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Round 1 Wrap Up

Seniors

The senior team kicked off their 2018 campaign with a solid win over Oak Park, 14.13.97 to 8.7.55. Inaccurate kicking in front of goal in the first half cost us a bigger lead with 16 scoring shots to 7.

After half time Daniel Divine went forward and was a key focal point and along with Ryan Pretty who kicked three second half goals and Joel Flanigan at full forward our three talls performed very well in the wet conditions.

Caleb Harward (3 goals) was amongst our best. Marc Maric and Luke Hampshire rucked tirelessly all night to have the best of the ruck duels with Anthony Franchina taking full advantage of the delivery from the boys.

Best players – C. Harward, A. Bartrop, J. Gatto, D. Devine, A. Franchina, M. Maric
Now we reset for a very important game this weekend against traditional rivals Westmeadows.

Reserves

An exciting day for the reserves, a full squad of quality players and quality blokes. A tough and hard slog in the first quarter and not too much separating us on the score board, but in general play, Tullamarine looked dominant. Second quarter we were all over Oak Park, however missing so many easy goals was keeping them in the game. But again, our general play was solid, quick and fast considering the conditions. We made a few changes with the forward line, playing only small quick runners and it worked, we hit the scoreboard a little better and put a solid gap on the scores at 3 quarter time putting the game beyond doubt. The message in the last was to ensure we kept our foot on the pedal and really go out and have a big win, and we did. ALL players ran out the game well and showed that the pre-season running was all worth it. The game was the fastest and most skilled reserves game we have seen for years at Tullamarine. So many winners across the ground and I could not fault the commitment and hard tackling we dished out all day. A great team effort, and the 2nds have the club all buzzing after round one.

Final scores – Tullamarine 10.17.77 to Oak Park 2.2.14

Under 19's

After a very slow pre-season with only around 10 training, we finally got 20 on the park for round one and the first under 19s team for 8 years.

It was a wet and windy day for the first game and it was going to be testing.

We started well and had plenty of the footy, matching Oak Park in all areas. But we didn't use the ball well, and that showed on the score board.

The second quarter was better, and we moved the ball quick enough into our forward 50, but still didn't hit the scoreboard that well.

Our new gun recruit Scott Poynter was a big target for us but wasn't taking the grabs he normally takes. We went into half time 2 points down.

In the third quarter we came strong and kicked the first goal and took the lead from Oak Park, but they were cleaner with the ball and were taking the strong marks we weren't taking. The game was still in the balance going into the last term.

As predicted we would find it hard in the last quarter due to our lack of fitness. Oak Park hit the forward 50 12 times in the first 10 mins of the quarter making it very difficult for us to run over the top, we certainly ran out of legs in the last term which was disappointing, going down by 17 points.

Even though fitness was the low point, the pressure and commitment from the 20 that represented our club can hold their heads up, a great start for the first under 19's team at Tullamarine in 8 years.

Final scores – Tullamarine 4.3.27 to Oak Park 6.12.48

