



Ground breaker

By Greg Oberscheidt

Having been touched up by the Maggies little over a month ago and missing a host of regulars the Griffins looked set for a rough day down at South Oval. From the pre game huddle on the pitch I was buoyed by the mood of the group. The lads were all up. You could see it in their eyes. A desire to show the rest of the comp that you get one thing when you play the Griffs. You get a battle.

From the first bounce where we forced continual stoppages through hard tackling and will it became apparent that Belco wouldn't have it on their terms. Quick ball movement through the middle found the Duke forward numerous times and in the blink of an eye he'd banged through three majors. The opposition responded and so did we when Matt Quinn snapped truly from deep in the pocket. When the siren sounded we'd won our first quarter for the year.

The second term was an arm wrestle with little scoring. AK, Hermy and Dougie were great down back and Sorro kept driving the ball deep into attack where Suzie Boyle played the game of his life. Throwing himself into every tackle and setting the standard for effort and heart.

Crawshaw was outstanding in the second half taking mark after mark in the defensive 50 and his quick switching allowed Chaston and Vass to get the ball wide and drive us into attack. All the while big Dan Musil, playing unchanged in the ruck dominated whoever they threw against him in a performance that left us in awe.

Goals were exchanged throughout and the margin bounced between one and two goals. Each time Belco scored, the heads could have dropped but the likes of Ray Quinn, Sirry,

ANU	10.9.69
BELCO	9.2.56
BEST	D Musil, J Boyle, M Crawshaw, A Kelly, G Earl-Spurr, D Chaston, R Sirr
GOALS	G Earl-Spurr 3, M Quinn 2, D Chaston 2, D Butler, S Bishop, J Buckley

AK and stand in skipper 'Frenchy' Le Page got the boys up for another effort.

Chasto kicked a great running goal to build the lead and another with a minute to go that iced the game.

In 25 years of footy this is in the best couple of wins I've been involved in. The crowd was awesome and full of voice, the game always in the balance and the reward was unbelievable.

After last week our coaching staff asked whether our group were playing team football. Consider that question answered. Well done lads.

Upcoming games

Queen's Birthday long weekend bye.
Rd 11 commences Sat 14 June with ANU Seniors taking on ADFA, Reserve's against Woden and the Women travelling to Wagga.

Post match preso

Get down to Hellenic after every game for BOG awards and a mudslide with your mates. BOG receives a Kingston Physio session and \$50 Hellenic voucher. Best of all, you don't pay for a drink all night!

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Molonglo wash-up

By Nick Crean

It was the final day of Autumn and the ANU Women got the triple bill under way against Molonglo Juggernauts (the artist formerly known as Murrumbidgee). Despite an eleventh hour selection blunder from the coach (sorry girls) things got under way on time. Possibly because of that disrupted start, the Griffs were slow to make inroads in the first half and Molonglo put a couple on the board.

The Roy – Naughton – Davies combination in the ruck was working well with Chow, Dellar and co getting on the end of the tap downs. An honourable mention must really go to E-Lai's effort in the middle. E-Lai is on exchange from Canada and always gives what we call in Oz 'a red hot go.' Her example inspired strong tackling pressure from teammates around the ground.

The forwards came into their own after half time and it was great to see strong leads into space from Best Jones, Ali C and Burgo. Ali C and Jonesy combined with clean hands for one of the plays of the day deep in the forward pocket. But you couldn't go past the goals from Chow's set shot and later Phoebe's cool finish (and even cooler Rocky-esque celebration).

On reflection, there were quite a few moments worth celebrating, even though we couldn't take away the points. Many of the team celebrated in style on the Hellenic D.F. at the Rubik's Cube Party, which was great to see. Thanks to those who organised the event. Enjoy the rest over the long weekend – plenty of work to do after that when we go on the road to Wagga.



ANU 2.1.13

BELCO 4.6.30

BEST L Chow, E Lai, C Roy,
P Naughton, K Dellar, S
Demery

GOALS L Chow, P Naughton



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Volunteers

Thanks to all the volunteers who turn up tirelessly each week to help out around the club. ANU relies on volunteers to assist in the canteen, running water, ground checks and general game day activity.

The Griffs have a solid draw for the second half of the season with a bunch of home games and triple headers. To ensure its not the same few carrying the load for the whole club make sure you do your small bit to contribute.



Reserve's fight to the death

By Johnny Mitchell #18

It was a slap back to reality for the mighty Magoos this week. I'm not talking about the overall result, but the fact that for the first time this year we had to start at the traditional 2nd grade time of midday. For some like the new pelican twins Bernie Larken and Paddy Egli, this just meant turning off the Nintendo 64 at a reasonable hour. But for some such as vice-captain Shaun "Rubber Elbow" Ryan, this was clearly too much, as he took off up the Hume as soon as the start time was announced.

This theme of a leadership vacuum continued during the day with Dizzy Dean playing up, Mitch with a case of elephant leg and Smithy partaking in a quick Asian tour to promote his latest book "I'm a jet and you're a peanut - Chris Smith's guide to Division 3 football", there was not a single member of the leadership group to take the field. This did allow for Tony "don't you dare call me turtle" Helman to lead the boys out.

It was a welcome back of sorts as the club witnessed four big in's this week. Cliffy, CSI Canberra, the Ambassador to Christmas Island, and Ranga #2 all made extremely welcome returns. With zero combined games between the four of them in the last month, I imagine the senior coaches were just looking for all four of them to get through the game and get some run in the legs. Well they did more than that with all four of them being standouts, Hutch taking plenty of marks in the back half, Cliffy marking strongly and occasionally kicking accurately, Garry Garrinson wrapping all 58kg of South Australian muscle around opponents to show that his tackling is as good as ever while big boy Leroy was arguably best afield slotting four and

providing a constant target all day at centre half forward.

The boys competed admirably in the first half, but with Belconnen kicking super annoying goals in the last minute of each of the quarters the good guys found themselves down by 4 goals when the time came to eat oranges (or these days jelly lollies). Tireless work from Canberra's newest obstetrician, Damien West, and good back six play by the original Mitchell (Chris) and the original Jay (Warwick), allowed us to close the gap to a touch over two goals at three quarter time. Unfortunately this was as close as it was going to get with ANU and Belconnen trading goals like World of Warcraft cards, and us just not able to string together the consecutive goals required to really place Belconnen under the pressure they deserved.

While the game was certainly an improvement on the previous weeks effort (thank you captain obvious), the boys still felt the bitter taste of unfulfillment that comes with losing a game that was well and truly within grasp. Luckily Arch provided 2 cartons of Nastro Azzuro to wash this bitter taste away.

ANU	13.6.84
BELCO	15.9.99
BEST	C Mitchell, W Bonney, D West, G Simpson, L Sloan
GOALS	L Sloan 4, J Cliff 2, D West 2, J Hayes, P Egli, M James, W Jay, N Turner

GRIFFIN SOCIAL CALENDAR

JUNE

Event: Steve Barwick Memorial game
Date & time: 2:15pm Saturday 21 June
Venue: Eastlake oval

JULY

Event: Pepper Cup
Date & time: 12pm Saturday 19 July
Venue: South Oval

Event: 4P's
Date & time: 7pm Saturday 19 July
Venue: South Oval sheds

AUGUST

Event: ANU Old Boys game
Date & time: Saturday 3 August
Venue: ANU South Oval

Event: ANU Trivia Night
Date & time: 7pm Friday 8 August
Venue: Hellenic in the City (upstairs)

SEPTEMBER

Event: ANUAFC Presentation Night
Date & Time: 7:30pm Saturday 20 Sept
Venue: Hellenic in the City (upstairs)

OCTOBER

Event: Footy trip
Details TBC

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