



## **Dingley Dingoes Under 10 Red (East):** **Match Report – 02/5/10**

Dingley 4.4.28 It Beaumaris 5.4.34

Match-of-the-round status was bestowed on this Dingley-Beaumaris clash down amongst the ti-tree at Black-Rock. Last year had seen two titanic struggles between The Dingoes and The Sharks, with the courage of the dingo pack emerging victorious on both of these occasions. After two solid defensive weeks and a new level of confidence, James McLaren was named co-captain for the match. “Specky” Josh Linthorne was also rewarded for his discipline and following of SuperCoach’s instructions, alongside James.

Due to our ever-growing injury list (James Burren’s broken collar-bone) and now Adam Forbes’ mashed finger, we enlisted 4 of the Under 9’s to help us out this week. Big thanks to Laine Bramley, Jordan Dudfield, Philip Hardy-Fenton and Nick Matic for helping us out.

The Sharks won the toss and kicked with the aid of a very slight breeze. They did most of the attacking in the first quarter, but we managed to pinch one with a typical opportunistic goal to the gps, finding his co-ordinates early on. Philip had a great debut across half-back, reading the play well, James Matic settled in to the full-back position, wrestling hard and not giving an inch, Cody was resolute across half-back and Zane was getting his hands to the ball in the ruck and around the ground, while Clancy carried on his great form with some typical terrier work and a great overhead mark. Up by 6 points at the first change.

Beaumaris hit back in the second, scoring two majors to our nil. James Matic continued to impress at full-back with two big-barrel-chested marks while Ky pushed really hard in the middle, fighting fiercely at the bottom of the packs. Liam laid a couple of big bumps and James McLaren desperately saved a goal with a diving touch; he really has read the play well in the early stages of this season. Jake came off second best after a very courageous attempt at a mark, running with the flight of the ball – gutsy effort Jake! Down by 7 points at the half.

The third quarter was a high standard affair. The Dingoes started off with a string of about 5 or 6 handballs, that started with the Tinman and ended up in the hands of Tom, Ky laid a great smother and Liam & Lachie Scott were finding a bit of space across half-forward. Lachie Sinclair charged off the bench and into the forward line and did a couple of excellent things; finishing his efforts with a goal. Cody continued his great start to the season and added a goal in the third also. “Jumpin” Jack had a great second half at full-back, taking a couple of towering marks and running the ball out of the last line. Beauy also scored 2 for the term and we were still 7 points down at the last change.

SuperCoach pleaded for a big effort in the last and the Cockroach started proceedings with a ferocious clearance and handball to the gps to push us into attack. The on-ballers in Cody, Ky, Zane and Tinman ran themselves ragged, the entire team threw themselves at the ball for the entire quarter (Lachie Newman wounded in the process) but we just couldn't bridge the gap. A goal to Liam and then a couple of points got us to within a kick but The Sharks held on.

Despite the loss, it was a great effort from the Dingoes – the skill level probably the best I've seen from the team. A number of strong marks were taken and there were moments of gold with measured passes to teammates in the clear; none better than Lachie Sinclair's last-quarter get in the back pocket, dummy round one opponent and then lovely drop-punt over the top, banging into Tom's chest.

St Peters next week guys; keep up the effort.

**Goals** – Tom, Cody, Lach Sinclair, Liam

**Best Players** – Zane, Jack, James Matic, James McLaren, Liam, Tanner, Ky

**GO DINGOES!!!!!!!!!!**