



## **Dingley Dingoes Under 10 Red (East):** **Match Report Rd 13 – 25/7/10**

Dingley 10.10.70 d St Kilda City 4.2.26

The last minor round game required the young Dingoes to wake early for an 8.45 game against St Kilda City at Elwood. It was a scene more fitting for the Sunday picnic as a beautiful morning and the beachside setting did have minds wandering. But none of that, this was a big last game and with Liam “The Mailman” Leeson and “Jumpin’ Jack Farrington each playing their 50<sup>th</sup> games, there was big reason to be “up” for this one. The Mailman assumed captaincy for the day and with both The Cockroach and The Rodent absent overseas, we took to the field with only 17 Dingoes.

Zano started in the ruck and took over where he finished last week, reading the play and winning plenty of ball. “Killer” Ky and The Tinman were winning the clearances and the crowd were bought to its feet early with a slick passage of play starting with The Terrier across half-back, onto Tanner, to Jack with a pinpoint pass to Liam, who just missed the big opening. “The Bulldozer” in Mitch was in hard early, stripping the opposition of the ball, the Rolls-Royce and Adam were sharing the ball well, while Grant and Josh both effected a ripper smother each. Goals to Adam, Tom and a strong overhead mark and goal in the square to The Mailman saw us 25 points up at quarter time.

More of the same in the second. The Lach-Ness monster was at his uncompromising best across half-back, adding some poise under pressure to his normal dogged approach, while Jumpin Jack was roaming the half-forward line and dishing out passes at will. Grant made a couple of good intercepts and drove the ball forward from his wing, Specky Linthorne made a couple of great takes and handballs and Liam applied a courageous smother. Highlight of the quarter was the Zano snap goal after an exchange of handballs from Mitch and Josh. 6.8 to nil at half-time.

SuperCoach mixed it up a bit in the third and the bustling James “Auto” Matic was given a gig in the ruck, and didn’t let the team down, charging at the ball around the ground. GPS found Adam in space with a lovely pass for a goal, ‘wil-o-the-wisp’ in Lachie Sinclair was enjoying a run on the ball, Grant won possession against 3 opponents, Ky made a number of runs through the corridor and the Rolls-Royce was presenting the ball on a platter, as he does. The highlight in this quarter though, was the number of unselfish, team-oriented acts. Shepherds from Tom, Clancy, Mitchell and Cam, a number of little taps out of packs to team-mates and the passage from deep in the pocket from Tinman to Jumpin’ Jack to the GPS for a goal, were all gold. 50 points up at the last break.

Jumpin’ Jack went into the ruck in the last and won a truckload of hit-outs, Grant won more contested possessions before departing at the 5 minute mark and the Dingoes continued to share the ball well. Jimmy Mac fought back after

a big smack in the head in the first quarter and played a great last quarter in defence, repeatedly pushing to the front of the packs. However, the “piece de resistance” was the Mark of the Year contender from “Auto” Matic, soaring high across half-back to pull in a beauty and rival Jumpin’ Jack’s one-hander from a couple of weeks back.

Victory by 44 points in a game where every player contributed, the boys really combined well as a team and supported each other. Off to the Lightning Premiership next week boys and if we see more of those desperate ball-winning acts and unselfish plays, we should be in for a good day!!

**Goals** – Tom 4, Adam 2, Liam 2, Lach Scott, Zane

**Best Players** – Grant, Jack, Adam, James Matic, Cameron, Josh

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