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# GAME #8





Alan Davidson Oval, Wyoming

# M.I.A. COTTIER

With memories - albeit fading - of a remarkable comeback against Kanwal in Round 1 to lift their spirits, Wyoming hoped their recent misfortunes could be reversed here on home soil. Man-flu survivors Chris and Burkey were back but a migraine had befallen poor Fordo whilst Ian was pulled away by force (bad pun) with work and Cottier ... well last weekend his underparts didn't turn up and this time ... neither did he. His M.IA. wasn't explained until post game by a text stating he was held back at work. Nevertheless we welcomed 13 Wyoming players and their supporters. Not so much welcome were: Kanwal having a full squad; the heavy trickle of rain; and a few piles of dog shit on the oval surface - though some would guip there seemed to be more of the proverbial kind out there as the game progressed.





MEADY tries to win something at least / GREGG's steps up his claim for the golden boot.

## THE LOST ART OF WYOMING GOAL SCORING

As is becoming habit these days, Wyoming struggled to find the net. It was there alright, attached securely to the goal posts at either end but putting a ball into it was another story. Luca and Chris offered plenty of good deliveries. Andy even shot on target at it but was marred by a particularly agile goalkeeper. Brad and Stew ran through the defenders giving their best as usual whilst Flanno, in striker position today, astutely avoided any offside infringements ... by not running. So if no one up front was capable, who would it fall to for Wyoming to knock one into the net? ... Our sweeper of course!! Yes, the first goal sailed in from a deflection by Meady ... unfortunately at the wrong end. Yes, sadly Mark Wallace fouled just outside the egde of the 18-yard box. Kanwal's subsequent free kick found a free header and Meady's attempted clearance ultimately sailed past poor Aza.







LUCA sets up STEW for an early shot.







AARON calmly takes care of a back pass







KANWAL takes the lead with a set piece.

# SCORE:



0



1







ANDY's corner.







GREGG header blocks the back post threat







ANDY attempts to chip the keeper.





LUCA sets up ANDY for a shot.

# GOALKEEPER WISDOM 101

At half time, Meady said he'd be pissed off if the score finished at 1 nil. He need not worry, Kanwal weren't finished with us yet. And a relief too that he shouldn't blame himself as he put in yet another mighty effort today playing deeper as sweeper than usual. The rain poured just before half time and wasn't subsiding when the referee ventured back onto the field to resume play. A few of Wyoming's players remained under the gazebo for as long as they could. Aaron was one of them. He wisely pointed out that until he, the goalkeeper was out on the field, the ref could not resume the game. In hindsight, he and those in his company should've remained, as whilst the rain did subside, Wyoming's woes did not ...





Trying to escape the rain







#### **YELLOW & RED**

Things went particularly pear-shaped when Kanwal scored their second goal. An ugly one at that after a bit of a mix-up at the back. And then before play could resume, Flanno had managed to get himself two yellow cards in quick succession for dissent at the ref. We might have to check with the Guinness Book of Records if there's a spot for him in their archives. So quick was the space in time between the two infringements that strapper Julia had no time to run out there and tape his mouth closed. So there it was, Flanno had been given his marching orders and Wyoming resumed play with 10 men. To their credit, the boys didn't give up. Luca led the charge giving his all and combined beautifully with Brad in one play that came so close to setting up a consolation goal. Kanwal's keeper may have had a few gigantic gaps between his teeth but sadly the same couldn't be said about his fingers. He was airtight today. Kanwal eventually twisted the knife in with a third goal, their most impressive of the afternoon. They had more chances but a combination of Aaron's quick reflexes and some poor shooting put an end to that. When Kanwal's No. 14 botched one particular shot, Brad was quick to quip that he did a disservice to the number on his back.







KANWAL gets their second goal / FLANNO given his marching orders.







KANWAL make it three.

SCORE:







3















#### THE SLUMP

The rain eventually ceased and the clouds opened. The game came to a stop. Had the referee called full time? No, it was just temporarily on hold after a Burkey tackle - that would've fitted nicely in Meady's dossier of cracking tackles - had left a Kanwal player grounded. Oh speaking of Burkey, a belated apology for singling him out in the Terrigal game a couple of weeks back for chucking a tanty. It came to my attention that both Flanno and Brad were carded after the full time whistle for voicing a few displeasantries at the ref at that game. Rest assured, the tally sheets have been updated. Anyway, I digress. The full time whilstle finally blew and there's no denying that after three straight loses we are officially categorized as being in a slump. Despite a game in hand, we now sit 6 points from 4<sup>th</sup> spot. Do we start preparing the paperwork now for an application to be dropped to the E division next year? On the bright side, the drinks and cheeseburger pies still taste good after a loss and Flanno had his teammates in hysterics that afternoon when he said he will not get another yellow card for the remainder of the season. A rib tickler that one. Looking forward to that free slab of beer after next game, mate. Before we tune out for another week (if you haven't already done so), a special thanks to Megan Wallace for not only taking the photographs this round but also enduring the rain to do so. Thanks again ©

## **DIRTY SHIRTS**

Jason, Chris and Brad were the team's dirtiest players this week ...

























































#### GOAL SCORING TALLY



#### **GOALS**

Andy - 4 Chris, Luca - 2

Brad, Meady, Stew - 1

#### **ASSISTS**

Chris - 4, Andy - 3 Brad, Dunn, Flanno, Stew - 1

# THE MEAD MACHINE (MUD POINTS)



3PTS - #2 (Jason) 2PTS - #13 (Chris) **1PT** - #14 (Brad)

#### TOTAL POINTSCORE

Andy, Meady - 6pts; Brad - 5pts Chris, Dave, Fordo, Ian, Gregg, Jason, Steve - 3pts Stew - 2pts; Luca - 1pt



## YELLOW CARDS TALLY

Flanno - 6; Brad, Chris, Meady - 2 Luca, Steve, Stew - 1

#### **BEST ON FIELD**

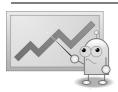
This Week's Judge:

## **ALISON STANBURY**

3PTS - Meady 2PTS - Chris

1PT - Andy





# **NEXT GAME STAT(S)**

MEADY - 100 games

## WEEK 9 WRAP-UP

Berkeley Vale are the first team to gain a point from Toukley holding them to a 2-2 draw; Killarney's win sees them inch only one point behind the Gunners; Wyong and Kanwal had big wins to keep them in the Top 4 though Berkeley - with a game in hand - are closing in.







WEEK 9 (ROUND 9)								
	HOME		AWAY		GROUND	DATE	TIME	
2	TUGGERAH	VS	<b>5</b>		Eastern Rd Oval 1 (Bateau Bay)	June 3	12:30	
1	TERRIGAL	VS	2 KILLARNEY		Edsacc North Field 3 (Killarney)	June 3	13:30	
0	WYOMING	VS	KANWAL	3	Alan Davidson Oval 1 (Wyoming)	June 3	15:00	
2	BERKELEY	VS	TOUKLEY	2	Chittaway Oval (Berkeley Vale)	June 3	15:10	

CENTRAL COAST FOOTBALL	CENTRAL COAST - 35DN 2017								
WEEK NINE									
		Р	W	D	L	F	А	PTS	Differentials
1st	8	8	7	1	0	24	6	22	18
2nd	SULLABORY 1872	8	7	0	1	20	10	21	10
3rd		9	5	0	4	28	16	15	12
4th		9	4	1	4	17	16	13	1
5th		8	3	2	3	14	16	11	-2
6th	MALIEN ENGL	9	3	0	6	13	15	9	-2
7th	Samo 100 retr	8	2	1	5	11	20	7	-9
8th	<b>3</b> 339	9	0	1	8	5	33	1	-28

## **WEEK 10 PREVIEW**

With Kanwal and Wyong expected to win their games; Berkeley Vale will have to be at their best to keep up by knocking over 2nd placed Killarney on Friday night's game at Edsacc. Wyoming, now having lost three in a row face heavyweights Toukley. They will need a miracle.

WEEK 10 (ROUND 10)								
HOME		AWAY	GROUND	DATE	TIME			
KILLARNEY	VS	BERKELEY	Edsacc North Field 1 (Killarney)	June 16	18:00			
KANWAL	VS	TUGGERAH	Kanwal Oval 1 (Kanwal)	June 17	13:30			
TOUKLEY	vs	WYOMING	Harry Moore Oval 1 (Toukley)	June 17	15:10			
WYONG	VS	TERRIGAL	Baker Park 1 (Wyong)	June 17	15:10			