



Dingley Dingoes Under 10 Red (East): **Match Report Rd 12 – 18/7/10**

Dingley 1.2.8 drew with Mordi-Brae 1.2.8

The mighty young Dingo pups presented on the 18th for a big clash with Mordi-Brae at home. This was an extra special clash as we had our first experience of running through a banner as the smokin' gun in Zane became our first player to reach 50 games. Great Effort Zano! To quote Rex, conditions were shizenhausen (that means not at all conducive to free-flowing football) with a gale-force wind blowing to the South-Eastern pocket. Skippers for the day were our mongrel on-ball brigade in "Killer" Ky and The Tinman. They couldn't call right and we started by pushing up into the wind.

The 50-gamer started in sensational form at CHB, reading the play beautifully as usual and picking up a ton of kicks. The joint-skippers were hard at the clearances, Philip and Jack were very disciplined on the last line and The Terrier was doin' some of his best work at the bottom of the packs. James Mac dished out some shepherds and was captain cool under pressure on a couple of occasions. The Cockroach took a ripper of an overhead mark and was involved in a great passage of playing, running the ball into the wind with Adam and Grant. It was a really disciplined, hard-working quarter from the Dingoes into the wind and it was scoreless at qtr time.

With the aid of the gale in the second, one may have been excused for thinking this was to be the day of The Dingo. It was not to be, the red and whites gritted hard in the second and restricted us to a solitary behind (1 point to nil at the half) as the ball became stuck in the dead pocket for an eternity. Our guys battled hard, but couldn't find any space. Zano went into the ruck and continued to find the footy, Philip took a really strong mark and The Bulldozer in Mitch was providing plenty of drive. The highlight of the quarter was a Zane tap in the back pocket to Tinman, lace out to the Rolls-Royce who hit the chest of Liam on the half-forward line; pretty to watch!

We turned for the third and the wind kept picking up. Again, The Dingoes battled valiantly, allowing the opposition one goal and finishing the quarter 7 points down. We had the majority of the play despite pushing up into the breeze and the ball in our forward 20 for quite some time. The "Lach-Ness Monster" was playing a ripper across half-back, putting his cranium over the ball and crashing into bodies continuously, James Mc and Mitch were cool in defence, GPS was getting into it, Adam took a really strong mark and backed it up with a 30 metre run, while Cameron showed his usual ferocity up forward, applying plenty of "forward-pressure".

One last chance with the wind and SuperCoach pleaded for plenty of run, run, run. Cameron was still hard at it, Zano kept taking grabs, Ky was wheeling onto the left, Jake was chasing and bumping, while The Tinman was busting the gut getting to contests. Despite the efforts, it looked to be all in vain until,

with about 60 seconds to go, the GPS pulled a miracle from the boundary of the dead pocket that sailed and floated and skipped and skidded, straight through the guts to tie the scores up – a huge sigh of relief from the gathered masses.

It certainly wasn't the prettiest game of footy, but it was a gutsy effort from the "never-say-die" Dingoos.

Congratulations to Zano on playing 50 and signing it off by playing a beauty – b.o.g. in my book. And happy trails to Jake and Cody who are about to embark on an o/s trip and miss the last 2 games – have fun guys, thanks for your efforts for the year.

Goals – Tom

Best Players – Zane, Lachie Newman, Ky, Tanner, James McLaren, Adam

GO DINGOES!!!!!!!!!!