

Team: Wests Juniors U9 White	Opponents: Forrest Lake Yellow
Date: 26/5/2007	Venue: Wests
<p>Another home game at our patch and Aidan Burke was nominated Captain. A special day for Aidan as it was also his birthday. Well done mate. You'll be shaving soon.... FL arrives short of players so in the usual Wests' spirit we rotated our bench players into their side so all kids were on the ground for the whole match. Dogs-on-dogs is an enthralling contest!</p> <p>Both sides settled quickly and for the first time this season, two girls on the other side and they handled themselves very well indeed. James and Lachie ensured Wests had the first forward thrust out of the middle and Angus slotted a nice goal. In a quick turnaround, FL goaled through the fine play of one of the young ladies. Excellent right boot! Strong mid-field play from Morgan V and Harrison and Ben provided a fine finish with a six pointer. Brad and Ethan dominated down back with marking and running with a series of hand balls and passes leading to Captain Aidan kicking a classy goal – happy birthday!</p> <p>In the second quarter, Wests dominated general field play but our goal sense deserted us. Scott marked well in the centre and Morgan G was using his strength to great advantage – in defence for the other team! Delivery to Jack and Lachie was brilliant and Jack managed two lovely goals on the run. A number of easy shots missed and the lads were frustrated. Isaac worked hard in defence and Max was the usual terrier in the forwards. FL had a couple of pocket rockets creating a lot of dash in the middle which resulted in a fine goal in the closing minutes.</p> <p>Half time, gobble the goodies and time for a breather – very warm again. Lots of water and some words of encouragement and back to the fray. Despite some very exciting teamwork, Wests could not get the ball through the big sticks. Scott marked well again and Harrison and Lachie defended well Good chasing and team play by Brad, Ethan and Angus a many snaps on goal but no reward for their efforts! Against the run of play, FL goaled with the young lady proving very dangerous in front of goals. James and Morgan V had an excellent quarter assisting FL – great competition with their Wests mates, especially Aidan who was working hard!</p> <p>The final term and we ran away with the game. James, Ben and Morgan V all kicked straight and assists from Isaac meant plenty of activity for the forwards. Lachie, Harrison, Brad and Angus handballed and passed well in the centres and the delivery by Ethan and Ben to them was precise. Nice team play all round. Jack and Ben worked tirelessly. FL managed once last goal but they worked hard with Max and Morgan G scrambling and scrimmaging. Aidan had a couple of nice dashes to finish a fine Captain's game.</p> <p>Another impressive run by the doggies and a game with good contests and plenty of spirit. FL performed well and played the game in a friendly and enjoyable manner. Many thanks to FL coach and players. Some kicking practice needed by Wests but overall, the team's attack on the ball and enthusiasm was outstanding.</p> <p>Thanks to Karen Sivijs for organising all support duties (and the scoring to ensure a good result!) and Rohan Teasdale as assistant coach for management of rotations and Forrest Lake's needs re extra players. As always, thanks to the parents for their support and assistance with their doggies. Next week, we're at home on Friday night against Calamvale commencing at 6.30pm. Goal umpiring, first aid, CANTEEN and a ground marshal duties are up for grabs as always. Let's pitch in and get it happening as Friday night games require all hands on deck and we'll have the Auskick crowd to cope with as well.</p> <p>As always, go doggies!!</p> <p>Quote: "Ask not what your teammates can do for you. Ask what you can do for your teammates". -Magic Johnson, former NBA All Star</p>	
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