



Important Dates

22-23 August 2020

Junior Round 5
Senior Round 6

29-30 August 2020

Chocolate Money Due

31 August 2020

Next closure date for TVAFC
merchandise

<https://www.tuggeranongfc.com.au/merch>

2-3 September 2020

Junior Photos &
Community nights

AFL Canberra Fixture

[https://aflcanberra.com.au/
fixtures-results/](https://aflcanberra.com.au/fixtures-results/)



A Word from the Board

Five rounds down and Five more to go!

The Tuggeranong Valley Football Club are halfway through their debut season as an amalgamated club. Although the scores have not been in favour of the club, they do not accurately represent how hard each individual team has been fighting during these first five rounds.

It has been difficult without our hearty crowd cheering us on from the stands, but our Men and Women have found a way to rally and bring their best to the table. Being fuelled by the new and improved club and, its new guernsey that represents the club's older history prior to the one club venture.

However, with Covid-19 restrictions starting to be lifted and more supporters being allowed to attend games we will hear the roaring Tuggeranong crowd once more. We hope to see you at the games yet again so you can enjoy the club's new style of play, while cheering on the players and giving them that extra boost that they have missed.

This week the seniors take on the Queanbeyan Tigers in what will be a strong test for all sides. Current Covid-19 restrictions are still in place which limits the number of supporters that can attend all grade levels of AFL in the ACT. So please find ways to show your full support to all our footballers and support staff and let your voice be heard!

The above words have been provided by Men's 2nd Grade player Lachie Bryce. Thanks Lachie.

Craig McLeish

Communications Director
Tuggeranong Valley Australian Football Club

MATCH REPORTS

RISING STARS - BOYS

With our Rising Stars scheduled to play against Eastlake again after our first clash in Round 1, it gave us a great opportunity to measure our improvement from 4 weeks ago. With the knowledge that the Eastlake side was a lot older, bigger, and faster than us we were under no illusion as to what a difficult game this would be.

Whilst we were well beaten on the scoreboard, it was a great effort from the whole team with everyone contributing in some way during the game. Despite losing 3 key players the night before/morning of the game, the group battled hard throughout the game and more importantly, started to play some of the creative, running football that we have been working on at training. While there were plenty of mistakes made, we will continue to encourage the boys to come out of their shell and back themselves and their teammates into playing the type of football that will help them as they grow into senior footballers.

There were some great individual performances on the day, notable Noah Le Lievre who took to his new role as an attacking defender of half back with aplomb and was inspirational to his team with the effort he gives. Cody Donlan and Max Adamson were also excellent from the Wing and Half Back respectively with both giving the team some great drive as well as frenetic defensive pressure. It should also be mentioned that the little Tip Rat, Seth Welsh had his best game for the year so far. After nagging us for some time in the midfield, he finally got his chance and didn't let us down.

We may not have the wins on the board this year, but I can honestly say that we are very pleased with how the group is progressing. The boys have really started to knit together as a tight unit and will only get better as the season progresses. Next week we have our biggest test so far against the top of the ladder Marist, but we are very confident that the group will again make further improvement and will not back away from the challenge at any stage.

Cheers

Ricci & Woody

MATCH REPORTS

RISING STARS GIRLS

Our Sunday clash against Ainslie was a huge leap forward for what is a very talented and capable Rising Stars Women's team playing only their second game (in round 5!!!!) for this season. Whilst the score didn't go our way the team showed enough to suggest that their best level of footy is going to be very, very good.

After a slow first quarter we matched our opposition every step of the way however failed to convert our dominance into scoreboard pressure. The Valley has not had a Rising Stars Women's team for many years and this great bunch of young women's players have all come together this year and thrown themselves headfirst into their footy which is great to see.

When you're watching a game of Australian Rules Football with such a new group it's important to both reward good behaviours and improvement, as well as be mindful of any warning indicators like lack of effort, connection or confidence, and I'd say that I was heartened that our positives really shone out - we now just need to believe in ourselves!!!

From an individual perspective Samantha Lawson was awesome all day dominating every contest she was involved in, Hayley MacDonald is rapidly growing into the player the opposition sides are now having to put time into with her dominant aerial ability and obvious football intelligence, Emily Croft-Sharp is the footballer every team wants with her selfless, hard-working, never-give-up attitude. Amy Coleman, as a player who has only played three games of AFL is showing she will be a player of the future with her strength and clean skills, Olivia Seary worked as hard as a coach could ever hope a forward works all day and was inspirational, Tahlia Taylor backed up a dominant Under 16's game with a huge effort in the Rising Stars and Cayley O'Neill was everywhere, constantly involved in the play and showing all the signs of a future star as well. It is desperately unfair to look at individuals on a day where every single player was excellent in their endeavour, effort and commitment so I want all players to reflect on Sunday's game with a sense of pride in their game.

With 10 minutes to go I sent a message out to one of our players which was essentially "GO NUTS!!! - Chase the ball, tackle everyone (not our players) and kick the air out of the ball!!!!" - the size of her smile and the size of her response really captured just how great this group is with Breanna Henkel picking up three kicks, two tackles, two shepherds and about 3 kilometres of running in the last couple of minutes of the game. The 2020 season in our youth girls program is about getting the players and families to fall in love with their footy and in playing for the new Club and as I look across the group I couldn't be more proud of how far they've come without the benefit of actual games under their belts - Breanna really captured what it is all about in the last 10 minutes and I couldn't be more proud of her or the rest of the team after Sunday's game - thank you to all of our volunteers, families and players for making Sunday a great day of footy.

Cheers
Leo

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MATCH REPORTS

UNDER 14S - MIXED

Saturday was a rough day for the under 14 mixed team. We came up against a big, strong and undefeated (for 4 years) Belconnen Magpies team. Our highlights as a team came in the second quarter where we took the fight to the Magpies. In this quarter the team challenged themselves and picked up their physicality and hunger for the ball. During this period, we won the ball at the contest and were able to show some really good transition of the ball into our forwards. Which consequently helped us to play some time in our attacking 50 that quarter. The rest of the game we were simply out played and out matched by a better team.

The team should be proud of themselves for the moments we had during the game but also reflect on the things we should have done too. Plenty to work on this week at training.

As the coach from Magpies said after the game, "the score definitely didn't display how physical a game your team played".

TVAFC U14 mixed 0.1. 1

Magpies Juniors 23.18 156

Best on ground

Charlotte Rich (winner of the GOAT)

Ethan Nash

Lachlan Coble

MATCH REPORTS

UNDER 15S - MIXED

It was a tough outing on the weekend against a polished Magpies side, made even tougher before the first bounce losing three players due to injury and illness then players suffering injuries during the game - it's the stuff nightmares are made of. But the players character shone through and they took it in their stride, this team is nothing if not resilient.

The Magpies came out of the blocks fast in the opening quarter with 8 goals before our boys knew what hit them. The scoring slowed somewhat after that and would have been a lot worse if not for the herculean efforts of

Lucas and Darcy down back, winning numerous one on one contests, and Brad continuing his outstanding form giving us run out of the backline. I challenged the team at halftime to correct some simple errors and they responded with a spirited second half. They finally received reward for effort when, after some excellent team pressure, Tyler kicked a goal in the last quarter.

It has been a challenge this year, but the players continue to grow, are positive and give their all and for that I couldn't be prouder. With all the work they've been putting in it's only a matter of time before things click for four quarters.

To the under 14s who play for us each week - thank you!! You guys have been an enormous support and I hope you enjoy the challenge.

Final Score

Magpies 25.20-170

Tuggeranong 1.0-6

Goal

Tyler Dalmolin

Award winners

Players player and 'Hawkeye' award - Lucas O'Dea

Goodberry's - Darcy Shaw

Black Panther (man without fear) award - Coen Riley

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SENIOR RESULTS

SENIORS ROUND 5 - RESULTS

MEN'S 1ST GRADE



6.4-40

V

15.11-101



WOMEN'S 1ST GRADE



0.0-0

V

17.15-117



MEN'S 2ND GRADE



4.2-26

V

22.8-140



WOMEN'S 2ND GRADE



0.4-4

V

14.14-98



NOTICE BOARD

DOGS NOT ALLOWED AT TRAINING OR GAMES



Exercising dogs on ovals is permissible when ovals are not being used for organised sport.

Dogs are **not** permitted onto a field or playing area where formal sport is being played. This includes both training and match play.

Save yourself a potential fine of \$150 and leave your beloved furry friends at home.



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