



RED NEWS

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A-GRADE (DIV 1)

9.6 – 60

DEF BY

14.10 – 94

Prince Alfred Old Collegians

Rostrevor Old Collegians

GOAL KICKERS: B. Castree 3, L. Crawford 2, H. Jolly, A. Perryman, D. Morgan, K. Agius

BEST PLAYERS: W. Brennan, J. Pitt, G. Hannaford, D. Morgan, A. Perryman

COACH'S REPORT:

Not a great start to the year!

It's been a very long off season and although Round 1 is over it feels a little strange to now have a week off? We now look to reset for Goody Saints in Rd 2.

Obviously a very disappointing day for the whole club, especially the A grade on our home deck. We didn't execute the style of play we would have liked and we made far too many basic football errors which ultimately cost us.

The positives for the day where that we had 6 new players playing their first game for this great footy club and all of them performed well enough to suggest they have big futures.

We now have to weeks to adjust and look forward to a win.

Happy Easter to all

Brett Backwell



B-GRADE (DIV 1 RES)

6.8 – 44

DEF BY

10.2 – 62

Prince Alfred Old Collegians

Rostrevor Old Collegians

GOAL KICKERS: L. Bartlett, B. Siebels, T. Simpson, R. Blackwell, A. Ross, J. Morrell

BEST PLAYERS: J. Wehl, C. Comerford, J. Bonney, A. Manning, O. Chapman, O. Collison

COACH'S REPORT:

Round 1 was largely an unknown with five players playing their first B-Grade match for the Reds in new recruits Jake Wehl, Jack Lang, Riley Blackwell as well as year 12 lads Tom Geyer and Oscar Chapman; we also welcomed back Aaron Manning and Nick Blanch after stints away from the Club.

ROCS listed eight players that played every game of A-Grade in 2016 so we knew that we would be up for a good contest.

We had the breeze in the first but unfortunately shot ourselves in the foot with inaccurate kicking, which ultimately our undoing for the day having more scoring shots in the match.

Jake Wehl was very good all day and did a job for us going to a back flank and shutting down ROCS' $\frac{3}{4}$ as well as creating attack from defence. School boy Oscar Chapman was also very impressive in multiple positions as was Charlie Comerford rucking for the majority of the match giving our mids first use against two very good opposition ruckman.

James Dalwood

C-GRADE (DIV 7)

24.15 – 159

DEF

2.3 – 15

St. Paul's OS

Prince Alfred Old Collegians

GOAL KICKERS: C. Short 2

BEST PLAYERS: N. Ramsey, W. Daniel, S. Alexander, W. Brown, C. Short

COACH'S REPORT:

Not a good day for the C grade out at St Pauls College going down by 22 goals. Right from the first bounce it was evident that we would struggle against a much taller and stronger bodied opposition. Even though we were getting a beating we never let our spirit or our endeavour drop. I was very proud of the way the boys tried their very best at every contest.

We need to work on our basic skills so we don't turn the ball over when after we have worked so hard to get it. We are looking forward to the challenge of the long road trip to Flinders University next round.

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Clev's Corner

Matthew 'Clever' Kildea is an undefeated former player, premierships assistant coach and general know-it-all who seems to have an opinion on **everything**.

When the committee approached me during the off-season and asking me to provide some content for the newsletter, naturally I accepted. I mean who would say no to the chance to give an uncensored opinion piece on any topic I want. Glen Maxwell's test 100 in India, the Western Bulldogs drought breaking premierships, or even Trump's response to the Syrian Gas attacks. Speaking of the Donald, a quick shout out to Senator Cory Bernardi for making an appearance at the A-grade on the weekend, I'm sure our first loss in 223 days was purely coincidental.

Drilling down to the Reds, there were a number of things that caught my eye over the week. The BBQ was doing a roaring trade judging by the length of the line, School boy Oscar Chapman selling candy to the ROCs B-grade and Will Swale's efforts to help Davo sell some surplus Showdown tickets were all positive stories, however when the club sits at 0-7, it's time to focus on an opportunity for improvement.

The strength of the club over the past decade has come from the growth in depth the club has had. Swelling from 3 teams to 6 between 2010 and 2016, it was no surprise that over the last 3 years we pumped out 9 premierships, including the Div 1 & 1R double in 2016.

As we roll into 2017, the player base has contracted slightly, and this has seen a scrambling from the lower grades to try and secure a core of players for 'their' team. The **#oneclub** mantra has well and truly been thrown out the window.

Social media lit up over the weekend with complaints from the E-grade that the D-grade were hoarding players. When teams were locked in on Friday afternoon, the D's had 23 and the E's 22. From there, the D-grade all received a message confirming their selection, and subsequently all rocked up. The E-grade sent no such message, and when only 19 players then turned up, rather than reflecting inwards, they looked elsewhere to see who they could blame.

Now I might have it wrong, but I thought **#CCRR** had communication in it, not complain! Rather than grizzle after the fact, why don't you use your social media to let your mate know he's playing. Oh, and let's not forget, while the likes of Vidic, Martin, Brown, Prest and Pemberton are all playing games several grades below their ability, the E's can't credibly play the victim card. So to the moaning E-graders, you are the round 1 recipients of **#ClevsClip**.

PLAYER AUCTION VOTES ROUND 1

1. Oliver Clarke
2. Jake Pitt
3. Djye Morgan
4. Will Brennan
5. Adam Perryman
6. George Hannaford

D-GRADE (DIV C1)

2.4 – 16

DEF BY

28.18 – 186

Prince Alfred Old Collegians

Rostrevor Old Collegians

GOAL KICKERS: A. McAskill, H. Collison

BEST PLAYERS: J. Mills, N. Braund, S. Bean, E. Holmes, C. Brewerton, N. Oag

COACH'S REPORT:

Not a great start for the D grade coming up to C1 this year and playing a very strong Rostrevor team who finished the minor round in 2nd last year. Whilst the result was not what we wanted, or hoped for, the lads never gave in and the effort was there throughout.

Thanks Jack Mills, who whilst still at school and came out to play for us, he was comfortably our best on the day and should do very well for the school this year. Hopefully he is able to make a couple more cameo's throughout the season.

Let's enjoy the Easter break and look to bounce back next week.

Antony Brabham

E-GRADE (DIV 7 RES)

12.9 – 81

DEF

7.6 – 48

St Paul's OS

Prince Alfred Old Collegians

GOAL KICKERS: B. Vidic 3, S. Tyndall 2, D. Hunt, M. Smalls

BEST PLAYERS: B. Weidenhofer, M. McGregor, J. Ma, M. Sanders, B. Newbery, B. Vidic

COACH'S REPORT:

An honourable loss and very proud of the 19 players who represented the E's Saturday. Let's hope Josh Harkness recovers from his shoulder injury...was playing well at the time.

With a couple of rotations we could have hung on for a memorable victory. The weather took its toll in the end.

The plus is every player got good game time a far cry from having 7 on the bench.

We regroup after the Easter break with a few notable players returning to the fold for 2017.

David Marsh