



WYOMING 35DN CHRONICLES

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GAME #14



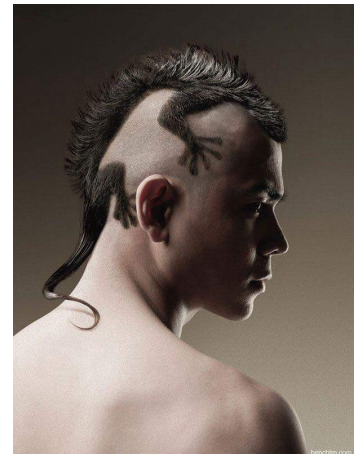
Vs



Alan Davidson Oval, Wyoming

A FULL SQUAD !!

It was only two weeks ago that we faced the Wombats for the first time this season. Now, unless there were to be some freakish late finals berth, we were facing them for the last time. A fortnight ago, we could field only 10 of our own players. Now, we had a full compliment of 16 available. Yes, by Saturday morning, all had confirmed their availability, yes even Cottier!! He was back from the dead and not in a flesh-eating zombie way. Kev was ready to give that dodgy calf a stretch whilst Stevie G was ready to test that dodgy knee, the hydraulics sounding good whenever he bent it, particularly after Julia sprayed a fresh coat of WD40 on it. Hell, we even had the ES squad playing before us in case we required any last minute additions. And then it came. There's always one when everything seems too good to be true. Our trusty goalkeeper Aaron Quill made that phone call bosses dread on a Monday morning - or Saturday in this case - the sickie call. With his best sick voice, he announced he had man flu and wouldn't be up for the 20 meters of total running he usually does over the course of 80 minutes. Thankfully Stevie G was confident enough to don the gloves. Other than this late scratching, there was nothing to be concerned about: Chris said he might be a tad late for the warm up but was confident he'd arrive before kick off; Luca had almost double booked himself with a new haircut but sent his son Marco to the barber instead; Meady would be right if he could fix his son's scooter in time; and Dave suffered a late injury scare when he burnt his upper lip on a steak and kidney pie. He's off to the shop this coming week to get lip protectors sewn into his headgear so such a mishap never happens again. The only stress was for Julia on whether she could get this Mummy squad all strapped up in bandages in time for kick off.



THE MUMMY SQUAD / LUCA almost missed the game to get this haircut.

DOMINATION

It was a quality start for Wyoming. The majority of play being kept in the opposition's half. Luca and Chris controlling the midfield and offering plenty of chances to the runners. Andy got several crosses through, one just narrowly missing the noggin of Brad who started up front. Mark also put through a great cross. With some many opportunities it was surely only a matter of time before one shot found its mark, right? right?



ANDY and BRAD give service to CHRIS



BRAD almost connects to an ANDY cross.



GRRR!! LUCA, like a TIGER !!



IAN tries an arsey attempt to connect with STEW's cross.

THE INTERCEPT

Those football gods can be a cruel lot. One team can totally dominate the proceedings but one slip up and they can suddenly be behind. And that's what happened. Meady's pass to his fellow central defender Cottier didn't quite have the juice required. An intercept by Berkeley's sharp shooter left poor Stevie G to fend for himself and that was that, Berkeley had an unexpected lead.



SCORE:



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HOLLERING FOR A MARSHALL

Wyoming's heads might've temporarily dropped but the confidence quickly returned as they continued their push forward. Several plays had the opposition locked in for corner kicks. On one of these occasions, the corner kick was blocked but came back in Andy's direction for another go. His shot was blocked but the deflection bounced favourably for Luca who thought why not, third time lucky. He sent it back into that crowded goalmouth and who was standing there to cool and collectedly tap it in with the inside of his boot? Mr. Ian Marshall, that's who - his first goal!! And wouldn't you know it, today marked the first time his missus had come to watch him play ... though she wasn't watching at that very moment ... In the words of the great Homer Simpson, D'oh!!



After a bit of goalmouth ping pong, IAN taps it to equalise.

SCORE:



1



1



ANDY gives IAN a chance for a quick brace.



Heads up for MEADY



MARK sends through a killer cross.



CHRIS "Twinkle Toes" O'CONNOR in action.



DAVE hits the deck

THE WINGS OF AN AVIARY

A few minutes later, Ian came very close to getting a second goal. Momentum was looking on the up. But again, those darned football gods. A Berkeley Vale corner saw a bit of clutter just outside the 6-yard box. Marky's attempted clearance was blocked and Brad rushed ahead to run the ball out. It bounced up as he moved forward and it clipped his extended arm. "Handball!" appealed the boys in blue and the referee pointed to the spot. Their sharp shooter didn't miss despite Stevie G choosing the right direction and getting a hand to it.



HALF-TIME:



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2



FORDO's shot veers wide.



JASON with his possum killer shot leads to ...

THE YELLOW BALL

The second half got underway. A couple of clearances including Burkey's "possum killer" high shot into the northern end trees put us in a sudden predicament, we had run out of game balls. As spectators and bench players searched the nearby woods, a Berkeley sub retrieved one of their club's balls. It was love at first sight for Wyoming. Not only because of the yellow and black colouring but for what ensued. Berkeley's first few kicks with it were particularly clumsy. Meady found Andy in the middle who quickly got a pass away to Brad who charged forward and took a shot. There were sighs in the crowd as the ball collided with the woodwork but to the astonishment of all, it hit the inside of the right post, sailed across the goal frame and into the left netting. 2-2 for the team, 1-1 for Brad's stats. Berkeley fumbled their kick off continuing the curse of their yellow ball. As soon as it crossed the sideline, that ball quickly disappeared into their gear bag, never to be seen again that afternoon. Yellow ball, we salute you !!



BRAD locks it up.

SCORE:



2



2

THE CHEESE SHORTAGE

We'd come from behind twice, could we go that extra distance and take a lead? Things got harder though when we lost some sting in our attack. Stew limped off the field due to a bit of a knee twist and then Chris was sidelined with a calf injury sending Andy into the middle with Luca. They combined well. Fordo provided a good option to pass to on the right flank, when he wasn't loitering a mile offside. There were no opposition gripes sent his way for pushing this time but he was a victim to some and made an appeal to the ref to show the "slice of cheese" to his assailant. No photo available but here enjoy some of Luca ...



MARLOWS & HIGHS

Things looked grim at the back during one moment in play. You'd think his own goal assist in the first half would be enough but Meady looked to be going for one worse when his header clearance went the wrong way. It was on target too. Luckily, Gregg was on the backline to knock it away. Poor Gregg though, shortly afterwards, a Berkeley cross missed it's desired target and found Gregg's head instead. There was nothing nobody could do, the ball sailing into the net and giving Berkeley not only the lead, but this late in the game, the winner. Curse those football gods!! It's just been one of those seasons !!



FULL TIME:



2



3

QUOTE OF THE DAY

"You didn't get any, you were shit" - Ryan Wallace to his father regarding the allocation of the 3-2-1 pts.

DIRTY SHIRTS

After four straight games of picking up points, competition leader Fordo had a dry day and failed to add to his campaign, perhaps being offside too often meant not much heavy contact with the opposition. Brad picked up a vital three points today and joins Chris in 2nd spot. Luca earned 2pts after plenty of soil contact. The Mead Machine decided nobody else was good enough to earn the one pointer.



BRAD gets some inspiration from both sides.

STATS



BRAD AVERY



STEWART WEBB





THE ORIGIN OF MAN



Shhh, what's a fitbit ?? / AARON on sponsorship duties / DAVE TRAVOLTA in Saturday, erm, Day Fever



LUCA not happy with that last referee decision ? / A fan auditions for GREGG's dance class / Sad GREGG ☹





GOAL SCORING TALLY



GOALS

Andy - 6
Chris - 3
Brad, Luca, Meady - 2
Ben, Fordo, Ian, Stew - 1

ASSISTS

Andy - 6, Chris - 4, Brad - 3
Dunn, Flanno, Ian, Luca,
Meady, Stew - 1

THE MEAD MACHINE (MUD POINTS)



3PTS - #14 (Brad)
2PTS - #8 (Luca)
1PT - No Points

TOTAL POINTSCORE

Fordo - 13pts
Brad, Chris - 8pts
Andy, Gregg, Luca, Meady - 6pts
Dave, Ian - 4pts
Jason, Steve - 3pts
Stew - 2pts



YELLOW CARDS TALLY

Flanno - 5
Aaron, Brad, Chris, Luca - 2
Fordo, Meady, Steve, Stew - 1

BEST ON FIELD

This Week's Judge:

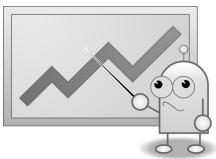
RYAN WALLACE

3PTS - Luca
2PTS - Steve
1PT - Cottier



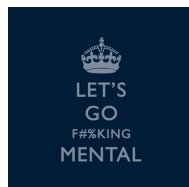
UPCOMING GAME STAT(S)

FLANNO - 90 games
STEVE GEORGE - 75 games



WEEK 14 WRAP-UP

Berkeley's lucky win over Wyoming sees them hold onto third spot whilst Terrigal climbed from 6th to 4th due to a big win over Tuggerah. Wyong slipped out of the 4. Other than the top two against each other, every team has played each other twice. With four games remaining, the luck of the draw may well decide positions 3 & 4 on the ladder. Wyong & Kanwal will feel blessed that neither have to face the top 2 in this final phase.



WEEK 14 (ROUND 14)						
	HOME	VS	AWAY	GROUND	DATE	TIME
1	KANWAL		KILLARNEY	Kanwal Oval 1 (Kanwal)	July 22	11:45
3	TOUKLEY		WYONG	Harry Moore Oval 1 (Toukley)	July 22	11:45
0	TUGGERAH		TERRIGAL	Eastern Rd Oval 1 (Bateau Bay)	July 22	12:45
2	WYOMING		BERKELEY	Alan Davidson Oval 1 (Wyoming)	July 22	14:10

CENTRAL COAST - 35DN									
2017									
WEEK FOURTEEN									
		P	W	D	L	F	A	PTS	Differentials
1st		13	11	2	0	39	12	35	27
2nd		13	11	1	1	37	17	34	20
3rd		14	7	2	5	34	30	23	4
4th		14	6	2	6	24	20	20	4
5th		14	6	0	8	34	31	18	3
6th		14	5	2	7	27	25	17	2
7th		14	3	2	9	19	36	11	-17
8th		14	0	1	13	6	49	1	-43

WEEK 15 PREVIEW

Berkeley Vale vs Kanwal is the game of the round. Kanwal will be desperate to get a result here to stay in Top 4 contention. After dropping out of the Top 4 last weekend, Wyong will also be desperate to get back there with a victory over Wyoming. Terrigal have the tough mission of facing Toukley and then Killarney next week.

WEEK 15 (ROUND 15)						
	HOME	VS	AWAY	GROUND	DATE	TIME
	WYOMING		WYONG	Alan Davidson Oval 1 (Wyoming)	July 29	11:45
	BERKELEY		KANWAL	Chittaway Oval (Berkeley Vale)	July 29	13:30
	TERRIGAL		TOUKLEY	Duffy's Oval 1 (Terrigal)	July 29	13:30
	TUGGERAH		KILLARNEY	Eastern Rd Oval 1 (Bateau Bay)	July 29	15:10

Cya Saturday!!