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# THE GROWL

THE OFFICIAL NIGHTCLIFF CRICKET CLUB NEWSLETTER

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**“READY TO CUT LOOSE!”**

MORE TESTIMONIALS!

*“I laughed!”*

**The Joker**

*“I cried!”*

**Kim Hughes**

*“I hurled!”*

**R.Wheatley**

*“Moving read, choked us right up”*

**PINTS CC**

*“Caesar salad is probably my all-time favourite...”* **Leon de Marinis**

## THE PREZ SAYS...

Well how about those Tigers! Congratulations to our mighty Tigers for **winning the Twenty-20 World (of Darwin) Cup** against PINTS in a dazzling display of cricket all (May Day) weekend. Super effort that. **James De Terte, Jezza Kuru, Robbie Wheatley...delicious!**

It was also *fantastic* to see our Under 17s playing a 'scratch' Twenty-20 game against TV Dinners at Mararra at the same time as the T-20 Final, which also went the Tigers' way with **James Tate** (younger brother of the more famous **Alexander the Tate**) holding his nerve in the last overs to steer the Tiger cubs home in a real **Michael Jackson** Thriller!

So it is really starting to feel like the Dry season is descending upon us, cooler weather, a plethora of dragonflies sighted around Nightcliff Oval and surrounds (Nature's official opening of the Dry!), Hawks still losing, Mindil Beach Markets, all the key ingredients are there!

Thanks to **Paula Mitchell** and (I gotta have) **Faith Krepapas** for all their sterling work in organising the **NCC Fancy Dress** party at the Sports Club, with behind the scenes assistance from **Ben Mitchell** and **Robert Saunders**, it was a fantastic night for all comers, with some great costumes and magnificent heart felt efforts on the Karaoke machine, including from that crooner Saunders (the Karaoke King) and my good self!

We are in the process of **fixing up the Training nets**, having new matting laid down in nets 2,3 & 4 as soon as possible, so please be patient there. Also please remember that *In2Cricket* (formerly Milo cricket) is now up and running on **Fridays at 5.30pm at Nightcliff Oval**, which is a great chance for you to come and get involved with the upcoming kids of Nightcliff cricket, share a drink and a sausage at the Donga and catch up with others around the Club.

Onwards and upwards Tigers and keep left. *Grrrrr babies!*

**Alex Krepapas**  
**NCC President**



**NCC All rounder James de Terte** – “*geez, hope my @rse looks that good in these new OD rigs!*”

## UPCOMING DRAW & DATES –MAY/JUNE 2010

### A GRADE:

Saturday, 15 May 2010: vs **PINTS of Beer** at MARARRA No.1  
 Saturday, 22 May 2010: **BYE BYE (MISS AMERICA PIE...)**  
 Saturday, 29 May 2010: vs **PALMERSTON** at MARARRA No.1  
**Sunday, 30 May 2010.....ONE DAY FINAL (If the Tigers can claw their way into it!)**  
 Sat 5 & 12 June 2010 vs **TAH-TAHS** at GARDENS (**NORM YEEND CUP**)

### B GRADE:

Saturday, 15 May 2010: vs **PINTS of Lemonade** at THE DEN  
 Saturday, 22 May 2010: **BYE BYE (MISS AMERICA PIE...)**  
 Saturday, 29 May 2010: vs **PALMERSTON** at WOODROFFE  
 Sat 5 & 12 June 2010 vs **TAH-TAHS** at THE DEN (**NORM YEEND CUP**)

### C GRADE:

Saturday 15 May 2010: vs **PINTS DRAVIDIANS** at MARARRA 2 (Act II of 1<sup>st</sup> 2-day game)  
 Sat 22 & 29 May 2010 vs **TAH-TAHS** at THE DEN (part of **NORM YEEND CUP**)  
 Sat 5 & 12 June 2010 vs **PINTS VB GOLD** at the windswept plains of WANGURI

### D GRADE:

Sunday, 16 May 2010: vs **TV DINNERS** at THE DEN  
 Sunday, 23 May 2010: vs **SOUTHERN COMFORTS** at THE DEN  
 Sunday, 30 May 2010: vs **PALMERSTON MAROONED** at WOODROFFE  
 Sunday, 6 June 2010: vs **PALMERSTON (BARRY) WHITE** at THE DEN  
 Sunday, 27 June 2010: vs **TAH-TAHS (CAMERON) WHITE** at THE DEN

### E GRADE:

Sunday, 16 May 2010: vs **TAH-TAHS** at the windswept plains of WANGURI  
 Sunday, 23 May 2010: vs **PALMERSON (SMOKING) GUNN** at PALMY HIGH SCHOOL  
 Sunday, 30 May 2010: vs **SOUTHERN COMFORTS** at THE DEN  
 Sunday, 6 June 2010: vs **(CHARLES) DARWIN** at KAHLIN OVAL  
 Sunday, 27 June 2010: vs **UNICYCLES** at the Institute of higher education (**UNIVERSITY**)



- SATURDAY, 24 JULY 2010** from 7.00pm – **NCC ANNUAL QUIZ NIGHT!** at the **NIGHTCLIFFSPORTS CLUB**. Teams of six, further details to be announced but there will be truck loads of prizes and a staggering amount of fun to be had!
- NCC 2010 FEES:** \$240.00 if paid by **15 May 2010** (otherwise \$270) includes a One Day playing shirt, Club cap & Membership with the Nightcliff Sports Club.

## ITALIAN “FALL GUY” ADMITS DIVE!

Well it is **official folks!** Italian soccer player and part-time Actress **Fabio Grosso** admitted publicly recently that he might have taken a dive to win a penalty in Italy’s World Cup match against Australia back in 2006.

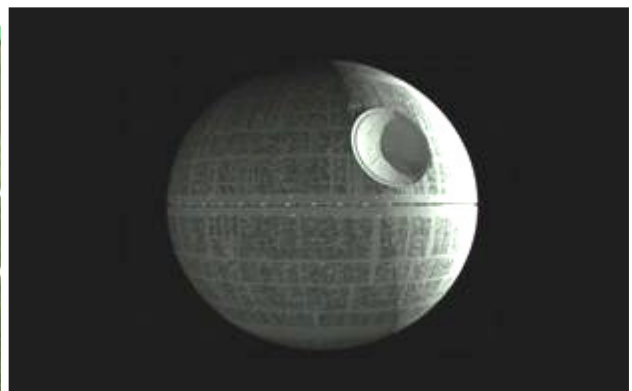
“*It’s been a long time since 2006 but I say this with as much sincerity as I possibly can,*” (quite a disclaimer!) **Grosso** recently told soccer mag ‘*Football+*’, in between quaffing more Tuscan wine poured into a hollowed replica of the World Cup itself, “*In this instance when Neill slid in, maybe I accentuated it a little bit.*”

Hmm, excuse us for not being too shocked by this latest revelation Fabio! They say time heals all wounds...well maybe Australia just requires a little more time to process the incident – like another **25 years and/or perhaps winning a soccer World Cup**, whichever occurs later. Incidentally, feel free to take a little self-test by logging onto **youtube.com** and search for “**Australia vs Italy World Cup**” for a replay of the incident and please gauge your temperature and heart rate before and immediately after the replay.

But anyway, we are looking onwards and upwards to the 2010 soccer World Cup in South Africa now, where we are chuffed to confirm we will now have an **exclusive on-site Growl Reporter at all Australia’s games**. So may the “magical experience” that was Australia’s 2006 World Cup (*that disappeared in a puff of smoke when Grosso dramatically fell to the Earth as if shot*) flow seamlessly on into Australia’s 2010 campaign!

### FURTHER ADMISSIONS MADE BY SPORTSMEN SINCE GROSSO’S REVELATION...

1. Brisbane Lions’ **Brendon Fevola** publicly admits he has a gambling problem...and also that he’s an epically obnoxious bogan idiot who should not be allowed out in public.
2. **OJ Simpson** admits he could have probably handled his break-up with deceased ex-girlfriend **Nicole Brown Simpson** a little better!
3. Nightcliff CC C-Grade skipper **Alexander the Tate** admits that he could work on his batting ...
4. NCC All-Rounder **Anthony Snell** confesses that he might have to explore ways to actually disguise his leg-spinning slower ball.
5. An anonymous **Tracy Village CC** former player admits on record for the first time that his club is *in fact* making Evil plans of World Domination (and is building an Army of NTIS contracted players) and that **TV Dinners** *do actually own a fully operational Death Star!*



**Left - Soccerroo Defender Lucas Neill** pleading to Medics to assist **Grosso**, after he went down as if capped by a sniper very late in their 2006 World Cup match. **Right** – TV’s glistening Death Star...we *knew* it!

**“THEY SAID IT” - QUOTABLE QUOTES**

<p>“...Well, he never gets <i>me</i> out.”</p>	<p>4-year-old <b>Brendon Hatton’s</b> nonchalant comment whilst standing in the playground after being told his daddy <b>Marky-Mark Hatton</b> was in the process of clinically dissecting Darwin’s top and middle order like a Year 7 Biology project to add to his ‘Michelle’ against Tah-Tahs in Round 1.</p>
<p>“Ah France, the city of love!”</p>	<p>Another geographic ‘<b>FAIL</b>’ AT Tigerland...this time for NCC President <b>Alexandros Krepapas</b> discussing Nightcliff legend <b>John Tate’s</b> Euro-gliding plans to travel to <b>Paris</b> (amongst other places) in 2010 for a few weeks’ well-earned holiday.</p>
<p>“However much he was paying for sex whilst he was married, he’s going to be paying a hell of a lot more for it soon!”</p>	<p>A keen legal observer regarding serial hound dog <b>Tiger Woods</b>, rumoured to be divorcing from his jilted wife <b>Elin Nordegren</b>, after having coughed up about \$US70,000 bringing sexy back (to his hotel rooms) in his recent past when they were together.</p> <div data-bbox="940 837 1278 1059" data-label="Image"> </div> <p><b>Tiger Woods...</b>trouble is definitely in the air!</p>
<p>“Can you buy yourself?”</p>	<p>Nightcliff Life Member and cricketing legend <b>Jason Hatton</b> in an on-field pondering about the <b>NCC 2010 Player Auction</b> – a fair indication he intends to be playing a bit of cricket in 2010!</p>
<p>“I felt the contact so I went down”</p>	<p>Italian soccer/stage-diver <b>Fabio Grosso</b> finally came clean to admit he did his best <b>Greg Louganis</b> impression to milk a penalty against Australia, which decided their Round of 16 Game at the 2006 World Cup. Good luck for 2010 World Cup Fabio, <i>break a leg!</i> Hope you get eaten by a lion!</p>
<p>“I would rather let dead dogs lie.”</p>	<p>This brutal pearl from former jailhouse rocker <b>Carl Williams’</b> anti-friend <b>Mick Gatto</b>, who had not been crying in his cornflakes since <b>Williams’</b> brutal death at the hands of a (trusted) inmate of Acacia Prison recently. For those keeping a running score, this has been dubbed ‘Gangland’ death #30.</p>
<p>“The President’s been hit, THE PRESIDENT’S BEEN HIT!”</p>	<p>No, not a scene from <b>JFK</b> - this frantic call was made on the <b>NCC bus trip back from Jabiru</b> after an errant piece of ice made contact with the noggin of NCC President <b>Alex Krepapas</b> on a happy trip back after the D-Graders’ 7-wicket win in Round 1. No arrests were made, but a rather sheepish Kiwi all-rounder was quickly taken into protective custody and the attempted Assassination charge was downgraded to a grade-two icing!</p>

**CONGRATULATIONS TO THE NIGHTCLIFF TIGERS' A-GRADE TEAM FOR WINNING THE WORLD (OF DARWIN) TWENTY-20 GRAND FINAL!**



**SONG OF MEDIOCRITY  
 (ODE TO RICHMOND FC)**

*If you're crappy and you know it,  
 Clap your hands! \*clap clap\*  
 If you're crappy and you know it,  
 Clap your hands! \*clap clap\*  
 If you're crappy and you know it,  
 And you knew your team would blow it,  
 If you're crappy and you know it,  
 Clap your hands! \*clap clap\*  
 (You've done well just to stay up in the stands!) \*crap crap!\**



**Ben Cousins (left)** once thought actually being *banned* from the AFL was the ultimate fall from grace!

## PLAYER PROFILE – MARC CALKIN

The “*Incredible Calk*” first came to Nightcliff from Hawkes’ Bay in New Zealand in the 2009 Season with his beautiful family, wife Nerissa and daughter Madison and fell in love with the place. ‘Calky’ then went about absolutely dismantling the DDCA competition single-handedly, as whilst the Tigers slumped to their first Wooden Spoon for the Millennium, he not only took out the **NCC Cricketer of the Year**, he romped home to win the **Association Cricketer of the Year**, the One Day Cricketer of the Year, Fielder of the Year and made the 2009 *NT Cricket* Team of the Year. Not a bad introductory season at all really (!) and now he’s back for another crack in 2010, lock, stock and *all* barrels smoking!

**FULL NAME:** Marc Calkin.

**FIRST CRICKETING MEMORY:** Playing backyard with the kids from the “block”.

**GREATEST/FAVOURITE PERSONAL SPORTING MEMORY?** First time I made the Men’s NZ Indoor Cricket Team and travelled to South Africa for the world cup. Awesome bro.

**FAVOURITE FOOD (OTHER THEN CHIPS & GRAVY)?** *More* chips & gravy! Okay, maybe a roast, bro.

**FAVOURITE DRINK?** Coke (of the cola variety) and B.E.E.R.S!

**MOST ADMIRER SPORTSMAN (& WHY?)?** **Michael Jordan**. He simply dominated his sport.

**IF IT WASN’T THE LUSCIOUS NERISSA FOR YOU...JESSICA ALBA OR JENNIFER HAWKINS?** Geez bro, **Jessica Alba** I’d say – if she were a pizza, she’d be one with the lot!

**5 PEOPLE YOU’D LIKE TO BE STRANDED ON A TROPICAL ISLAND WITH FOR A MONTH (FULL BAR FACILITIES)** The beautiful Mrs...**Jessica Alba**, the bar tender, the waitress and the masseur. Everyone gets a rub if you come on down to Calky-Town!

**COMPLETE THIS SENTENCE...“I COULD NOT LIVE WITHOUT...”** The beautiful wife, she just sorts all my sh\*t out, bro. She...*completes* me \*snif\*



**Marc Calkin** (front row, 2<sup>nd</sup> from right) – certainly one Bro who will always put on quite a show!

**DUCKWORTH & LEWIS DEFEND CRICKET FORMULA!**

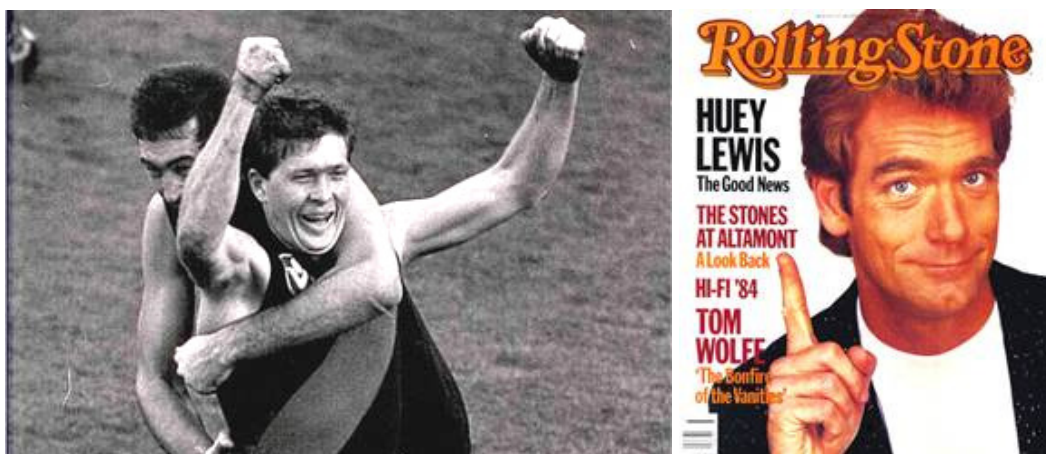
Whilst *certainly* not the first man or men to cop a **Collingwood spray** – ask any VFL/AFL player who played footy at **Victoria Park** – old Essendon VFL hard man **Billy Duckworth** has come out in defence of his **Duckworth/Lewis formula** after English captain **Paul Collingwood** had a good old cry after the Poms were seemingly (in his view) mathematically shafted at the T-20 World Cup in the Carribbean.

In their T-20 game against hosts the Windies, the Poms bludgeoned a sound 191 off 20 overs, before rain intervened and reduced the target to 60 runs off 6 overs (or 30 runs off 22 balls upon the resumption), with ten wickets in hand. The Windies then won with a ball to spare.

So whats' all the fuss about? The Poms got rogered lawfully, what could be sweeter? Well after the **Collingwood whinge** (how often have *these* words been typed together?) **Duckworth** has predictably come out swinging in defence of the his Formula. "*Why doesn't he just pour himself a cup of concrete and harden the f\*ck up!*" Duckworth retorted, offering the English skipper up for a bout in the ring (or in Mitchell Street at 3am) to settle the matter.

Duckworth (and others) say the rules as to what constitutes a completed game in T-20 cricket perhaps are the issue. At present, only 5 overs of the second innings of a T-20 international must be played in order for a winner to be declared. Duckworth apparently told The Wisden Cricketer, "*The fricken ICC ought to fricken look into whether 5 overs for a valid match is fricken appropriate because perhaps you can get this apparent fricken distortion.*" Duckworth also referred to the 8 wides the Poms had bowled before the rains came, which did not help their cause.

Duckworth also said that of the **70 matches** determined by use of his Formula in International T-20 cricket since 2002 to set or revise a target, only two of them had ever been 'whinged' about...*both* times by **Paul Collingwood!** "*Suck ostrich eggs Collingwood, I hope your sh\*t side gets totally flogged by everyone*" Duckworth muttered as he left the Media interview.



**Billy Duckworth** (left) and songster **Huey Lewis** (R)... defending their kooky cricket formula with much gusto!



## AROUND TIGERLAND

### GRADE REPORTS

#### A-GRADE

The boys currently sit atop of the DDCA Ladder, with a 3-1 record after 4 games, with tight one-day games against **PINTS of Beer** and **Palmerston** to come, which the lads will need to win if they are to play in the One Day Final.

The A-Team kicked off their season with an absolute **Tah-ing and feathering** of last year's competition Premiers by 7 wickets to take out the inaugural "**Saunders-Aldam Cup**". After Tah-Tahs had begun solidly, their innings begun to deteriorate before their very minds and they were rolled like a joint at a Jamaican tea party for 140. The demolition men for the Tigers were legend **Mark Hatton**, who spun an absolute web of deception to card 5-18 and 2009 Cricketer of the Year Silver Medalist **Sean Kenny**, who chimed in like Big Ben at Midday to claim 3 scalps in a devastating tandem demolition job.

After losing a few early wickets, a few local boys combined excellently in a hundred run partnership to lead the charge and guide the Tigers home like **E.T.** **James de Terte** showed he had certainly brought his solid NZ form back over in his hand luggage with a sublime 56, whilst **Tommy Foley** stepped up like an Aerobics Instructor on Acid with a well compiled and unbeaten 58. All in all it was a very welcome return to form for the Tigers to launch into the 2010 season.

Since then the boys have decimated **Darwin** at the Den (with **Marky-Mark Hatton** leading the Funky Bunch by snaring another 4 wickets), but then fell short in their attempt to devour the **TV Dinners** on their day trip to the Death Star. The Tigers then smashed **Southern Comforts** by 100 runs, with some (**Jono**) **Devine intervention** in the form of 71 runs to assist **James de Terte** (another stylish 57) and **Marky-Mark Hatton** (30 not out) post a 200+ score after early wickets fell.

Oh and they kicked the living suitcase out of all comers to win the **Twenty-20 World (of Darwin) Cup**, ably led by **James de Terte**, **Robbie Wheatley** and **Jeremy Kuru**.

#### B-GRADE

**Josh Smith's** B-52s recorded their first victory in emphatic style down the track against Southern & Drys by belting the living sherbet out of them by 10 wickets. Coach **Nigel Couzens** decided to put on an early clinic for the Southerners with the ball, leading the attack by snaring 4 wickets, before the **Skipper himself** and opening comrade **Ritchie Freijah** set up a day camp on the Fred's Pass wicket and both posted unbeaten 50s and put this baby to bed!

This win leaves the Tigers mid-table with one win and one draw from 4 games, with the top-4 still in their sights and a little bit of work still to do. Batting is the key with this mob and spending quality time in the middle building partnerships and these lads should be right in the thick of it when the whips really start a'cracking later on in the season.

## C-GRADE

**Tatie's Talismen** find themselves in a very winnable position half-way through their first two-day game, poised on 4-64 chasing the **PINTS Dravidians** grinding 104 off 51 overs in their first innings. Andrew "*Hospital*" Ward claimed two scalps, as did song man **Brion Foley** (along with a Golden Globe award with the bat!), with **Singh** (0-6 off 10 overs, with 4 wides) **Justin Langer** clone **Haydn Whitty** (2-17), **Kroes** (1-17) and **Sunny Singh** (a Sixpence?)(3/2) providing able support.

**Matty "Smooth Operator" Neave** (27 not out) has anchored the chase, ably supported by **Xavier Tras** (20 odd so far) and hopefully both can improve their tallies in the second week! The game is well poised for a Tigers' win after week one saw an epic arm-wrestle, after an amazing **David Copperfield** performance from the Dravidians, who not only made at least two players totally disappear from their team sheet submitted at the start of the game, but pulled a rabbit out of their...hat...in the form of the Good Doctor **Rohit Pratap**, who had a few weeks earlier actually played *against* the Dravidians' D-Grade side for the Mighty Tigers! It will be fascinating to see who turns up for week two, particularly now **India** is out of the World Twenty-20 Cup!

## D-GRADE

Yep, they're winning (sitting atop of the ladder with a **4-0** record) and they're singing!



Great to see some old and new faces in the D-Generates in 2010, with beserk warriors **Brad Hatton** and **Jason Hatton** saddling up for the odd game, whilst a few new faces have joined their ranks for the ride, including action-man **Andy "007" Moore**, who is fast becoming a cult-figure around the place, with some almighty sixes and some excellent competitive cricket.

## E-GRADE

The E-Streets have a win (with one tie/no result) in the kit bag after 4 rounds, with a last-round loss against the Palmerston Cheeses at the Den. After skipper **G-Train Tribe** lost the toss the Tigers were asked to field and contained the **Mrs Palmers'** to 2-72 at the turn (20 overs), before some lusty hitting got them to 215 all-out. **G-Train** and **Sean Parady** took 2 scalps each. The Es fell short of the ultimate target, but achieved their pre-game objective of batting out the innings, posting 6/149, with "*Special K*" **Kenneth Kardigamir** continuing his super early season batting form (30) with the '*Singing Chef*' **Leon De Marinis** blazing 25 runs. **Ben Vaughan** and **Sean Parady** (in a solid all-round effort) both made 20s to ensure the 40 overs on offer were all utilised.

**DRESSED FOR SUCCESS!**

The Nightcliff Cricket Club Fancy Dress (+ Karaoke) Party held on 8 May 2010 at the Nightcliff Sports Club was a tremendous success – thanks largely to the organizational prowess of Paula Mitchell and Faith Krepapas (with behind the scenes assistance from Ben Mitchell and Bob Saunders) and the merry participation of many clever Tigers in a kaleidoscope of costumes!



The Whole Gang (left) - and (right) Ben Mitchell is considering a Supreme Court challenge after missing out on a Prize!

Best Dressed Male: **John Tate (front)**, who had a devilishly fine evening.

Best Dressed Female: **Melissa Wood (centre, front-ish)** – Ms Tommy Foley...

Surrealist Award: **Maximilian Tippett**, who actually came as **Smurf** (front row)!

The ‘Tom Jones’ Award: The Golden Greek with the golden tonsils, **Alexandros Krepapas**, narrowly from smooth operator and professional crooner **Robert ‘Moonlight Shadow’ Saunders**.



Messrs M.Hatton & Fryar nerding it right up (Left), ‘Celebrity Head’ (Middle) and the “Pat Cash Challenge!”

**ODD SOCKS****THE NCC COMMITTEE FINANCIAL TIPS OF THE WEEK**

*Never smile at a crocodile...or a used car salesman!*

**THE NCC COMMITTEE SAFETY TIPS OF THE WEEK**

*If you suffer from Tourette's Syndrome, it is probably best you avoid **Mitchell Street** after about 1.00am on Friday or Saturday nights.*

**ON THE REX HUNT**

*"I Punt therefore I Am"*

(\*Conditions apply and **GAMBLE RESPONSIBLY** kids! If you have to sell other people's stuff to place a bet, then find another hobby!)



**\$50 on the Pies (Freo) + Bulldogs (Swans) double (at odds of \$3.10) = \$165.00**

**GROWL 2010 BALANCE TO DATE:     + \$140.50**

So the *Growl's* kitty continues to swell into a bit of an African lion after Geelong rubbished Port Adelaide like Bondi Beach on New Year's Eve and the Sainters marched past improvers Fremantle.

The oval-balled stuff seems to be serving us well to date, so we might head back there whilst the smell of liniment-laden success is still fresh. This week's games sees a few litmus tests for sides who have performed well to date, looking to take the next step. The **Fremantle v Collingwood** (in Perth) game looks an absolute corker, harder to pick than a broken nose, with both teams having performed admirably to date against all comers. Whilst it pains this publication to see the Pies winning *at all*, we think they will have too many running and forward options at present for the Dockers (no longer the Shockers!) and the vast expanses of Subiaco should actually suit the strong multi-player and faceted running game of the 'May Premiers'!

And in the Nation's capital, we reckon a smarting, snarling **Bulldogs** unit will reassert their Premiership aspirations with a win against the vastly improved **Sydney Swans**, with **Big Bad Bustling (and probably Bristling) Barry Hall** to also remind the Swans that he's still a serious AFL force to be reckoned with!



**Game over!** Saints fans might try to tell you otherwise, but surely it is curtains for Saints in 2010 if this bloke does not make it back this Season.

## JOKE – “DEAD DUCK”

A woman brought a very limp duck into a veterinary surgeon. As she laid her pet on the table, the vet pulled out his stethoscope and listened to the bird's chest.

After a moment or two, the vet shook his head and sadly said, *“I'm sorry, your duck, Cuddles, has passed away.”* The distressed woman wailed, *“Are you sure?”*

*“Yes, I am sure. Your duck is quite dead”* replied the vet.

*“How can you be so sure?”* she protested. *“I mean you haven't done any testing on him or anything. He might just be in a coma or something.”*

The vet rolled his eyes, turned around and left the room. He returned a few minutes later with a **black Labrador Retriever**. As the woman looked on in amazement, the dog stood on his hind legs, put his front paws on the examination table and sniffed the duck from top to bottom. He then looked up at the vet with sad eyes and shook his head. The vet patted the dog on the head and took it out of the room.

A few minutes later he returned with a **cat**. The cat jumped on the table and also delicately sniffed the bird from head to foot. The cat sat back on its haunches, shook its head, meowed softly and strolled out of the room.

The vet looked at the woman and said, *“I'm sorry, but as I said, this is most definitely, 100% certifiably, a dead duck.”*

The vet turned to his computer terminal, hit a few keys and produced a bill, which he handed to the woman. The duck's owner, still in shock, took the bill. *“\$150!”* she cried, *“\$150 just to tell me my duck is dead!”*

The vet shrugged, *“I'm sorry. If you had just taken my word for it, the bill would have been \$20, but with the **Lab Report** and the **Cat Scan**, it's now \$150.”*

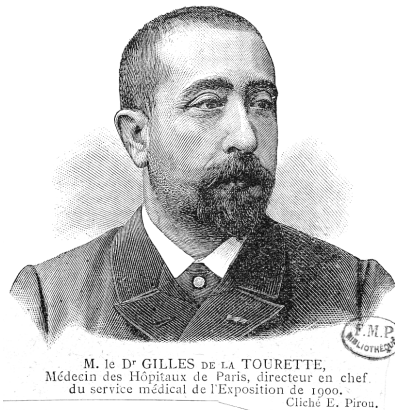


**LOOK-ALIKES**

Can you spot the difference?



A-Grade skipper **Sammy Gibson** pretty happy with life after the **Tigers' T-20 Grand Final** win... imagine what would happen if the **Dees** start winning as well!



**Gillies de la Tourette** and **Adam Sandler**...one discovered **Tourette's Syndrome**, the other just has an extreme case of it!



Jabiru rockers **Brion Foley & Brad Hatton** belting out another Australian/Nightcliff CC classic!

**THE END. SIX LEGITIMATE DELIVERIES (OVER!).**