Weekly wrap up

Thursday, 25 March 2010							Home	Away
7.10pm	T	St. Kilda	VS.		Collingwood	Etihad Stadium	\$1.33	\$3.30
Friday, 26 March 2010								
2:10pm		Kangaroos	VS.	7	West Coast	Etihad Stadium	\$1.80	\$1.95
2.40pm	Ш	Port Adelaide	VS.		Brisbane Lions	AAMI Stadium	\$1.87	\$1.87
7:10pm		Sydney	VS.		Richmond	S.C.G.	\$1.07	\$8.00
7.10pm		Carlton	VS.		Essendon	M.C.G.	\$1.45	\$2.65
Sunday, 28 March 2010								
1.10pm		Melbourne	VS.		Adelaide	M.C.G.	\$2.80	\$1.40
2.10pm		Western Bulldogs	VS.		Hawthorn	Etihad Stadium	\$1.45	\$2.65
4.40pm		Fremantle	VS.		Geelong	Subiaco Oval	\$2.25	\$1.60

The most seemingly trivial news items make headlines in AFL circles. The latest is how West Coast Eagle ruckmen Nic Naitanui and Dean Cox were spotted using mobile phones at Etihad Stadium during the three-quarter time break:



Why is this news you ask? Because technically, it is illegal. According to the *Herald-Sun*, an AFL spokesperson confirmed that was a direct breach of Section 13 of its rules which covers anti-gambling rules for players and officials, the argument being potential transmittance of inside information. I can't find this apparent "section 13" anywhere online but it sounds kinda reasonable in hindsight.

I'm just wondering how many of these Naitanui, Cox and West Coast training staff are going to receive in the mail:

AFL Universal Pouch - West Coast Eagles



Taken from http://store.optussolutions.com.au/afl-universal-pouch-west-coast-eagles though how a mobile phone *pouch* can be billed with the feature "unlocked [for] use on any network" I'll never understand

Close odds and several upset victories always make for interesting tipping results. Amazingly two tippers still managed an impressive 7 from 8 and receive an entry to the second chance comp: Patrick and Diana (again!). Compare and contrast the strategies of our leading tippers: Hugh (placing in the top quartile in all 3 early rounds) and Di (placing equal-top, *cough* 2nd last, equal-top). Ironic that an actuarial footy tipping competition is rewarding risk-taking behaviour...

Speaking of the Herald-Sun, as retribution for copying my "weighted tipping" competition back in 2008, I'm going to plagarise them this year. As for last year, no draw tips will be accepted. However, upon any drawn match, all tippers will receive half the points for the team they selected as the winner. If you did not submit any tip, you still get the regular \$0.80 allocation.



You stole my ideas Herald Sun, so now I'll steal yours

As for prize pools, we currently have the following provisional prize pools:

Major prize: \$200 + 2004 AFL Selective Gold Plated Proof Coin

(Awarded to the person with the highest winnings at the end of the 22-round Home & Away season)

Second chance: \$100

(Awarded to the winner of the Second Chance Draw conducted during the finals)

Last place: Dummy prize worth \$20

(Awarded to the person with the least winnings at the end of the 22-round Home & Away season)

Fun & Games

Phooty lookalikes

Had to be done, really...



Dean Cox and 24's Milo Pressman (played by Eric Balfour)



Nic Naitanui and Dora the Explorer. C'mon! It's a lookalike AND its a mobile phone! How freakin' cool is that?