



Stand tall

By Greg Oberscheidt

The Anu seniors took on the much fancied Eastlake Demons with the students full of confidence after some stirring recent performances. Again, a raft of changes were necessary as Simmo, Wes, TVW, Dougie, Nossy and the Duke were all unavailable. When you lose your Ruckman, CHB and CHF it's always tough to recover but the return of key players in Spence Whittaker, Cliffy and Hutch gave us options.

Spence was superb as a makeshift ruckman competing well despite giving up height, weight and a cut above the eye. Hutch was strong in defence even after some big beltings around the ground. Cliffy threw himself into every contest and was not beaten for the entire game. Hermy continues to grow in stature as a rebounding defender which allowed AK to dominate through the

middle of the ground and behind the ball.

Big Bish played a great CHF's game kicking a fistful and presenting tirelessly. The brother's Quinn, Ray and Matthew, were in everything and Bucks was a handful in space. Brent Ritchie finally made a comeback after missing 2 months with a severed finger and showed what he can bring to the team (besides heinous chat). Will Bonney showed flashes in his senior return and Frenchy Le Page was gallant despite carrying an injury.

Singles and Sorro ran themselves into the ground off half back and Crawsh and Rawlo defended with starch. Buttsy, Jono Dean and Chasto continue their solid seasons and Groves continues to impress with his grunt and desire. Keiran Harris and Susie Boyle were as fearless as ever in traffic, tackling

ANU	8.2.50
EASTLAKE	20.12.132
BEST	A Kelly, S Bishop, S Whitaker, A Hermann B Ritchie, J Buckley
GOALS	S Bishop 5, A Hermann J Cliff, R Quinn

themselves to a standstill against opponents twice their size.

The end result was a 12 goal loss but the 100 minutes of play showed how close the Griffins are to matching the top sides. 3-4 minute lapses during quarters that cost 2 or 3 goals is really all it is. Our effort and intensity at the contest is outstanding. The decision making has improved and the discipline to not collapse on the contest is getting better week by week.

We'll take plenty out of that effort. Well done boys.

Upcoming games

SENIORS

ANU vs BELCONNEN | 7:15pm Thursday 26 Jun @ Gungahlin

RESERVES

ANU vs MOLONGLO | 2:15pm Sun 29 Jun @ Stirling

WOMENS

ANU vs MOLONGLO | 10am Sun 29 Jun @ Stirling
Molonglo Ladies Day from 12pm, all welcome!

First Grade Duxton Player of the Round

A special shout out goes to TVW (Tim Vickers-Willis) for receiving the Duxton Player of the Round award in AFL Canberra First Grade.

This is a new award introduced by AFL Canberra for the remainder of the season. Keep an eye on the AFL Canberra facebook page to see all winners: <https://www.facebook.com/AFLCanberra>

Courage for breakfast

By James McMillian

The day dawned with a heavy fog over Canberra, however the 18 listed players all showed up eager to play. The fog lifted, and the sun came out, revealing a soggy South Oval. In typical fashion, right from the first bounce our girls showed they weren't going to be a pushover, wearing blue arm bands in honour of the Barwick Memorial and showing that fighting spirit.

The second quarter was a seesawing affair, with our girls holding their own and earning a few inside 50s. Tippy was using the ball well with composure down back and Nads was leading by example with a number of goal saving spoils. E. Lai was laying tackles left right and centre in sadly her last game before she returns home to Canada.

The second half was a further increase in effort, with the catalyst coming from el Capitano, Burgess. A move into the midfield for Amy saw the battle intensify and reward for effort for the midfield pack. A number of inside 50s were the result, however we were unable to make the most of our opportunities. A dashing display and second efforts from Lee Roulstone were a highlight, with her influence down back and in the ruck a result of her hard work over the preceding three months.

Three-quarter time was all up to the girls, they said what needed to be said, rendering my comments unnecessary. The girls finished off strongly, restricting Eastlake to their lowest score against ANU in living memory. A tough day with a sustained, four-quarter effort, against a number of current and former ACT representative players and a former All-Australian meant that the girls could hold their heads high. Next week we face the formidable Molonglo who are also vastly improved, a contest that may indicate the likely grand finalists for this division.

GRIFFIN SOCIAL CALENDAR

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
Planning is underway for 2014 footy trip. Details will be coming your way shortly - you won't want to miss out!

ANU	0.0.1
EASTLAKE	14.16.100
BEST	L Roulstone, K Dellar, C Reynolds, C Roy, A Burgess

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Steve Barwick Memorial Shield

By Kosta Didimiotis

There are few bigger occasions on the ANUAFC calendar than the Steve Barwick Shield, and this year, for the first time, the Reserves had the honour of competing for the coveted trophy. Some unforeseen circumstances forced ANU to play with 21 until halftime, where club stalwart, Simon Tuan, came out of retirement when his club called.

The game started very competitively, with both teams putting their heads over the ball and playing hard footy. Unfortunately, our reward for effort was poor, despite some fantastic work from the midfield and first use from “apparent former Canberra Cannon” John O’Bannon. The back six, led by Chris “The Jet” Smith (self-appointed mentor to Bernie and Egli) and “C-Dot” Mitchell defended tooth and nail; however, they could do little to stem the flow. ANU went into quarter time down 34-0.

The second quarter saw the Magoos fortunes shift. After settling back into the structures discussed prior to the game, the second quarter was again an arm wrestle. Some skilful transition of play through the midfield saw Cannon O’Bannon take a strong grab while resting in the forward line. He took his time and slotted the goal from 40m in an effort that made Rob “Bobby Boucher” Kelly jealous (he claims

his snapping goal against Ainslie was still further out [for the record, Bobby would like to make it known that he reckons himself a lookalike to Patrick Swayze and has decided his new nickname should be “Dirty D” – good luck with that buddy!]).

Tuan made his cameo with 5 to go in the second quarter. He walked to the bench, announced he required no warm up; apparently he has never been in a better physical condition. The comeback tour started; renaming himself Johnny Tuan-ham. However, despite consistent effort across the ground, the two’s went into halftime down 59-7.

The third quarter saw more poor reward for effort, with ANU missing some great opportunities to hit the scoreboard. John “Rubes” Piechowski almost snuck through the goal of the year in an effort from the sideline reminiscent of “Joff” Buchanan’s effort against the bay last year. Not bad for his first kick for ANU.

The final quarter saw a perfect display of coast-to-coast footy, where a crunching tackle by Ben Weise freed the ball in the back pocket, where it was launched up the wing. A series of quick handballs into space and a booming kick had the ball in the forward line so quickly the Eastlake

defence could barely respond in time. A contest saw the ball spill and Arch, doing his best impression of Eddie Betts, swooped onto the loose ball, turned his defender inside out, and snapped over the shoulder for ANU’s second goal. A highlight of the day was from C-Dot, in an uncompromising best-on-ground performance, outnumbered two-to-one, managed to win the ball on the last line of defence to save an almost certain goal. ANU went down 107-16.

It was a courageous effort from the boys, despite being a man down for half the game. The boys never took a backward step, showing the same determination and intent at each play of the ball. Eastlake had polish and finish, but they certainly didn’t have more heart!

ANU 2.4.16
EASTLAKE 16.11.107
BEST C Mitchell, T O’Connor
N Crean, C Smith
N Blandford
GOALS J O’Bannon, N Arch



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