victoria is responsible for producing many of the AFL's top players, but the pathway from the state's regional areas to top-flight football is full of challenges.

The TAC Cup's five regional clubs do a fantastic job in dealing with geographical difficulties to ensure talented 15 to 18-year-olds are provided with quality programs to develop both their football and life skills.

The NAB AFL Under-18 Championships are the pinnacle that many TAC Cup players set themselves for at the start of the season, and promising youngsters from the Geelong Falcons, Gippsland Power, Murray Bushrangers, North Ballarat Rebels and Bendigo Pioneers have the opportunity to compete against Australia's best junior players with the Vic Country team.

Vic Country has a proud record at the Championships, taking out the Division One title in 2000 and 2003. Robert Hyde, the TAC Cup's longest serving coach – who won three flags in his reign at the Calder Cannons – has entered his second year as coach of the country boys.

"All players in the team recognise the great opportunity they have in representing their state, and that they'll have to be at their best if the team is to remain competitive," Hyde said.

Already this season, Vic Country players from 2007 in Ben McEvoy (St Kilda), Scott Selwood (West Coast), Clayton Hinkley (Fremantle) and Lachie Henderson (Brisbane Lions) have made their AFL debuts. These youngsters join recent Vic Country stars such as Nick Dal Santo, Gary Ablett, Dale Thomas, Scott Pendlebury, Brett Deledio, Adam Goodes, Jimmy Bartel and many others in making their mark in the top flight.



JOEL SELWOOD

VIC COUNTRY to GEELONG

Joel was outstanding in the under-18 championships after being a top performer with the AIS-AFL Academy. He was a great team player, super at winning the contests and a terrific decision maker. He always demonstrated maturity and leadership.

STEPHEN WELLS
Geelong Recruiting Manager

The Vic Country team acknowledges the Transport Accident Commission (TAC) for its wonderful support of the AFL Victoria youth talented player programs and the NAB AFL Under-18 Championships.

Vic Metro

Coach: **DAVID DICKSON** Team Manager: **KEITH BURNS**

No	NAME	DOB	HT	WT	CLUB
1	Mitchell BANNER	05 Jun 90	178	77	Western/Werribee Juniors
2	Matt KILPIN	24 Jan 90	186	84	Oakleigh/Old Trinity
3	Zachary CLARKE	28 Sep 90	203	77	Oakleigh/Surrey Park
4	Jack WATTS	26 Mar 91	194	85	Sandringham/Brighton Grammar
5	Luke STANTON	08 Jan 90	191	83	Northern/Marcellin College
6	Xavier GOTCH	22 May 90	175	71	Oakleigh/De La Salle
7	Jordan GYSBERTS	11 Jun 91	189	81	Eastern/Norwood
8	Tom LYNCH	15 Sep 90	191	84	Sandringham/Haileybury College
9	Shaun McKERNAN	01 Sep 90	196	95	Calder/Tullamarine
10	Liam SHIELS	29 Apr 91	183	78	Eastern/The Basin
11	Dylan JOYCE	21 Feb 90	174	70	Calder/Doutta Stars
12	Rory SLOANE	17 Mar 90	182	76	Eastern/Upwey-Tecoma
13	Matthew CUNNINGHAM	16 Jan 90	188	78	Eastern/Wantirna South
14	Andrew DUHAU	21 Dec 90	183	73	Calder/Doutta Stars
15	Dan HANNEBERY	24 Feb 91	182	75	Oakleigh/Xavier College
16	Aaron PURVES	08 May 90	187	82	Dandenong/Rowville
17	James STRAUSS	14 Jun 90	185	81	Oakleigh/Scotch College
18	Michael HURLEY	01 Jun 90	192	92	Northern/Macleod
19	Steven GAERTNER	02 Jan 90	198	88	Dandenong/Edithvale-Aspendale
20	Matthew CLARK	25 Sep 90	172	78	Dandenong/Edithvale-Aspendale
21	Jack FITZPATRICK	26 Jun 91	199	82	Western/Wyndhamvale
22	Samuel McGARRY	21 Apr 90	186	77	Sandringham/St Peter's
23	Luke SHUEY	02 Jun 90	185	84	Oakleigh/Marcellin College
24	David ZAHARAKIS	21 Feb 90	180	73	Northern/Marcellin College
25	Kyle MARTIN	17 Sep 90	179	74	Sandringham/Haileybury College
26	Jake MELKSHAM	29 Aug 91	182	69	Calder/Oak Park
27	Taylor HUNT	05 Nov 90	183	79	Sandringham/Beaumaris
28	Sam BLEASE	19 Feb 91	183	72	Eastern/Norwood
29	Dale WALKER	22 Feb 90	188	82	Eastern/Chirnside Park
30	Jackson TRENGOVE	02 Nov 90	196	77	Calder/PEGS
31	Jordan LISLE	12 Jul 90	196	87	Oakleigh/Carey Grammar
32	Tom SCULLY	15 May 91	182	74	Dandenong/Narre Warren
33	Tyrone VICKERY	31 May 90	200	86	Sandringham/Haileybury College
34	Ashley SMITH	20 Jul 90	185	84	Dandenong/Berwick
35	Taylor GILCHRIST	19 Oct 90	189	70	Sandringham/Caulfield Grammar
36	Ben POWER	23 Feb 90	199	84	Northern/Warrandyte
37	Josh SCIPIONE	06 Dec 90	180	76	Oakleigh/De La Salle
38	Chris TSARDAKIS Jnr	12 Mar 90	182	69	Calder/Keilor
39	Jake WALSH	30 Mar 91	196	96	Northern/Ivanhoe
40	Luke McDONALD	29 Apr 90	195	84	Eastern/Scoresby

Upholding a proud record

Vic Metro shooting for 12th title in 17 years.

Players honoured with a Vic Metro team jumper for this year's NAB AFL Under-18 Championships are carrying on a proud tradition.

Former Carlton premiership player David Dickson, who has coached the Metro team since 1997, reinforced that all the players and staff were working hard to enhance the team's excellent record, which includes winning 11 of the past 16 titles. Dickson said his team has savoured the new format and that he has been able to rotate more players to experience the national carnival.

"The players are keen to uphold the Metro standard of previous years," said Dickson. "They realise what a wonderful opportunity it is to play in the championships, so they are ready to make the most of it. Much of the Metro team's success over the years is due to the great work done by the metropolitan TAC Cup clubs."

AFL Victoria aims to ensure all junior footballers have the opportunity to maximise their potential via NAB AFL Auskick, junior clubs, local league and regional representative teams, through to the state's elite junior competition, the TAC Cup. For most TAC Cup players, the NAB AFL Under-18 Championships represent a major goal for the season, with approximately 30 players from the seven metropolitan clubs able to test themselves against the best under-18 players in Australia.

From last year's team Trent Cotchin (Richmond), Matthew Kreuzer (Carlton), Callan Ward (Western Bulldogs), Andy Otten (Adelaide), James Polkinghorne (Brisbane Lions) and Darcy Daniher (Essendon) have all made their AFL debuts. Vic Metro greatly appreciates the tremendous support of its sponsor, the



MARC MURPHY

VIC METRO to CARLTON

Having been super-impressive in the 2004 carnival, Marc backed it up with a standout 2005 series, winning All-Australian honours and the Larke Medal. Had quality AFL midfielder written all over him.

WAYNE HUGHES

Carlton Recruiting Manager

Transport Accident Commission (TAC). One of the TAC's major focuses in its partnership with AFL Victoria is the 'L120' campaign, which encourages learner drivers to complete 120 hours of practice before obtaining their probationary licence.

Players in the TAC Cup competition have thoroughly embraced this important concept.

Western Australia

Coach: **ANDREW LOCKYER** Team Manager: **BREARLEY HOLLINGSWORTH**

No	NAME	DOB	HT	WT	CLUB
1	Alistair SMITH	08 Aug 90	183	80	Perth/Northam JFC
4	Stephen HILL	01 May 90	182	72	West Perth/Quinns Districts JFC
5	Matthew DEBOER	10 Mar 90	187	85	Claremont/Swanbourne JFC
6	Nicholas OLDS	16 Mar 90	186	75	East Fremantle/Winnacot JFC
7	Neville JETTA	12 Feb 90	178	75	Swan Districts/Carey Park JFC
8	Thomas SWIFT	06 Jul 90	190	84	Claremont/Swanbourne JFC
9	Kane LUCAS	26 Jun 91	188	79	East Fremantle/Trinity College
10	Daniel RICH	07 Jun 90	183	83	Subiaco/Sorrento Duncraig JFC
11	Clinton GARLETT	16 Apr 91	175	72	Swan Districts/Carey Park JFC
12	Kane GOODWIN	26 Jun 90	180	75	Perth/South Perth JFC
13	Bradley SHEPPARD	23 May 91	187	78	East Fremantle/Wesley College
14	Joel FIEGERT	10 Oct 90	179	79	Perth/Belmont JFC
15	James KLAUSE	22 Aug 90	195	89	Claremont/Kununurra/Bibra Lake JFC
16	Dylan ROSS	26 Jun 90	192	87	Claremont/Marist JFC
17	Michael WALTERS	07 Jan 91	177	75	Swan Districts/Midvale JFC
18	Jesse LAURIE	21 Sep 90	184	86	Claremont/Denmark/Walpole JFC
19	Blake WARNER	19 Jun 90	187	80	Perth/Lynwood Ferndale JFC
21	Mitch MARSH	20 Oct 91	190	84	South Fremantle/Wesley College
22	Mitchell DUNCAN	10 Jun 91	187	81	East Perth/Trinity College
23	Clancee PEARCE	23 Oct 90	183	85	Swan Districts/Noranda JFC
24	Christopher LUFF	07 Jan 91	193	79	Peel Thunder/Halls Head JFC
26	Hamish SHEPHEARD	28 Oct 90	195	80	East Perth/Margaret River Hawks
27	John BENNELL	01 Feb 90	174	68	Peel Thunder/Pinjarra
28	Anthony MORABITO	29 Oct 91	192	93	Peel Thunder/Harvey Brunswick JFC
29	Michael MATHER	13 May 90	176	70	Perth/Gosnells JFC/Trinity College
30	Christopher YARRAN	19 Dec 90	180	84	Swan Districts/Midvale JFC
41	Lance DALY	26 Apr 91	191	78	Swan Districts/Midvale JFC
43	Daniel MURRAY	03 May 90	200	96	East Perth/Coolbinia JFC
44	Nicholas NAITANUI	04 May 90	197	95	Swan Districts/Midvale JFC

Ring in the changes

Reigning champ takes on a new look.

This has been a year of transition for the WA state under-18s, with a number of staff changes among the 2007 championship-winning group.

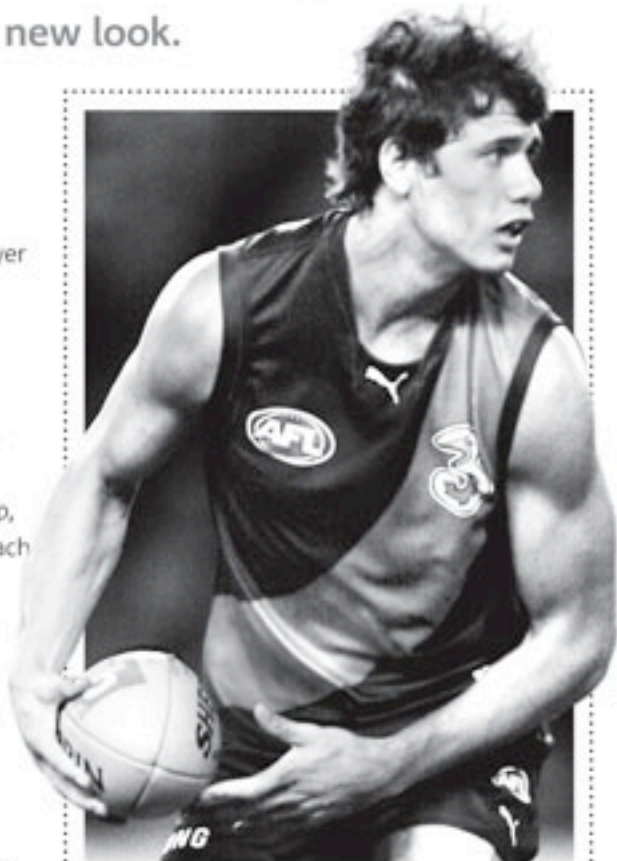
Former West Coast and East Fremantle player Andrew Lockyer has taken over the coaching reins following a successful four-year stint as coach of the East Fremantle colts.

Joining Andrew on the coaching panel are former Eagle Josh Wooden and ex-Fremantle and Western Bulldogs defender Brad Wira. Rounding out the coaching panel is Jon Sharp, who has been involved as a development coach with West Perth for the past five years. The coaching panel is a young and enthusiastic group that relishes the challenge of leading such a talented group of athletes.

Other new additions include conditioning coach Matt Inness, ruck coach Paul Harding and team runner Tony Godden. These new faces join experienced staff members such as physiotherapists Nick Caputi and Shae Seymour, Dr Lionel Lim, team managers Bob Dickerson and Brearley Hollingsworth and chairman of selectors Ken Ferguson. The sole aim of this quality group is to ensure players enjoy the experience and maximize their involvement in this elite program.

WA has been fortunate this year to also have Fremantle's Matthew Carr and Shaun McManus acting as player mentors. Both are keen to become involved in coaching in the future and this type of program provides an ideal opportunity to get a taste of what it is about.

The playing group is being led by captain Daniel Rich and vice-captains Nicholas Naitanui and Matt DeBoer. The trio was part of the successful team of 2007 and displays terrific leadership traits.



PADDY RYDER

WESTERN AUSTRALIA to ESSENDON

Class was the best way to describe Paddy; he was a graceful mover with great skills and speed for someone his size. He played mainly as a ruckmen, but we were more than confident he could hold down a key position.

ADRIAN DODORO
Essendon List Manager

The WA Football Commission would like to acknowledge the wonderful efforts of WAFL clubs in preparing the players for this important phase of their development. The manner in which the way the state conducts itself on the national stage is a credit to all of the clubs.

Tasmania

Coach: **ANDREW MELLOR** Team Manager: **WAYNE POVEY**

No	NAME	DOB	HT	WT	CLUB
1	Cameron MILNE	16 Oct 90	199	97	Lauderdale
2	Ryan HARWOOD	08 Jul 91	182	74	Glenorchy
3	Tom ALLWRIGHT	15 Jun 90	185	83	North Hobart
4	Tom SALTER	03 Mar 90	184	77	North Launceston
5	Adrian WILLIAMS	14 Feb 90	192	83	North Hobart
6	Brad SYMMONS	16 Apr 91	176	76	Latrobe
7	Bart McCULLOCH	23 Sep 90	198	83	South Launceston
8	Brentyn MILVERTON	24 Jun 90	180	77	Latrobe
9	Marcus DAVIES	04 Jun 91	187	76	North Hobart
10	Braden WEBB	18 Feb 91	180	74	New Norfolk
11	Mitch ROBINSON	07 Jun 89	188	77	Lauderdale
12	Jamie CLIPPINGDALE	28 May 91	189	76	North Launceston
13	Jacob GRUBB	09 Nov 91	175	78	Burnie
14	Jesse CRICHTON	18 Jun 91	183	66	North Launceston
15	Jackson O'BRIEN	09 Jun 90	174	70	Clarence
16	Jake COX	28 Sep 89	184	71	Glenorchy
17	Brodie SHADE	05 Mar 90	186	79	Glenorchy
18	Daniel TREVENA	03 Nov 89	172	69	South Adelaide
19	Aaron CORNELIUS	29 May 90	192	84	Glenorchy
20	Joseph GROENEWEGEN	25 Oct 91	196	77	Launceston
21	Maverick WELLER	13 Feb 92	179	75	Burnie
22	Nick JOHNSTON	10 Feb 90	191	77	North Launceston
23	Jacob HISLOP	23 Jun 90	183	70	Burnie
24	Chris TAYLOR	27 Feb 91	185	70	South Launceston
25	Jayden CHARLTON	22 Jan 91	176	68	North Hobart
26	Kade BRAKEY	02 Jul 90	177	73	Burnie
27	Zeke GARDAM	15 Oct 90	187	82	Burnie
28	Daniel ARCHER	26 Oct 91	192	92	Kingborough
29	Beau THORP	21 Mar 91	184	78	Northern Bombers
30	Harry RIEWOLDT	13 Oct 90	193	86	Clarence
31	Shaun COLLIS	11 Mar 90	179	81	Northern Bombers
32	Richie HEAZLEWOOD	30 Jan 90	185	73	South Launceston
33	Tyson MIHOCEK	16 May 90	185	88	Burnie
34	Jesse HIGGS	23 Feb 90	176	70	Northern Bombers
35	Ben WEBB	09 Jul 90	183	77	Northern Bombers
39	Tom CLARIDGE	24 Feb 91	188	77	Launceston
40	Lyndon CARLTON	02 Mar 91	193	79	Glenorchy

Healthy state of affairs

Football thrives in a changing environment.

In 2008, there have been several significant changes to Tasmania's Talent Program.

A staffing restructure has resulted in the appointment of Michael Dobbin as the State Strength and Conditioning and Rehabilitation Manager, Mariners training has been centralised to Aurora Stadium in Launceston, and to assist the most talented top-age players, 12 youngsters were included in Tasmania's VFL squad.

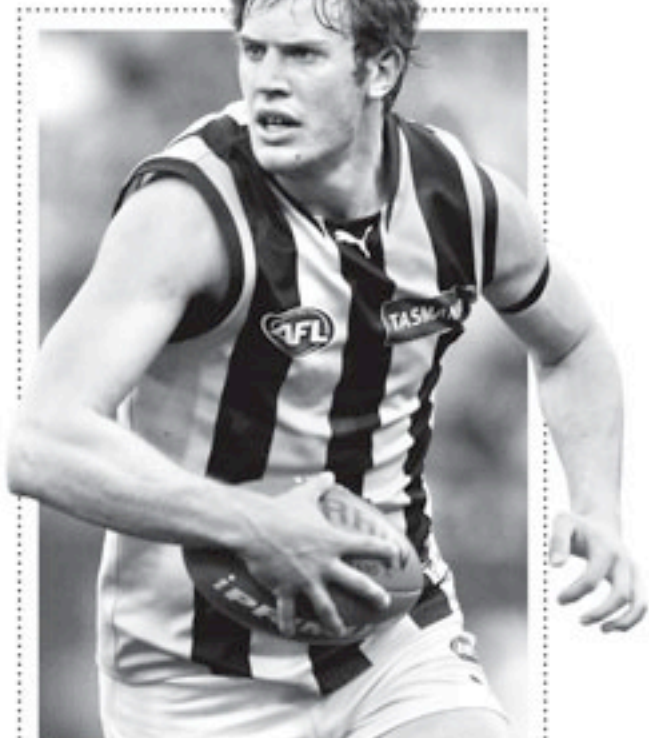
These alterations have been successful to date, enabling players to become better conditioned, and under the guidance of coach Andrew Mellor, more effective as a team.

The incentive to compete in Division One of the carnival has also resulted in an increased commitment to the program from all players and staff involved, with Tasmania going through the Division Two qualifying series undefeated.

Those players representing Tasmania this year are aspiring to follow in the footsteps of players such as Matthew Richardson, Grant Birchall, Jack Riewoldt, and Russell Robertson, who all started exactly where these young men are now.

Australian Football has continued its popularity this year, with Hawthorn playing home and away games at Aurora Stadium and the Tasmania Devils playing home games at grounds in the north and south of the state. These high quality football events have created an increased amount of public and corporate support for the game in Tasmania, and not surprisingly, this year the Apple Isle had the highest per-capita participation rate in Australia.

AFL Tasmania is grateful for the support of the AFL, which continues to provide funds and



GRANT BIRCHALL

TASMANIA TO HAWTHORN

Grant impressed us with his maturity, clean ball handling, good decision making and sound skills by hand and foot. His kicking on his left side was long, accurate and penetrating.

GARY BUCKENARA

Hawthorn Recruiting Manager

resources to allow Tasmania to keep footy as the most popular sport in the state.

Coca-Cola is again the major sponsor of AFL Tasmania's talent pathway, ensuring the delivery of these football programs is able to continue. AFL Tasmania is extremely grateful for their support.

NSW/ACT RAMS

Coach: **DANNY STEVENS** Team Manager: **STEVE WIGHTMAN**

No	NAME	DOB	HT	WT	CLUB
1	Taylor DURYEY	24 Apr 91	179	80	Murray Bushrangers
2	Jordan WILLIAMS	06 May 91	184	77	Bendigo Pioneers
3	Daniel SPITERI	12 Dec 91	173	71	East Coast
4	Josh DUNCAN	21 Jun 91	183	76	Pennant Hills
5	Ranga EDIRIWICKRAMA	10 Aug 90	178	79	Pennant Hills
6	Josh FENAROLI	09 Mar 90	180	76	Pennant Hills
7	Dylan McNEIL	20 Mar 91	178	77	Murray Bushrangers
8	Tim RUFFLES	05 Oct 90	178	68	Nth Ballarat Rebels
9	Mitch CLISBY	05 Jan 90	180	70	North Adelaide
10	Kade KLEMKE	15 Jul 90	180	78	Murray Bushrangers
11	Sam GUMLEY	16 Aug 90	185	86	EastLake
12	Jordan JOHNS	10 Jun 91	186	74	South Broken Hill
13	Nathan GORDON	12 Feb 90	184	78	East Coast
14	Xavier McMAHON	11 Apr 90	188	85	Marist/Eastlake
15	Jeremy KIRKWOOD	07 May 91	184	75	Queanbeyan
16	Josh BRYCE	12 Nov 90	186	82	Murray Bushrangers
17	Bart MILL	19 Jun 90	185	77	Pennant Hills
18	Anthony STUBBS	04 Feb 90	192	82	East Coast
19	Jordan FOSTER	05 Apr 90	190	85	Mangoplah-Cue
20	Scott REED	03 Oct 90	193	80	Pennant Hills
21	Michael FOSTER	26 Feb 90	188	77	Belconnen Magpies
22	Mitchell FRAIL	19 Aug 89	198	74	Western Suburbs
23	Fred SLEETH	28 Mar 90	192	85	SouthPort
24	Anthony HENDERSON	09 Jun 90	174	65	North Broken Hill
25	Max WILSON	07 Mar 90	197	105	North Shore
26	Luke BREUST	11 Nov 90	184	74	Temora
27	Brodie A'VARD	26 Apr 90	197	90	Murray Bushrangers
28	Will SIERAKOWSKI	26 Jul 90	187	80	Riverview
29	Mitch RAWSON	12 Sep 91	180	69	Newcastle City
30	Kris HOLMAN	11 Jul 90	180	67	Murray Bushrangers
31	John VAN MUERS	09 Jan 90	188	83	Eastlake
32	Lachlan PRYOR	10 Nov 90	183	87	North Shore
33	Josh NESBITT	29 May 91	173	65	Newcastle City
34	Stewart GILCHRIST	25 Jan 90	194	83	Belconnen Magpies
35	Michael JOHNSTON	09 Mar 91	181	74	East Coast
36	Ryan BOTTIN-NOONAN	26 Dec 91	193	81	Campbelltown
37	Benjamin JONES	07 Aug 91	183	75	Pennant Hills
38	Ted STRUDWICK	06 Jan 91	182	73	North Shore
39	Chris OGLE	01 Oct 90	186	78	UNSW/ES
40	Kale TEMPLE	07 Sep 91	196	87	Wollongong

Ramming home advantage

NSW/ACT makes the giant leap to Division One.

The NSW/ACT RAMS have been thrilled to undertake the exciting challenge of playing in the Division One round of the 2008 NAB AFL Under-18 Championships, an opportunity earned after some great performances during the Division Two qualifying series in Melbourne earlier in the year.

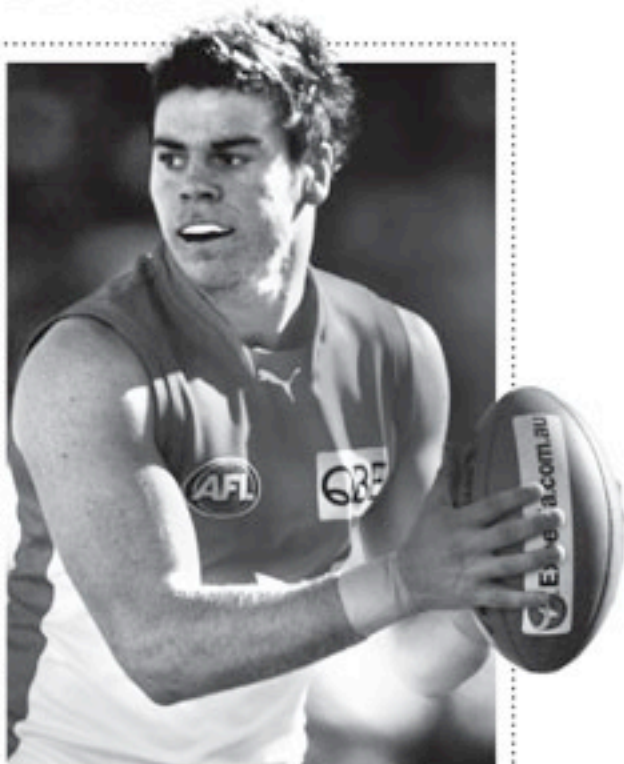
The new carnival format created an excellent incentive for the NSW/ACT players to compete against the best of the best, and the side certainly did not disappoint when it defeated the strong Vic Country lineup by five points at Sydney's Henson Park early in June.

As the national under-18 competition draws to a close, the side looks forward to finishing on a high and further underlining the region's enormous progression in the development of Australian Football.

After a successful 2007 carnival, where the side went through its three Division Two games undefeated, the impressive Craig Bird (Sydney) Taylor Walker and Tony Armstrong (Adelaide) were drafted, with James Wilsen (North Melbourne) Khan Haretuku (St Kilda) Ryan Davis (West Coast), and Aaron Bruce, Dean Terlich and Matthew Beckmans (Sydney) all subsequently being rookie-listed.

The side is once again being expertly overseen by head coach Danny Stevens, a former AFL player with the Kangaroos. Stevens has been ably assisted by former 300-game Western Bulldogs star Rohan Smith, ex-Collingwood/Sydney/Brisbane player Matthew Ryan, as well as Garry Parsons, a four-time premiership coach from Deniliquin.

Thus far, one of the standouts of the 2008 playing group has been Sri Lankan football convert Ranga Ediriwickrama, an AFL



CRAIG BIRD

NSW/ACT RAMS to SYDNEY

As a midfielder, his ability to evade opponents, make good decisions and execute skills under pressure was evident during the championships, as it is now at AFL level.

STUART MAXFIELD

Sydney Swans Recruiting Manager

scholarship holder with Geelong, who has shown he may well have the attributes needed to make it in top-flight football.

AFL NSW/ACT is indebted to the many who support its extensive football program, including sponsors, staff, family and friends. It is their invaluable contribution that allows players to advance both on and off the field.

Northern Territory

Coach: **JASON MIFSUD** Team Manager: **LIAM BRADY**

No	NAME	DOB	HT	WT	CLUB
1	Patrick HEENAN	25 Aug 90	168	63	Palmerston
2	Charlie SHARPLES	16 Feb 89	180	74	Darwin
3	Scott TAYLOR	11 Feb 91	184	74	Wests
4	Peter ROLFE	05 Oct 89	182	82	Federals
5	Paul CAMPBELL	02 Aug 89	169	66	Pioneers
6	Ross TUNGATALUM	24 Aug 90	178	68	St Mary's
7	Pierce LIDDLE	01 Oct 90	175	72	Palmerston
8	Tom FRAWLEY	07 Apr 90	187	76	St Mary's
9	Roy FARMER	19 Apr 90	178	76	Tiwi Bombers
10	Shannon RIOLI	25 May 91	168	65	St Mary's
11	Roland AH CHEE	21 Nov 90	185	77	Pioneers
12	Justin BEUGELAAR	17 Feb 90	188	93	Waratahs
13	Bradley CAMPBELL	04 May 89	184	83	Pioneers
14	Michael GUGLIOTTA	26-Jun-90	194	82	Nightcliff
15	Curtly HAMPTON	03 Oct 93	187	76	Pioneers
16	Mitchell WOODING	22 Jan 90	180	80	Rovers
17	Robert HALE	06 Jul 90	188	83	St Mary's
18	Steven MAY	10 Jan 92	190	84	Southern Districts
19	Deon GORDON	02 Apr 91	181	86	St Mary's
20	Reece PHOENIX	10 Nov 89	197	92	Palmerston
21	Joshua CHAPLIN	31 Mar 91	192	83	Waratahs
22	Heath MOLONEY	06 Jan 89	190	84	St Mary's
23	Casey SIBOSADO	13 Oct 90	191	85	Xavier College
24	Levi ROOS	07-Jun-90	185	83	St Mary's
25	Matthew ROSIER	14 Apr 90	174	74	Wests
26	Mitch MURRAY	20 Feb 91	185	77	Wests
27	Bradley CUNNINGHAM	01 May 90	170	73	Wanderers
28	Jacob SCHAPER	19 Mar 91	174	67	Waratahs
29	Keiren SMITH	08 Feb 91	181	74	Pioneers
30	Anthony LONG	06 Jan 91	186	69	St Mary's
31	James PAUTJIMI	15 Apr 89	173	69	St Mary's
32	Marius CLARKE	02 Apr 90	181	71	St Mary's
33	Charlie McADAM	05 Apr 90	174	62	Darwin
34	Joshua JOHNNY	16 Aug 90	187	82	Wests
35	Benjamin BORCHERS	05 Nov 90	183	71	Wests
36	Daniel JOHNS	28 Nov 90	173	69	Nightcliff
37	Thomas SNOWDON	09 Jul 89	193	87	Wests
38	Steven MOTLOP	12 Mar 91	181	68	Wanderers
39	James WRAY	19 Jun 91	176	73	Waratah
40	Curtley REID	15 Dec 91	164	64	Southern Districts

Thunder in the distance

Plenty of positives despite NT's early exit.

The combination of players being domiciled in different states and a lack of lead-up games played their part in the Tattersalls Territory Thunder's lack of on-field success during the NAB AFL Under-18 Division Two Championships earlier this year.

However, despite this, the team started to show glimpses of its ability in the final game against Queensland.

Head coach and AFL Indigenous Programs Manager Jason Mifsud bought an exciting and refreshing game plan to the program, and although the players struggled with execution for most of the carnival, when they got it together they were able to worry all teams, including Division Two champions Tasmania. NT went down by just 13 points to the Tassie boys in a hard-fought game at the MCG.

The program introduced a number of new players into the talent pathway this year, with several already being spoken of as potential draftees. Several younger players will also have the opportunity to represent the Thunder in the NAB AFL Under-16 Championships, and the experience gained at under-18 level should hold them in good stead.

The players eligible for this year's NAB AFL Draft were given further opportunities to impress AFL club recruiting staff with matches against TAC Cup opposition this year. These players are hoping to emulate the feats of former Tattersalls Territory Thunder players Cyril Rioli, Cameron Stokes, Austin Wonaeamirri and Marlon Motlop in gaining a spot on an AFL list.

AFL Northern Territory gratefully acknowledges the support of Tattersalls, Coca-Cola Amatil, The Cricket and Football



MATHEW STOKES

NORTHERN TERRITORY to GEELONG

Mathew played some brilliant games for NT in his junior years. He was exciting as a forward and in the midfield, very creative in his play and could do some special things.

STEPHEN WELLS

Geelong Recruiting Manager

Shop, Darwin and Hotel Barkly as well as the Northern Territory Institute of Sport and AFL Game Development for their ongoing assistance. The continued support of numerous small businesses through player sponsorship packages is also much appreciated.

Queensland

Coach: **NEVILLE MILLER** Team Manager: **ROBBIE HULL**

No	NAME	DOB	HT	WT	CLUB
1	Nathan LAVIS	29 Jun 90	177	76	Noosa/Zillmere
2	Josh THOMAS	01 Oct 91	175	68	Redlands
3	Matt THOMSON	25 Sep 90	175	65	Redlands
4	Mitch HARLEY	27 May 91	178	74	Mt Gravatt
5	Jessie HABERFIELD	17 Jan 91	182	73	Southport
6	John JAMES	06 Jun 89	178	74	PNG/Zillmere
7	Justin MYERS	16 Apr 90	179	83	Wide Bay/Redlands
8	Todd PANOHO	17 Apr 91	183	85	Caloundra
9	Adam BOON	16 Apr 90	179	76	Redlands
10	Ben WEIGHTMAN	18 Oct 90	177	65	Caloundra/Zillmere
11	Dayne BEAMS	12 Feb 90	184	81	Southport
12	Hamish WATTS	20 Aug 91	188	78	Southport
13	Ryan DIENJES	02 Dec 90	184	82	Broadbeach
14	Daniel SAVAGE	02 Feb 90	179	75	Mt Gravatt
15	Kane TYSON	25 Dec 90	190	79	Maroochydore
16	Marc LOCK	21 Jun 91	189	80	Southport
17	Joseph DAYE	02 Feb 90	194	82	Zillmere
18	Rory THOMPSON	12 Mar 91	199	84	Southport
19	Dylan REID	18 Jan 89	196	85	Sandgate
20	Declan BEVAN	30 Nov 91	196	90	Sandgate
21	Joel SMOUHA	05 Feb 90	197	88	Mt Gravatt
22	David HILL	06 Feb 90	201	92	Zillmere
23	Charlie DIXON	23 Sep 90	199	86	Cairns/Redlands
24	Zac SMITH	22 Feb 90	203	92	Capricornia/Zillmere
25	Lachlan KEEFE	14 Apr 90	204	83	Rookie Search
26	Matt FOWLER	11 Oct 91	185	83	Western Magpies
27	Alastair NASH	04 Mar 90	183	75	Morningside
28	Jack STANLAKE	28 Feb 91	189	72	Surfers Paradise
29	Tyler GREEN	23 Jan 91	188	80	Broadbeach
30	Elliot DUKE	11 May 90	183	90	Morningside
31	Jack STANLEY	03 Jan 90	192	85	Zillmere
32	Patrick ALLAN	21 Jun 90	185	73	Morningside
33	Aaron EVANS	27 Oct 90	186	76	Zillmere
34	Ryan HOLMAN	11 May 89	178	74	Morningside
35	Taylor ROLFE	03 Jul 91	177	74	Broadbeach
36	Elliott BATH	27 Feb 90	172	74	Southport
37	Damian STEVEN	16 Feb 91	181	68	Mt Gravatt
38	Alik MAGIN	13 Apr 91	180	64	Caloundra
39	Aaron FABIAN	16 Feb 91	188	79	Sandgate
40	Ryan THOMPSON	07 Feb 91	181	83	Sandgate

Queensland on track

State continues to produce at AFL level.

Statistics don't lie; for the second year in a row there are no less than 51 Queenslanders in the AFL system.

Impressively, in the last five years 30 Queenslanders have made their AFL debuts, and of those, 25 are still on AFL lists.

The 2008 Australia Post Queensland Under-18 Scorpions are on a mission to continue this record level of player development.

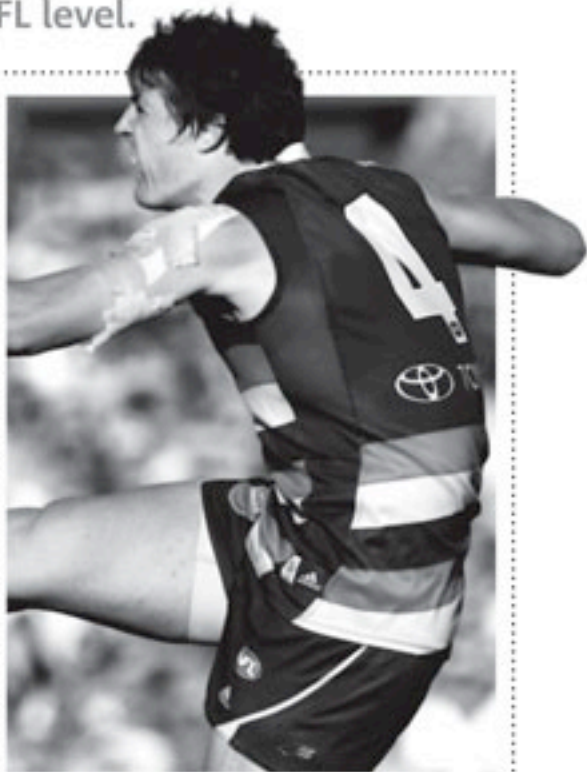
No less than 41 players have been rotated through the side under new coach Neville Mille, and while results at the Division Two carnival might appear slightly disappointing, AFL Queensland Talent Manager Mark Browning insists the talent development process has been first class.

"With a strong under-16 group coming through from last year the intention was always to expose as many players as possible to the next level of footy," Browning said.

The spotlight on the Scorpions has been stronger than ever this year amid the push to establish a 17th AFL license on the Gold Coast from 2011, and the state was delighted to see 2006 Queensland under-18 players Kurt Tippett (Adelaide), Jesse White (Sydney), Gavin Urquhart (North Melbourne) and Brent Renouf (Hawthorn) make their AFL debuts this year.

The 2008 team has been captained at various times by Jesse Haberfield, Justin Myers, Charlie Dixon and Dayne Beams, as well as including players from throughout regional Queensland, and, for the first time, a product of Papua New Guinea, John James.

AFL Queensland wishes to acknowledge the ongoing support of Australia Post and recognise the key role it has played in the emergence of Queensland as a nursery for AFL players.



KURT TIPPETT

QUEENSLAND to BRISBANE LIONS

Queensland coach Craig McRae had a similar game plan to that of the Brisbane Lions; kicking long to a tall marking forward. Kurt's marking, athleticism and agility ideally suited this style of play.

MARK BROWNING

AFL Queensland Talent Manager

AFLQ would also like to thank the Queensland Government and the AFL for their continued assistance, and recognise senior AFLQ clubs for their cooperative approach to the Scorpions' preparation.

Likewise, thank-you to all junior clubs and regional squads, and to the parents and families of the players for their loyal support.

Spreading the word

AIS-AFL Academy takes footy across the sea.

The 2008 AIS-AFL Academy tour of South Africa was further proof that Australian Football is being accepted far beyond these shores.

AFL legend Kevin Sheedy travelled with the families the AIS-AFL Academy squad and was delighted with what he saw.

"The more I see other codes such as soccer, rugby and American Football, the more I am convinced we have the greatest game on the planet," Sheedy said. "We should be sharing it with the rest of the world, and South Africa is well and truly part of that vision."

In less than two years, some 8000 registered participants – and a further 2000 in school competitions – are involved in what AFL South Africa promotes as the new game for the new South Africa.

The NAB AFL Auskick program has been adapted by AFL South Africa as "FootyWILD – the new game that roars", and last year secured sponsorship from Costa Logistics.

The 2008 AIS-AFL Academy tour included three days in Johannesburg and Pretoria, with training sessions at the high-performance centre in Pretoria, a visit to the AFL South Africa-supported Sparrow HIV Village – a hospice providing palliative care for HIV positive children and adults – as well as a trip to the Johannesburg township of Thembisa, where the squad took part in the first FootyWILD clinic for that region.

The trip finished in Potchefstroom in the North West Province, with the Australians playing a South African team consisting of players chosen from the four provinces now playing the game.

Michael Voss and Jason McCartney, who both toured South Africa 12 months ago with the previous Academy group, commented on the significant improvement in the level of competitiveness displayed by the South Africans.



AIS-AFL Academy squad members pictured in Perth before departing for their South African adventure. Standing (left to right): James Veale (Conditioning Coach), Hamish Osborne (Doctor), John Wassell (Head Trainer), Nathan Buckley (Assistant Coach), Michael Hurley, Liam Jones, Declan Bevan, Jackson Trengove, John Butcher, Ayce Cordy, Tom Hill, Jack Fitzpatrick, Ben Griffiths, Jack Watts, Tom Lynch, Nick Ames (Physiotherapist), Corey Bowen (Umpire), Jason McCartney (Assistant Coach), Michael Voss (Assistant Coach), Craig Notman (AFL Talent Coordinator). Seated: Matthew Broadbent, Tyson Davis-Neale, Jake Melksham, Tom Scully, Jack Ziebell, Alan McConnell (AIS-AFL Academy High Performance Coach), Matthew Thompson, Kane Lucas, Steele Sidebottom, Clinton Garlett, Lewis Johnston. Front: Anthony Morabito, Liam Shiels, Alex Carey, Michael Walters, Jesse Haberfield, Nick Suban, Kieran King, Sam Blease, Nick Heyne.

Winners and medallists

Division One – 2007

SATURDAY, JUNE 30

Western Australia 15.16 (106) def Vic Metro 8.10 (58)

SUNDAY, JULY 1

South Australia 17.10 (112) def Vic Country 9.8 (62)

FRIDAY, JULY 6

Western Australia 9.14 (68) def Vic Country 3.7 (25)

Vic Metro 7.7 (49) def South Australia 3.5 (23)

WEDNESDAY, JULY 11

Vic Metro 17.8 (110) def Vic Country 9.8 (62)

Western Australia 20.11 (131) def South Australia 8.6 (54)

LADDER	P	W	L	D	F	A	P	%
WA	3	3	0	0	305	137	12	223
Vic Metro	3	2	1	0	217	191	8	114
SA	3	1	2	0	189	242	4	78
Vic Country	3	0	3	0	149	290	0	51



With David Myers is now starring for the Bombers.

Division Two – 2007

SATURDAY, JUNE 23

Tasmania 17.14 (116) def Queensland 13.13 (91)

NSW/ACT 20.11 (131) def Northern Territory 12.11 (83)

THURSDAY, JULY 5

Northern Territory 13.12 (90) def Tasmania 5.15 (45)

NSW/ACT 15.19 (109) def Queensland 7.5 (47)

TUESDAY, JULY 10

Northern Territory 17.9 (111) def Queensland 12.13 (85)

NSW/ACT 20.13 (133) def Tasmania 13.14 (92)

LADDER	P	W	L	D	F	A	P	%
NSW/ACT	3	3	0	0	373	222	12	168
NT	3	2	1	0	284	261	8	109
Tas	3	1	2	0	253	314	4	81
Qld	3	0	3	0	223	336	0	66

Larke Medal (Best player Div 1)

1976	Mick Woods (Vic)	1993	Shaun McManus (WA)
1977	Rodney Watts (Vic)	1994	Daniel Harford (Vic)
1978	Mark Weidemann (SA)	1995	Luke Godden (Vic M)
1979	Grant Campbell (WA)		Ben Setchell (Vic C)
1980	Darryl Murphy (ACT)	1996	Pat Steinfort (Vic M)
1981	Paul Salmon (Vic)	1997	Tim Finocchiaro (Vic M)
1982	Michael Phyland (NSW)	1998	Garth Taylor (WA)
1983	Greg Anderson (SA)	1999	Paul Hasleby (WA)
1984	David Condon (NSW)	2000	Kayne Pettifer (Vic C)
1985	Jason Kerr (NSW)	2001	Sam Power (Vic M)
1986	Stephen Lawrence (Qld)		Steven Armstrong (WA)
1987	Steve Kolyniuk (Vic)	2002	Byron Schammer (SA)
1988	Robbie Wright (NSW)	2003	Kepler Bradley (WA)
1989	Ray Windsor (Qld)	2004	Jesse W Smith (Vic M)
1990	Paul Williams (Tas)	2005	Marc Murphy (Vic M)
1991	Robert Neill (ACT)	2006	Tom Hawkins (Vic M)
1992	Daniel Southern (WA)	2007	Cale Morton (WA)

H C Harrison Medal (Best player Div 2)

1992	Michael Voss (Qld)	2000	Ian Callinan (Tas)
1993	Mark Ryan (NT)	2001	Tom Davidson (Tas)
1994	Michael Martin (Tas)	2002	Anthony Corrie (NT)
1995	Steven Koops (NT)	2003	Jake Furfaro (Qld)
1996	Matthew Bernes (Tas)	2004	Richard Tambling (NT)
1997	Fred Campbell (NT)	2005	Grant Birchall (Tas)
1998	Shane Young (Qld)	2006	Ricky Pettifer (Qld)
	Derek Murray (NSW/ACT)	2007	Craig Bird (NSW/ACT)
1999	Brad Green (Tas)	2008	Mitch Robinson (Tas)

National Youth Championships Past Winners

1953-58	Queensland	1998	Vic Metro (Div 1)
1963-73	Queensland		NSW/ACT (Div 2)
1974-75	New South Wales	1999	Western Australia (Div 1)
1976-77	Victoria		Queensland (Div 2)
1978-80	South Australia	2000	Vic Country (Div 1)
1981-84	Victoria		NSW/ACT (Div 2)
1985	Western Australia	2001	Vic Metro (Div 1)
1986-88	Victoria		Tasmania (Div 2)
1989	Vic Country	2002	Vic Metro (Div 1)
1990	Vic Metro		Northern Territory (Div 2)
1991	South Australia	2003	Vic Country (Div 1)
1992	Vic Metro (Div 1)		NSW/ACT (Div 2)
	Vic Country (Div 2)	2004	Vic Metro (Div 1)
1993	Vic Metro (Div 1)		Northern Territory (Div 2)
	NSW (Div 2)	2005	Vic Metro (Div 1)
1994	Vic Metro (Div 1)		Tasmania (Div 2)
	Vic Country (Div 2)	2006	Vic Metro (Div 1)
1995	South Australia (Div 1)		Queensland (Div 2)
	Western Australia (Div 2)	2007	Western Australia (Div 1)
1996	Vic Metro (Div 1)		NSW/ACT (Div 2)
	Tasmania (Div 2)	2008	Tasmania (Div 2)
1997	Vic Metro (Div 1)		
	Queensland (Div 2)		

NAB AFL U18 Championships

Melbourne/Perth/Adelaide/Sydney/Tasmania, May-July, 2008

DIVISION TWO

Round One

Wednesday, May 7 at Casey Fields

NSW/ACT 11.8 (74) def Northern Territory 7.4 (46)

Tasmania 12.5 (77) def Queensland 7.11 (53)

Round Two

Saturday, May 10 at MCG

Tasmania 11.11 (77) def Northern Territory 10.4 (64)

NSW/ACT 9.13 (67) def Queensland 5.6 (36)

Round Three

Tuesday, May 13 at Casey Fields

Tasmania 13.6 (84) def NSW/ACT 8.7 (55)

Northern Territory 14.7 (91) def Queensland 5.7 (37)

Division Two winner: Tasmania

Division Two runner-up: NSW/ACT

DIVISION ONE

Round One

Sunday, May 25 at MCG

Vic Metro 12.4 (76) def Vic Country 11.7 (73)

Saturday, May 31 at Adelaide Oval

South Australia 17.6 (108) def Tasmania 9.9 (63)

Sunday, June 1 at Subiaco Oval

Western Australia 15.7 (97) d NSW/ACT 4.3 (27)

Round Two

Saturday, June 7 at Henson Park

NSW/ACT 11.6 (72) def Vic Country 10.7 (67)

Sunday, June 8 at AAMI Stadium

Western Australia 15.12 (102)

d South Australia 4.13 (37)

Monday, June 9 at Bellerive Oval

Vic Metro 12.8 (80) d Tasmania 1.7 (13)

Round Three

Saturday, June 14 at Aurora Stadium

NSW/ACT 11.8 (74) def Tasmania 9.8 (62)

Saturday, June 21 at Subiaco Oval

Vic Country 11.4 (70) def Western Australia 6.7 (43)

Sunday, June 22 at Adelaide Oval

Vic Metro 17.5 (107) def South Australia 8.6 (54)

Round Four

Saturday, July 5 at Casey Fields

Tasmania v Western Australia, 10am

Vic Country v South Australia, 12.15pm

Vic Metro v NSW/ACT, 2.30pm

Round Five

Wednesday, July 9 at Telstra Dome

South Australia v NSW/ACT, 10.05am

Tasmania v Vic Country, 12.15pm

Vic Metro v Western Australia, 2.30pm

MATCH CONDITIONS – Round robin format; division winner will be the team that wins the most games. Where two teams are tied for first position, the team that won the match played between them shall be declared the winner. Where three teams are tied, the team with the highest percentage will be declared the winner. There will be no drawn matches. Where scores are level at full-time, the timekeeper shall not sound the siren until another score (goal or behind) is registered.

All-Australian team selectors 2008

Kevin Sheehan
AFL Talent Manager

Alan McConnell
AIS-AFL High Performance Coach

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Melbourne Football Club
Recruiting Manager

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Geelong Football Club
Recruiting Manager

Graham Wright
Hawthorn Football Club
Recruiting Manager

Merv Keane
Essendon Football Club
Recruiting Manager

Championships committee

Kevin Sheehan
AFL Talent Manager
(Championships Manager)

Craig Notman
AFL Talent Coordinator

Roger Berryman
AFL Game Development
Events Manager

SEE THE FUTURE



—TRIPLE HEADER—

WEDNESDAY, JULY 9, TELSTRA DOME

10:05am — SA v NSW/ACT

12.15pm — Tas v Vic Country

2.30pm — Vic Metro v WA

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