

Weekly wrap up

Friday, 10 June 2011

					Home	Away
7:40pm	 St. Kilda	vs.	 Western Bulldogs	Etihad Stadium	\$1.50	\$2.50

Saturday, 11 June 2011

3:10pm	 Adelaide	vs.	 West Coast	AAMI Stadium	\$2.25	\$1.60
7:10pm	 Geelong	vs.	 Hawthorn	M.C.G.	\$1.30	\$3.00
7:10pm	 Gold Coast	vs.	 North Melbourne	Metricon Stadium	\$3.30	\$1.30

Sunday, 12 June 2011

1:10pm	 Carlton	vs.	 Brisbane	Etihad Stadium	\$1.05	\$8.50
2:10pm	 Sydney	vs.	 Richmond	S.C.G.	\$1.28	\$3.50
4:40pm	 Fremantle	vs.	 Essendon	Patersons Stadium	\$1.75	\$2.00

Monday, 13 June 2011

2:10pm	 Melbourne	vs.	 Collingwood	M.C.G.	\$5.00	\$1.15
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Bye  Port Adelaide

Too good an image to pass up as a summary of the Geelong vs Hawthorn match:



Ninja Cat Attack: I'm in ur stadium, reeling in ur deficit

Halfway through the season and usually I summarise the performance of tippers. This year, for something a little different, I thought I'd summarise the performance of clubs instead. The table below shows what each team would have netted you, had you backed them to win each and every week.

Team	Winnings	Return
Geelong	\$17.48	59%
Gold Coast (*)	\$16.50	65%
Sydney	\$12.83	17%
West Coast	\$12.04	9%
Carlton	\$11.61	5%
Collingwood	\$11.45	4%
Hawthorn	\$10.67	-3%
Fremantle	\$10.40	-5%
Richmond	\$9.44	-14%
Melbourne	\$9.08	-18%
Essendon	\$8.74	-21%
Port Adelaide	\$7.25	-34%
St Kilda	\$7.18	-35%
Brisbane	\$6.55	-40%
North Melbourne	\$6.25	-43%
Adelaide	\$4.85	-56%
Western Bulldogs	\$3.75	-66%

What this table summarises is the discrepancy between the expected and actual performance of each club. Collingwood, for all their wins, are performing within expectations but Geelong are performing above and beyond theirs. In fact, even though Gold Coast are last on the ladder they would still have netted you an impressive \$16.50 in winnings! Their ROI (65%) is the best in the league, beating even Geelong, because they have played one game fewer than all other clubs. Western Bulldogs on the other hand...ugh.

Patrick's lead took a Clint Jones-like king hit after a pretty disastrous Round 12, allowing several tippers to close the gap he'd previously made for himself. Strangely, in a round where all favourites won, no-one got 8 from 8. The closest was Di who, for the second week running, got 7 out of 8 and gets another entry into the Second Chance competition.

Another tipper who managed 7 from 8 was Leanne, who assures me she is "aiming to get the last place prize". I've heard the exact same line ("Oh, no. I'm *trying* to get last place") every year from whoever happens to be last. The thing is, if I switch all of her tips, she'd still be in 2nd last place so you'll have to excuse my scepticism.

Jesse tells me the exact same thing, but is putting on a much better, deliberately worse performance and is the forerunner for last place prize (aftrunner?). Perhaps he thought he was going to get entry fee back. Sadly, he is mistaking because what you actually get is something of equal value to your entry fee and I have a track record of being a bastard in these matters. Previous years' prizes have included:

- Refund of entry fee...in 5c coins
- Refund of entry fee...in 5c coins inserted into individual Styrofoam pieces and mixed up in a 20cm square box full of Styrofoam
- Refund of entry fee...in cut-up \$5 notes (legally, if 80% of the note remains, it retains its full face value)
- Refund of entry fee...in AFL team stamps from the bottom placed club of that year.

This year, I'm keen to make Jesse regret his so-called "aim to come last" and am tendering for ideas for a last place prize. Any suitably devilish suggestions will win the submitter two things: a guarantee that if they come last I will give them a \$20 note in place of any dummy prize and a Second Chance entry into the finals competition.

Lookalikes

Happy birthday to you, happy birthday to you, happy 85¹/₇th birthday dear Lizzie. Happy birthday to you.



A young Queen Elizabeth and Susan Pevensie from The Chronicles of Narnia



Queen Elizabeth and George Bush from Texas, the redneck state



Queen Elizabeth and Big Bird from Sesame Street



¹ Unless the suggestion comes from Jesse, in which case he is afforded absolutely no inquiry from other, or his own, suggestions