

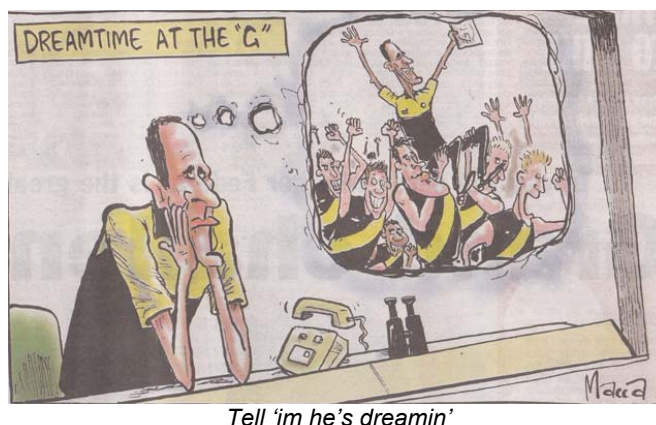
## Weekly wrap up

| Friday, 15 May 2009   |                                                                                   |            |     |                                                                                   |                  | Home           | Away          |
|-----------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|-----|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------|----------------|---------------|
| 7.40pm                |  | Geelong    | vs. |  | Western Bulldogs | Etihad Stadium | \$1.12 \$5.75 |
| Saturday, 16 May 2009 |                                                                                   |            |     |                                                                                   |                  |                |               |
| 2.10pm                |  | Kangaroos  | vs. |  | Fremantle        | Etihad Stadium | \$1.70 \$2.10 |
| 2.40pm                |  | Adelaide   | vs. |  | Carlton          | AAMI Stadium   | \$2.35 \$1.55 |
| 5.40pm                |  | West Coast | vs. |  | Collingwood      | Subiaco Oval   | \$1.45 \$2.65 |
| 7.40pm                |  | Richmond   | vs. |  | Essendon         | M.C.G.         | \$2.35 \$1.55 |
| Sunday, 17 May 2009   |                                                                                   |            |     |                                                                                   |                  |                |               |
| 1.10pm                |  | Sydney     | vs. |  | Port Adelaide    | S.C.G.         | \$1.55 \$2.35 |
| 2.10pm                |  | St. Kilda  | vs. |  | Brisbane Lions   | Etihad Stadium | \$1.13 \$5.50 |
| 4.40pm                |  | Hawthorn   | vs. |  | Melbourne        | M.C.G.         | \$1.15 \$5.00 |

What is it with sports people and their superstitions? The screen caps below show Richmond's Matthew Knight running around the banner. Maybe he is filling in for his injured namesake, Matthew Richardson, who shares the same superstition.



Now, I'm not exactly sure what a pre-match ritual is meant to achieve, but demonstrating that you are scared of crepe paper doesn't exactly instil fear into your opposition like New Zealand's haka does. And if the intention of these superstitions is to give Richmond players' some magical advantage then maybe someone should tell them that they have only won a single game this season.



Tell 'im he's dreamin'

On the subject of Dreamtime, Round 9's commemoration of indigenous football talent, check out the amazing skills and freakish goal kicking ability of Daniel Motlop from Thursday's Fox Sports <sup>1</sup>.

Tipping results this week were incredibly stable with almost all competitors getting 5 or 6 out of 8. There was, however, enough variability to see Jesse overtaking David for the leader's position and for George to claim this week's prize. One interesting result is even with similar odds, 4 people tipped against Geelong and only 1 tipper went against St. Kilda. Does this suggest that St Kilda is regarded as the stronger team?

<sup>1</sup> <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rRhWPxVP0uw&feature=related>

# Fun & Games

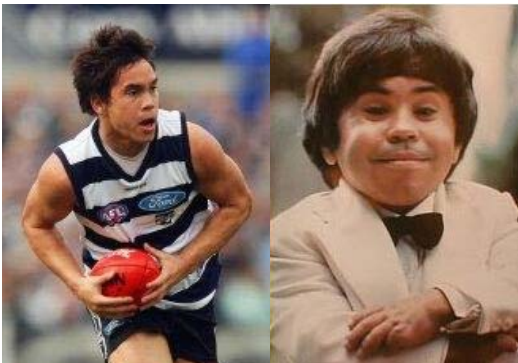
## Sporting Superstitions

Match the following sports stars to their superstitions

| Sports star         | Superstition                                               |
|---------------------|------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1. David Beckham    | a. Completely relives a successful match day the next time |
| 2. Goran Ivanisevic | b. Drink bottles must line up perfectly                    |
| 3. Lleyton Hewitt   | c. Lucky shorts underneath clothes                         |
| 4. Michael Jordan   | d. Must listen to "Eye of the Tiger" before a match        |
| 5. Rafael Nadal     | e. One side of top tucked into pants                       |
| 6. Serena Williams  | f. Practise to the extent of being diagnosed with OCD      |
| 7. Tiger Woods      | g. Shoelaces must be tied in exactly the same way          |
| 8. Wayne Gretsky    | h. The lucky colour red                                    |

## Phooty lookalikes

Some football lookalikes for lovers of old TV series:



Matthew Stokes and Tattoo from Fantasy Island



Matthew Pavlich and Al Bundy from Married With Children



Aaron Sandilands and Lurch from The Addam's Family