





WYOMING 35DS CHRONICLES

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GAME #8 (ROUND 9)

	HOME		AWAY		GROUND	DATE	TIME
2	 KARIONG	vs	 WYOMING	1	Kariong Oval 1 (Wyoming)	June 27	15:00

After sixth straight victories, the winning streak ended today. On the ladder it may have been 1st vs 8th but such divide meant nothing today on the battlefield of Kariong Oval. The Tigers endured another poor start and the Cougars capitalised snapping up two early goals. Wyoming dominated proceedings and whilst a second-half penalty gave them some hope it was a sad tale of too little too late for the Tigers to salvage a point. Whilst other results may have kept Wyoming in the top position it did little to prevent poor Luca from sulking on facebook that evening ...



THE BLAME GAME

So where did it go wrong? Had someone shrugged off their superstitions and done something out of the norm? Had Luca not taken Ziggy to Alan Davo that morning and provided a match report? As if "Absolute cactus" was his declaration to Andy down the line at dawn, unaware that we weren't actually playing at Wyoming ... Andy didn't dare shave his beard (though that could be due to laziness) ... Dean assured us he was wearing his underwear the normal way ... Meady had not bought yet another new pair of socks and boots, sticking to (because he hadn't washed them), the same "lucky and undefeated" pairs he'd been wearing since Game #2 ... Stevie G kept the knee brace tucked away in his bag, out of sight ... Dave did not forget the headgear before running onto the field ... and Mark hadn't changed his regular pattern of three hours of sleep before a game. Everything here seemed in check ... The next theory -- had there been a monumental shift in the playing squad? ... Was Tony the goalkeeper again? Hell no!! ... Had Framey finally turned up and changed the formation? -- Nope, we're still waiting for the messiah to return from the ethos with his diamond-studded boots ... Then there was the realisation that's there's only three players in our team (all charmed by missing Round 1) who have only tasted victory this season ... were any of them absent? Nope, Flanno, Adrian & Dave all put on the boots today - losers !!... What happened? Did Jason revert back to scoring own goals -- thankfully not!

I could cling to excuses, that the wash-out last weekend meant a lack of training - haha, yeah right ... I could use the cliché - it was the loss we needed to have ... or I could blame the two most obvious culprits that crippled our three current leading goalscorers during the lead-up, they being:

- (1) Aden Omar for recruiting Paul into Third grade last weekend for which our star striker suffered a rib/heartlige injury;



- (2) One of the most volatile, ghastly and hideous sicknesses that mankind has ever known struck mid-week. Whilst Andy was afflicted, he did manage to play but for Chris, the dreaded man-flu kept him bed-ridden ...

Ultimately though, the true reason why we didn't win today --- our jerseys were taken to a different household after our last game and were washed without the love and supervision of Lady Lavender !! This alarming revelation has struck fear and anxiety (gees, I hope Luca isn't reading this) into what happens during the finals in August when the Singleton family venture off to Alaska for a couple of weeks ... Luca, if you are reading this, breath brother and have a sip of wine, I have a solution ... Yes, Singo was ill advised by Flanno that the Grand Final wouldn't be till September so he'd be right to go on holidays beforehand ... as it stands, the GF is August 29, four days before they return!! Yes I know, it's too early to be talking about finals but what if we do make it, what then?? Okay Luca, we good? Your mission is this: find the Singleton passports, have them shredded, and feed them to Ziggy !!!





A BRACE OF DISGRACE

Okay, I'll get to the game if I must but the less said the better. The first twenty minutes eerily echoed Round #1 -- two goals conceded early due to miscommunication and confusion at the back !! And like last time, where was Meady during these moments? When the first goal was struck, he was warming the bench; the second, playing up front - just like that first game !! -- when will we ever learn ? Yes I'm blaming Meady !! And no, it's not because I'm bitter about the text he sent me the night before that fooled me into thinking Paul had cracked his ribs and was out for the season !! That has everything, um nothing, to do with this !! ... I learnt later that Aaron was sitting next to Meady when that taunting text was sent. The two of them being chronic sufferers of soft-rib-itis, they should know better !! And then there's Flanno, he was with them too ... and he organised this starting line-up ! Tsk tsk.



RE-BUILDING THE FORT

With this positional anomaly repaired, the Tigers had to lick their wounds and get on with it. Kariong's ensuing attacking chances were few and far between, our backs matching the pace of their speedy forwards and doing enough to put them off.



MEADY demands no more goals be conceded / MARKY makes a flying leap.



STEVIE G about to be fouled / Showing why he is the leading pointscorer in Lady Lavender's Laundry Woes.



AARON pulls off more great saves.



MEADY blocks the way / GREGG lets one rip to thwart his opposition

SHOTS APLENTY

For Wyoming, it was a scrappy game full of failed opportunities, whining opponents and near misses. There were plenty of shots: Adrian got a few in, the closest hitting the side netting after some nice set-up work by Luca; One of Andy's shots cruised just over the crossbar, another curled just wide of the upright; When he wasn't being dragged off the bench kicking and screaming, Tony took a punt here and there. He, Meady and Dave also had a good go with their respective noggins. Gregg put some great through-balls down the line and into the goalmouth in the first half ... but did f-all in the second (possibly this was due to him leaving at half-time to go to work).



ADRIAN goes for the long shot / Hits the side netting in a later attempt.



STEVIE G crosses for a TONY header.



A narrow miss for ANDY.



DAVE & MEADY putting their heads into it.



HOW'S THAT ???

The early deficit undoubtedly put more pressure on the afflicted Paul to get onto the field and have more game time than he nor anyone expected. The last thing we expected him to be doing was taking a throw-in. But there he went, throwing it towards the opposition's goal line for Andy to run onto. He heard the call from Meady - inside the 18-yard box - and sent it his way. Meady fudged his attempt to trap it but in the ensuing scramble a Kariong player tripped on the ball and handballed it in the process. Meady yelled out his best "slips" appeal and the referee agreed, penalty!! After their futile cries died down, the Kariong players advised their keeper, "he's a left footer, you know where it's heading, bottom right". Who was Paul to argue. Did the keeper follow the instructions? Nope! "The other right buddy!" Paul put it into the net exactly where they said he would. 30 minutes still remained but as hard as they tried, it wasn't the Tigers day. Mark though was a voice of optimism at game's end pointing out we started the first half of the season with a loss, and here we were with a loss to start the second. So that means the next six games are all victories right Mark ... Mark?? You better be right Mark, for Luca's sake and sanity, you better be right !!!



Sharpshooter PAUL closes the gap.



A minute's silence for the passing of TONY's grandfather.



WEEK 9 WRAP-UP

In Week 7, Umina nudged out Gosford; Wyoming were too good for Kariong; and Kincumber upset Avoca. Two games later, all three results were reversed (East Gosford and Terrigal have their 2nd encounter next weekend). Gosford's convincing win over Umina sees them climb to equal 1st); East Gosford's big win finds them back into the Top 4, Avoca though are close on their heels. Kariong's 2nd win of the season has them out of last spot.



GOAL SCORING TALLY

- Paul - 6
 - Andy, Chris - 3
 - Adrian, Brad, Luca, Meady, Tony - 1
- (We have an additional two goals in our tally due to forfeit win)

GOAL ASSISTS

- Paul - 6
- Andy - 4
- Meady - 3
- Aaron, Adrian, Luca, Tony - 1



LADY LAVENDER'S LAUNDRY WOES

- #15 (Stevie G) - 3pts
- #4 (Mark) - 2pts
- #9 (Luca) - 1pt **

**** Shirt Inside Out infringement warning !!**

TOTAL POINTSCORE

- Stevie G - 10
- Mark - 8
- Luca - 4
- Aaron, Gregg, Meady, Paul - 3
- Jason - 2
- Brad, George - 1

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO
JORDANNA & SHARON !!**



**Cya
Saturday!!**



WEEK 9 (ROUND 10)							
	HOME		AWAY		GROUND	DATE	TIME
0	UMINA	vs	GOSFORD	3	Umina Oval 2 (Umina)	June 27	12:30
2	KARIONG	vs	WYOMING	1	Kariong Oval 1 (Kariong)	June 27	15:00
4	AVOCA	vs	KINCUMBER	0	Erina High School 1 (Erina)	June 27	15:00
1	TERRIGAL	vs	EAST GOSFORD	6	Ourimbah Oval 2 (Ourimbah)	June 27	15:10

CENTRAL COAST - 35DS									
WEEK 9									
		P	W	D	L	F	A	PTS	Differentials
1st		8	6	0	2	19	7	18	12
2nd		8	6	0	2	21	12	18	9
3rd		9	5	1	3	20	16	16	4
4th		8	3	3	2	21	14	12	7
5th		9	3	2	4	13	10	11	3
6th		8	3	0	5	16	19	9	-3
7th		9	2	2	5	12	24	8	-12
8th		9	2	0	7	9	29	6	-20

WEEK 10 PREVIEW

Only two games this weekend as four teams play catch-ups. Terrigal will be hoping for a reverse score of the 6-1 thrashing they received last weekend to East Gosford as they take them on again. Wyoming and Gosford meet for the first time this season. Both locked on 18 points, fighting for top spot.

WEEK 10 (ROUNDS 3 & 6)							
	HOME		AWAY		GROUND	DATE	TIME
	EAST GOSFORD	vs	TERRIGAL		Hylton Moore Oval 1 (East Gosford)	July 4	13:30
	WYOMING	vs	GOSFORD		Alan Davidson Oval 1 (Wyoming)	July 4	13:30

**LAST WEEKEND'S WASHED-OUT ROUND 9
HAS BEEN MOVED TO AUGUST 8**