

Port vs Lions Round 14, 2014.

Looking for win our 3rd win in a row we were ready for the challenge. Training had been good all week with plenty of numbers. There were to be some changes due to injury but no real structural changes.

Players were ready to go in the first quarter and we were running, using each other and hitting targets. This resulted in smooth transition from defensive to offensive and the boys were putting the score on the board. We should have been further in front but would take the lead.

The second quarter was very different from the first as we lost our desire for the ball and were attacking from behind. Lions started to use their run and were capitalised from our turnovers. It was very disappointing to go into half time behind.

We made some structural changes with Tim Byerlee to Centre half forward and Brad Inglis on the ball with Terry Hall.

The third quarter and for that the rest of the game we were chasing jumpers and could not get into our rhythm. Credit goes to Lions for the ability to work for each other and it showcases how far we have still got to go to be a competitive top 4 team. The end result does not show how far we have come and after the game I could see the boys disappointed which is a positive for me as they are starting to care about winning and losing.

Notes to take out of the game :

- Need 2 more players to be a top 4 team

- 4 quarters

- Game plan is there - needs more work

Players of Note

Tim Byerlee - need 2 of him

Shannon Snook - had lots of possessions but got caught holding the ball too many times

Henry Whiting - just keeps working hard

Sam Clarke - becoming an important player for us

Tyler Athanous - very creative player.

Next week we play Sollies with the importance on playing our way!!