

Post Selection Wrap Up

Despite the delayed start of this year's Fantasy League, giving managers plenty of scouting time in Rd 1, there was a massive array of different looking squads.

Jack Dent heads of the list of most picked players with a resounding 100% of managers picking him until the team 'Dentless' came into the fray in a fruitless attempt to reduce the size of Dent's bubble. Rounding off the top 5 picked players were Michael Richardson, despite having instruments for hands, at 93% of teams, Matt Christophers (72%), Keagan English (70%) and 'bargain of the year' Aaron Richards (67%).

The club captain and professional Australian motorcycle racer Sam Tyler was picked by 51% of teams and most capped at 26%. Other well capped players were Jack Dent, Matt Thomas and Chris Drew. Interestingly, Chris 'G.O.A.T.' Drew was only picked by 19% of managers. It seems that managers are well pleased with the new crop of players this year and look to the future with Keagan English (70%), Adam Richardson (58%), Sam Pittman and James Prest (56%) and Alex Politis (47%) all picked well.

Managers must have assumed that Matt Kildea's last year was an absolute fluke, or he was cheating, with only 14 % of managers picking the wiley left armer. Redman Winter was also short picked at 12% along with Alex Butenko with only 1 team picking him. Another strange assumption this year was that the B-grade would have a little to no second innings bats with Brad Weeds only picked 16% of the time. Despite Crazy Jack Brabham's amazing ability to win the toss and bowl first, he was only picked by 1 team.

Finally, thank you to all managers for taking part this year and good luck for the season. I encourage you all to follow up your team's scores and check them yourself as my computer skills are worthy of a Zoolander appearance and please let me know of any mistakes. Just a reminder too that subs are due at the end of this week and this is a great time to pay your Fantasy Team entry as well, contact Matt Kildea for details. Also, to back up Bowey's fantastic work with sponsorships this year, I remind people to get out there and secure Player Sponsors. It only requires \$100 from the company for some great air time as well as a Hackney voucher. Get on board.

Rank	Team Name	Manager	Rd2	Total	Top Players	
1	Team Weed	Brad Weidenhofer	1035	1035	Matt Davis	265
2	Come At Me Brah	Michael Clarke	1029	1029	Jack Zacker	191
3	K-3	Andrew Heitmann	992	992	Jack Dent	162
4	Missing Off and Leg	A. Nonymous	956	956	Max Burford	161
5	Planning Futures	Steph Hensgen	933	933	Matthew Schulz	140
6	Drew Blood XI	Chris Drew	929	929	Chris Drew	109
7	John's Butchers	Max Burford	915	915	Aaron Richards	87
8	B-Grade	Brad Weidenhofer	870	870	Matthew Thomas	86
8	Viva la revolución	Matt Thomas	870	870	Brad Weidenhofer	85
10	The Dipshits	Keagan English	867	867	Sam Richardson	84
11	Kermit's Disciples CC	Ed Thomas	853	853	Tom Phillips	79
12	The Tommy Cants	Tom Phillips	841	841	Drew Clayfield	73
13	The Penetrators	Josh Orken	838	838	Antony Brabham	66
14	Klev Kildea's Kronies	Matt Kildea	829	829	Ryan Winter	60
15	yehnahthatschilledasbro	Mason Angove	818	818	James Prest	56
16	Presty's XI	James Prest	812	812	Toby Nihill	56
17	S.K. Roberts-Robbson	Shane Roberts	811	811	Evan Lucas	51
18	Biscuits	Tim Boucaut	808	808	Shane Roberts	51
19	U Jelly Brah?	Sam Wood	788	788	Michael Clarke	51
20	Jump On My Shoulders	Will Thomas	783	783	Sam Hurburgh	49
21	Tapey's Troops	Rowan Tape	780	780	Daniel Weekly	45
22	How's the Arrogance?	Tyler Dent	770	770	Rowan Tape	44
23	Up The Blockhole	Matt Davis	765	765	David Larkins	41
24	C.Lamps	Alex Marantos	749	749	Ben Allen	41
25	Yiros' First XI	Alex Politis	742	742	Alex Politis	40
26	A.Donis All-Stars XI	Ben Lobban	741	741	Henry Olsson	38
27	12th Men	Jon Tamblyn	740	740	Tim Boucaut	37
28	Knee Reconstruction	Adam Richardson	736	736	Michael Richardson	36
29	Dentless	Tim Hudson	735	735	Justin Mitchell	34
30	FML XI	Dave Larkins	732	732	Charlie Aust	33
31	Richo Rich	Justin Mitchell	731	731	David Reed	32
32	The Sparkling Kings	Sam Hurburgh	729	729	Andrew Heitmann	31
33	Glamour's XI	Michael Richardson	724	724	Keagan English	30
34	Amelio	Amelia Duffy	719	719	Sam Wood	30
35	Talk To Me Goose	Matt Christophers	696	696	Peter Ingman	30
36	Pen15	Dave Gerner	695	695	Nick Brooks	27
37	Freezing Eskies	Hamish Eske	689	689	Mason Angove	26
38	Jack XIV	Jack Brabham	672	672	Adam Richardson	26
39	BA's Bandits	Ben Allen	664	664	Ben Lobban	26
40	A-Grade	Sam Tyler	634	634	Sam Tyler	19
41	Hockney's Hammies	Richard Hockney	631	631	Matt Christophers	18
42	Big Dog's Cocks	Jonny Coop	624	624	Gavin Jones	16
43	Newbies	PAOCCC	600	600	David Gerner	16
44	Walsh United	Jordan Walsh	577	577	Matthew Kildea	16
45	Tommy Thumpers	Tom Rayner	572	572	Jordan Walsh	15
46	Brownhill Bulls	Paul Chapman	569	569	Sam Pittman	13
47	C-Grade	Jack Brabham	530	530	Jono Churchill	11
48	D-Grade	Will Thomas	522	522	Patrick Sadlier	11
49	The Inadequate XI	Nick Selth	435	435	Tom Rayner	11
50	Veterans	PAOCCC	408	408	Will Thomas	8
51	E-Grade	Matthew Kildea	385	385	Tim Hudson	6
52	Team of Year 10/11	Ben Hook	336	336	Nick Selth	6
					Alex Butenko	6
					John Coop	3
					Andrew Olsson	2
					Will Heaslip	1

Round 2 Wrap Up

To start off this year's Fantasy League, 'Team Weed' and 'Come At Me Brah' both got off to cracking starts with over 1000 points each. B-grade was the best performing team with 870 points, which is still quite low given the outright victory. The E-grade must have had a very low scoring 2nd week of round 2 judging by their measly 385 points, it almost seems as if their captain didn't even organize a game at all. This is particularly disappointing for those teams that picked last year's best Fantasy player as well as those managers looking to cash in on the Swine, who is destined to play below his skill level in order to play more games with his life partner. Although, it is quite amazing that the E's were able to get thoroughly washed out as well as sunburnt on the same day.

Well done and thank you to the unknown manager A. Nonymous who seems to actually know what he/she's doing when picking a squad with a very healthy 4th place. 'Amelio' should have a much higher rank than 34th if her better half (or worse) had let her pick Jack Zacker in what must have been a relationship straining selection. Disappointingly, Hooky's team of the year 10/11 has gotten off to a dismal start with 336 points at dead last but last year's best manager, hoping to prove he can be the club's C.O.S., has had a solid start with 14th place.

It seems that the current COS can't even pick a decent squad even if he's given \$1,000,000 and 14 players, with a Rd2 rank of 33rd. However, the club is off to an 8 and 2 start with the 2 coming from the retired club legends team so it's not all bad for the COS.

Very high personal scores with

- Betty Davis 265 points with a 10 wickets for the match.
- Jack Zacker did alright as a batsmen scoring 191 points mostly through his wicket taking.
- Jack Dent rewarded all teams but 'Dentless' with a match saving 162 point haul.
- Weeds scored a personal record of 85 1st INNINGS POINTS despite there being several freshly rolled dice on the pitch alledgedly being put there by Weed himself at approximately 5:43am Sat morning.

Finally, a shout out for Christo for running away from what would have been a regulation catch to give Philly a well-earned hat-trick. The 'Psycho'-like scream as he was running away was a thing to behold.

Good luck next week to all managers, teams and players.