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**TULLAMARINE**  
**DEMONS**  
**FOOTBALL CLUB**

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## Round 15 Wrap

### Seniors

We hosted East Keilor today who were desperate for a win to keep their slim finals chances alive, so our boys knew this was not going to be an easy game. A highlight for the day and for our club was the debut of one of our under 19's, Timmy Matson who did not look out of place at all at senior level and will be a 10 year plus player for the club. In what a lot of supporters considered the handing on of the batten, club legend and recent retiree Colin Laurie presented Timmy with his jumper before the game.

Right from the first bounce EK were playing with a lot of intensity and physicality around the footy and we went into half time with a slim 2 point lead. Turnovers really hurt us in the second quarter and a lot of us were surprised we were leading. After half time though it was a different story, Dean Simmons after an ordinary first half moved to the half forward line and gave us a bit of spark with 2 goals. Brad Allen again looked dangerous ending up with three goals and Ryan Pretty played a very good game also slotting through three majors.

We eventually ran out victors 18.10.118 to 10.11.71 to now sit on top of the ladder, 2 points clear of Airport West.

The win was very costly though with a number of injuries to contend with this week. We had no bench for the last quarter and a bit, which made the win that much more enjoyable.

Marc Maric was excellent in the ruck and pretty much rucked the entire second half by himself. Adzy Scott was brilliant up forward and gave us that physical presence when we needed it. Jono Hardman had arguably his best game for the season at centre half back and in a welcome return from injury, both Dean Bartrop and Anthony Prestia were dominant in the midfield.

This week we head to Jacana for a top of the ladder vs bottom of the ladder contest, however with injuries to a number of key players, is not a game we can take easily at all.

## **Reserves**

A great effort by our reserves side who ended up in a draw with East Keilor who will be playing finals and one of the contenders for the flag, final scores were 11.9.75 to 11.9.75.

Sammy Mc was dangerous as usual up forward and ended up with four goals, supported well by Shaun O'Farrell who kicked three and Shannon Dowsett who kicked two.

Shannon Dowsett was easily best on ground and marked everything that came his way and should push for senior selection this week.

Others who had solid games were Ben Daly, Darcy Browning-Hull and Jake Gatto. We still sit 5<sup>th</sup> on the ladder with finals now unlikely.

## **Under 19's**

Another disappointing loss for the boys soundly beaten by flag favourite Westmeadows who kicked 17.24.126 to our 2.3.15.

Best players for us were Zac Zuehlke, Dylan Watts, Matty Watts and Liam Lovett who unfortunately broke his finger and will miss the rest of the season.