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Alan Davidson Oval, Wyoming

#### FIELDS OPEN?

Due to last weekend's washout it had been another fortnight's wait for the Wyoming 35DN squad. On a run of four straight losses, had we dodged a bullet by having the 2<sup>nd</sup> placed Killarney game delayed? Could we break the drought against the bottom placed Tuggerah who after 11 games had only managed one point - courtesy of a draw with us - and finally get a result? Firstly, we needed to hope that nobody perspired whilst walking across Alan Davidson Oval during the week or risk it being washed out again and secondly we needed Club President Aaron's A-okay upon a Friday afternoon inspection. Poor Aaron has copped a bit of abuse this year when making those big decisions and then finding the grounds glistening in the sun the next day. Meady added to the ribbing when asking if the oval would get the same preferential treatment as it did last Sunday when the grounds were opened on Sunday for the club's annual Reunion Day. Not amused, he assumed the following grounds query text from Andy was also one of mockery. When Andy's next text came through asking for a roll call, Aaron responded "Why bother, ground's closed". This of course led a confused Andy to continually refresh the CCF website page looking But alas, he'd been duped. The grounds were open, game was on and we had 14 players for answers. available. Stevie G (knee injury) and Mr. MIA Cottier (man flu) were sad omissions. Another omission announced earlier was a referee. Had the word got out that Flanno was returning from suspension? Thankfully, the referee from the previous game kindly stayed back to blow the whistle and brandish a yellow card and tissue here and there for another 80 mins.





#### MARKY MATHEMATICS

Gregg rode the push bike to the ground today so there was relatively small chance it would catch on fire en route. He was spotted warming up on Field 2 an hour before kick off in his mismatched boots. Mark was back, he'd been researching the competition ladder and with Ryan's calculator had surmised that if we win 6 in a row we'd be right for finals. Marky Mathematics 101 right there folks. Luca was also back!! Having missed a month of football, he was itching (or was that from Ziggy's fleas, sorry Ziggy, cheap shot, miss your field reports buddy) to get back out there. And last but certainly not least, Chris O'Connor - having lived to through ordeals of man flu and a bucks night - was finally back to put his twinkle toes into action.



FORDO wins the toss but chooses to run in the opposition direction to the one advised.

#### MARSHALL'S MILESTONE

Celebrating a milestone today was Ian. It was his first back-to-back game ... and he lasted about a minute. Upon first touch, he strained his hamstring. At the start of the season he'd told his missus to give it a few games before she should come and watch. She was due to attend today but he promptly called and told her to "abort mission". He returned home sporting a black bruise on the back of his leg but we suspect this was from Julia pressing on it rather than an internal blemish ... plus it had the initials 'JB' branded next to it.



IAN's run ends early.

#### BELIEVE THIS!

It took only 22 minutes into the game for Flanno to be cautioned. We know that because Meady requested the time from Ngari as soon as it happened. He did end up being benched early in the second half but this was due to a strained calf and not from being shown any cards. Luca wasn't so lucky. After being knocked down, his ensuing scowl at the referee lasted too long and when he muttered out the word "Unbelievable", the referee pulled out the yellow and retorted with a classic one-liner, "believe this". When Fordo made a complaint later on, the referee promptly presented him with a tissue to have a cry into. He would've had more complaints come his way if the opposition had've scored from a passage of play that started with a foul throw. His "oh well" upon our appeal was disconcerting. He may have grumbled his way through the game but nevertheless was good value.



#### LUCA the disbeliever

#### THE MAGIC COMBO ... AND WALLACE

Brad returned to his old spot in the defensive line with Meady. The magic combo finally back in action ready to block any dangerous threats. And they had to be when Mark made a direct pass to a Tuggerah attacker. Thankfully it was diffused. Dave also had a solid game on the right flank and was bigger than the wall in Game of Thrones in one instance when he blocked a Tuggerah player foolish enough to try a run down the flank.



BRAD & MEADY blocking the opposition ... MARK not so much.

#### ON TARGET

At the other end, Andy was on target today with three solid shots in the first half. Sadly two were blocked and the third hit the base of the crossbar. The invisible sniper was also on target and they did not discriminate taking out one of Tuggerah's players and one of our own ... Gregg of course. Fordo was the busiest up front today. He set up one of Andy's shots and was at the receiving end of one of Andy's crosses, heading it just over the crossbar.



The Invisible Sniper does not discriminate.



ANDY's makes an early shot ... or was that a cross?



MARK takes a shot ... or is it a pass to a Tuggerah defender ?



CHRIS sets up LUCA for a shot.



CHRIS takes a shot.



STEW attempts a header shot from an ANDY corner kick.



Tuggerah's Keeper taps ANDY's shot over the crossbar.



FORDO takes things head on after an ANDY cross.



FLANNO sets up ANDY for a shot that's crossbar bound.

# HALF-TIME:







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LUCA takes an ambitious shot.



CHRIS & FORDO have a punt each.



CHRIS's heads LUCA's pass into the crossbar, LUCA's ensuing shot goes wide 🐵

#### THE FORDO FALCON

The frustration of stalemate loomed as the game reached the halfway mark of the second half. Chris had come closest with an excellent header. The second phase play from this ended with Luca's shot sailing left. Luca also took a shot that was reminiscent of the ol' Crecca bombs into the Forest creek at the North End. Andy managed another shot on target (was this a record??) but it was blocked by Tuggerah's newest sweeper... Fordo. His noggin got in the way. When he wasn't helping Tuggerah's cause, Fordo did manage a couple of shots, the most he'd had since he was a young lad playing for the Sicily Cicadas. Jason Burke also made some crisp runs and crosses into Tuggerah's danger zone. There was a sense that surely some luck was going to eventually come our way.



#### SECOND HALF DEFENCE

There were some nervous moments at the other end. Apart from the referee's complacency with that foul throw, Tuggerah did get a couple of breaks. Their most dangerous run had an attacker on his way to a 1-on-1 battle with Aaron until it was spoiled by one Brad Avery who decided to be a nuisance by charging back and getting in the way.



BRAD's rugged defence saves the day.



"Out!!" Double dobbers won't let Fordo play on from the sideline.

#### (CHRIS)TMAS IN JULY

It would take some individual magic to break the deadlock. Just shy of halfway, Brad found Chris in some open space on the right flank. O' Twinkle toes made a charge, beat the defenders and jettisoned the ball towards the Tuggerah goal mouth. Surely the angle was too acute and the distance too far to be a shot ... but no, it was perfect, finding the left corner of the net.



CHRIS O'MIGHTY puts the Tigers in front !!

#### A CLEAN SHEET !!

Aaron had been suffering delusions of grandeur believing we'd already had a clean sheet this season prior to this game. We had not. Today though he could finally stand proud that the 10 players in front of him in the bright canary yellow had done their jobs and delivered the opposition a big fat donut. Bravo!!

## FULL TIME:







#### DIRTY SHIRTS

Though it looks suspiciously like Luca may have taken his shirt into the carpark and driven over it - it looks like tyre tread yeah? - we gave him the benefit of the doubt and declare him the unbelievable winner of the three points this round. Fordo leapt, dove, fell and crawled to get on the board. And the big man, Dave picked up another point. Timber!!!!



FORDO gets on the board thanks to Nige doing the washing this week!



### THE MAMBO KING: THE MOVES OF MARLOW













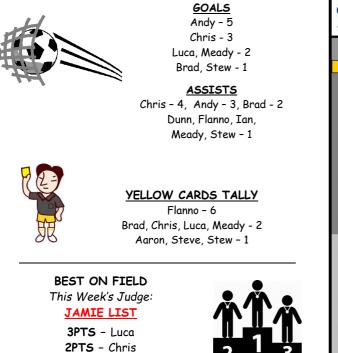








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#### WEEK 12 WRAP-UP

The gap between the two leaders and the rest of the pack widens with Toukley and Kanwal defeating their Top 4 rivals. Terrigal's defeat over Berkeley Vale sees them squeeze into the Top 4. Wyoming's win sees them 9pts clear of the dreaded wooden spoon.

1PT - Brad

			W	EEK 1	2 (ROUND 12)		
	HOME		AWAY		GROUND	DATE	TIME
2	KANWAL	VS	TOUKLEY	3	Eastern Rd Oval 1 (Bateau Bay)	July 1	13:30
3	KILLARNEY	VS	WYONG	1	Edsacc North Field 3 (Killarney)	July 1	15:00
1	WYOMING	VS	TUGGERAH	0	Alan Davidson Oval 1 (Wyoming)	July 1	15:10
2	TERRIGAL	VS	BERKELEY	1	Chittaway Oval (Berkeley Vale)	July 1	15:00

#### NEXT ...

Whilst most teams now get a fortnight break, Wyoming has two games within the coming week. If they can win both they can catch up to  $4^{th}$  placed Terrigal on competition points ...

WEEK	( 12 (ROUND 11)		
VS KILLARNEY	Pluim Park 2 (Lisarow)	July 4	20:00
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#### Cya Tuesday!!

