



Grand final week!

Saturday 5 September 2015

-10:30am: ANU Reserves take on Harman Hogs at Gungahlin Enclosed Oval.

-1pm: ANU Seniors take on Woden Blues at Gungahlin Enclosed Oval.

MAD MONDAY

Monday 7 September 2015

-9:30am: Meet at South for BBQ breaky and hair of the dog in your Monday finest. Schedule TBA.

Presentation Night

Just like Snags Dean you can snag yourself preso tickets in time for the always-quality Griffos glamour event this month.

When: 7pm for 7:30pm, Friday 18 September

Where: Poseidon Room, Hellenic in the City.

RSVP to anugriffins@gmail.com for yourself (and guest) by no later than Monday 14 September. Please make sure to include any dietary requirements with your RSVP.

Account name: ANU Australian Football Club

Account number: 464 641 279

BSB: 112-908

E.g. reference: Crawsh preso x2

Tickets are \$80pp and include entrée, main and a 4-hour drinks package. Please pay directly into the ANUAFC account to confirm your place

We're at it again!!

*By Coach Greg Oberscheidt



For the 3rd time in 4 years the Mighty Griffins have progressed both men's sides into the big dance.

It's a remarkable achievement for a club that holds true to the beliefs that work/life comes first and footy comes second (even though this does give me the shits on a weekly basis).

The ANU Seniors have a big task in front of us this week tackling Woden who've been the best side all year and deserve their favouritism. They're a big side and play good strong football in what's a bit of a throwback to the 90s. They don't rely on zones and presses, just a quick handball and a long kick to a strong contest. Allan Jeans would love it.

Our backline has been epic all year led by Rawlo and Craw and they'll need to be strong for us once more to give us a chance. Disciplined defensive footy is required to defuse the long bomb and ensure the seed doesn't get over the back. Once at ground level, Retro, AK and Zorro have the poise and skills to set us up on transition.

The midfield is where the game will be won and lost. Jobbsy has been great all year and improves with every game. He was best on last time we faced the Blues so he'll like to repeat that effort and give us first use. The big boys in the middle, 'Old Balls', Leeroy and Burgler need to bring some heat and stick a few big tackles early to give us some momentum and allow us to utilise the speed legs and skill of Risky, Vass and Quinny on the outside. Jono looked like he needed a hug after the last game so he'll no doubt have plenty to say.

The balance of the forward line is still to be decided but whoever is selected will be strong in the air and on the ground and as long as we can maintain strong defensive pressure we'll create enough chances to give it a shake. We need to capitalise on those chances and make every post a winner. Cliffy's direction and leadership will be vital for us as will the pace and enthusiasm of Hubert Marks. We're still waiting on Patty Egli's Mrs to give us the green light on a few soldiers so once we've got that we'll set the side and set our sights on holding that Challis aloft again.

As always, we'd love your support so those who can, please get down to Gungahlin from 10.30 to support the Reserves and 1pm for the Seniors as we strive to create our own slice of history and bring home two big cups for the first time.

BRING YOUR PRYDE!

The Big Dance



*By Coach Robb

This Saturday the Magoos season wraps up as the Griffins take on Harman in the Division 4 Grand Final. At the conclusion of the home and away stanza, the twos finished second to the Hogs in first and four games clear of ADFA in third.

After earning the week off with a solid win against Harman in the qualifying final, the twos will go into the game confident but cautious. Whilst the ledger against the Hogs so far reads 3-1 to ANU, the one loss was an embarrassing display at Hughes in which the Hogs ran out 101 point winners. The twos have proved that when playing their best footy they can match and beat any side in the comp, but have also shown that when we drop off our worst is diabolical.

Grand Finals have a funny way of unsettling even the most experienced of footballers, so maintaining composure early is a must. Ferocious attack on the pill and faith in those around us will go a long way to bringing home the silverware.



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'Be bold and courageous, let us leave nothing on the park'

*By Brent Ritchie

Preliminary Final: ANU Seniors def. ADFA Rams, 10.4-64 to 5.5-35

The first thing that came to mind when the Griff Tale editor approached me to write this week's report, with no forewarning (again), at late notice (again), and with tight deadlines (again), was plagiarism! Short on time, and short on new material. It's not that I don't like repeating my gags for supplementary laughs; it is one of the things I am known for!



But I feel that the Griff Tale readers deserve more in this the week both grades seek Premiership Legend status.

And when it comes to the Saturday just past, we all know what happened, we got the job half done, and the other half is still before us, the 'Big Dance' as it is colloquially being referred to around the sheds. I could give you the in and outs, the play-by-plays, but its means little if we don't take the opportunity it has afforded us this week. Plus with Johnny Mitch and Hutch's photo-journalistic work on the weekend, anything you need to know has a pictorial reference on the Griff Facebook page.

In trying to summons the appropriate grandeur and eloquence for grand final week, and in order to meet editorial deadlines, I thought I would offer us all the chance to reflect on a couple of excerpts from Professor John Molony's key note address from the ANUAFC Griffins 50th anniversary celebrations in 2011. A legendary Griff, the Professor was able, in my opinion, to capture the essence of the Griffins in his address and what it has meant for generations of Griffins to pull on the Blue and White, and therefore the privilege that awaits us again this weekend. So as both grades approach this week's match, take nothing for granted, be bold and courageous, let us leave nothing on the park and see where we end up. Don't fear failure, fear only that you might come off the ground thinking you could've done more!

And may you be able to draw something from the words of the Professor:

"Surely I do not need to stress the fact that our game uses every gift and quality of the whole human person, including the head to think with rather than to butt a ball. That combines with quickness, strength, courage, instinctive reactions and often breathtaking skill to give us at times a glimpse of perfection so rarely met in human endeavour. Our game is at heart always a contest, not a pretty little form of keepings off. Furthermore its fluidity demands a contest if the whole event is not to degenerate into a series of aimless stops and starts. 'Get on with the footy' used to be the cry at many a game. I would like to hear it more frequently.

I boast, but only slightly, when I say that in the whole history of sporting endeavour, no club has poured scorn and biting invective on the supporters and players of other clubs with greater wit, magnanimous acceptance of defeat and dignified but total lack of restraint in an occasional victory than the supporters (and players), many of them academics, of ANU."

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