

<b>Team: Wests Juniors U9 White</b>	<b>Opponents: Sherwood White</b>
<b>Date: 21/07/07</b>	<b>Venue: Sherwood</b>
<p>Another fine and cool winter morning greeted us at Sherwood as well as some confusion as to which ground we were to play on! Isaac and Scott were both missing due to illness and injury so we were down to 12 lads getting a full game. Max Dettl was nominated Captain and did the right thing and won the toss! He went with the slight breeze and the doggies were keen for a good start – something missing in recent games.</p> <p>A very strong centre line-up set the tone for the quarter with James exerting his influence immediately and Ben delivering the ball to our forwards. Lachie Graham used his speed to pounce on the ball and snap a very clever goal. Quick hands and more positive play from Harrison to Brad and Angus was left with a running shot and another goal to Wests. The backs were impassable as Ethan took several marks and Jack and Aiden ran relentlessly. Great ball movement from Ethan to James, Ben and then to Lachie had him finishing with his second goal for the quarter. Great flow and team movement from the doggies.</p> <p>Quarter time, a quick check of the basics – get a player each and look for your team mates. Sherwood had the use of the breeze and the ball rebounded from one end of the ground to the other in a very exciting term. Sherwood kicked a fine goal on the run and managed to hold Wests goal-less. Max and Morgan Gillet fought hard in defence and James continued his smash and bash approach. Brad and Ethan teamed well in the middle and Angus delivered the ball regularly to the forwards. Ben and Harrison battled hard in the forward area and with Jack and Aidan, were unlucky not to kick two goals. A very even quarter with both teams satisfied with their efforts</p> <p>No snake of orange escaped the half time carnage and there was a real buzz around the huddle as parents and players new the team was in good form. With the bounce, James tapped to Lachie and the doggies were away. After a fine hand ball from Morgan Gillet, Ethan swung one over his shoulder and a six pointer was registered. Brad (so many marks), Angus and Ben used their skills in the back line to move the ball cleverly and Harrison barged through any opponent in his way. Morgan Vile collected several possessions as Aidan, James and Lachie peppered the forward line. Ethan kicked a bouncing, dribbling goal that beat everyone and was unlucky not to slot two more from good marks and long, set shots. Jack dodged and weaved to kick a stylish running goal to top off a fine quarter by the lads.</p> <p>The final term was very much a tight and tense affair. Captain Max bumped and hustled in the forwards and clever team play from Ben, Morgan Vile and Jack allowed James to jump on the loose ball and put it through the big posts. Running with the breeze, Sherwood fought hard and Angus, Brad, Aidan and Ethan worked hard to repel the constant forward movements. Sherwood collected two clever goals but Wests continue to scrap and apply pressure. Harrison and Morgan Gillet delivered some excellent hand balls and Lachie chased the ball like a mad thing to ensure no easy gains for his opponents.</p> <p>After the siren, smiles all round and the game ended in excellent spirits. Fine game my both teams. Wests marking and passing was exceptional with a noted improvement over recent weeks. Parents and supporters enjoyed the game and special thanks to Karen Sivijs and Dave Blight for keeping things organised and the transitions smooth. Next Friday, 27 July and its <b>6.30pm start at Oakman Park</b>. GET THERE EARLY as it's Angus' 50<sup>th</sup> game and we'll be sharing the ground with another match. Stay on for celebratory lemonades and enjoy a Friday night at the footy. ALL HANDS ON DECK TO HELP OUT!!</p> <p>As always, go doggies!!</p> <p><b>Quote: "A school without football is in danger of deteriorating into a medieval study hall".</b>  <b>Vince Lombardi, American Football Coach</b></p>	
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