

Port vs Centrals July 18th at Port Pirie (Round 11)

Port – 13.8=86

Centrals – 10.9=69

Round 11 and we were making our own destiny and need to keep winning games of footy. Easy to say but the boys still need to be consistent and work together as a team. Today's game was an early start due to the double header and it was playing for a clear second spot. We made it a finals type match as I wanted to test some of the players in that sort of condition.

The first quarter we were slow off the mark and were not backing each other up. The team emphasis had gone out the window and we struggled to hold their run. We were lucky to be only to be a goal down.

The second quarter we played the footy we know and started running with ball, switching play and hitting targets. Nelson Magor was unstoppable in ruck and giving the likes of Brad Inglis and Izzy Connor the first use of the ball. To kick 6 goals to 3 was pleasing.

The third again we had total control of the play and kicked 4 goals to 1. Tim Bylerree, Henry Whiting and Greg Phillips were controlling the backline and McKenzie Keane and Ethan Finlay were strong on the wings. Brett Woodards stepped up and kicked 3 in the quarter.

The last quarter was indifferent for 2 reasons. We were outscored which we need to work as we should be beating these teams by more with the control of play. Central's ruckman played some low acts with knees to the back which we did not stand for but it took our minds off the play. Needs to be balance and again the umpires lack the control to take charge and protect our young footballers.

Things that we took from this game include:

- We are now sitting second. Top spot on offer next week.
- Play our style of footy and no one will get near us.

- The better players for the day included Nelson Magor in ruck, Brad Inglis with 4 goals, Mackenzie Keane on the wing, Tim Byerlee down back and Izzy Connor on ball.

Looking forward to us continuing to win and cement our spot.

Cheers

Coco.