

Team: Wests Juniors U9 White	Opponents: Calamvale
Date: 5/5/2007	Venue: Wests Juniors
<p>A very warm Saturday morning at Calamvale (CV) and both teams were able to provide full squads which was promising – minimum confusion with rotations and fill-in players! Max Dettl crawled from his sick bed and insisted he would play – brave boy Max and fine effort for the team.</p> <p>The first quarter was a sounding out period for both teams and it soon became evident the players were evenly matched with good skills across the paddock from both sides. A sandy surface meant lots of dust and grit when players hit the ground and both teams were hard at the ball. Calamvale managed a couple of goals and Wests settled late in the quarter with two very exciting goals to James - things were on an even par. Brad, Ethan and Morgan Vile were strong in the centre and Jack and Ben were active in the backs.</p> <p>The second quarter had the doggies on fire as their run and handball clicked into gear. Harrison hustled his opponents and snapped two nice goals, Jack breezed past everyone and slotted two as well and Captain Angus took a clever hand ball to kick a smart goal on the run. Isaac and Lachie (is it Billy?) provided bite out of the centre and Brad took some strong marks. Credit to our backs for keeping CV to no goals. Great marks Ethan and Angus.</p> <p>The half time hooter and all the boys were hot and thirsty. Plenty of fluid, their ration of snakes and oranges and some real excitement around the doggies 'pack'. Into the third quarter and a very even and physical display from both teams. Ethan received his first shoulder charge and the ump was right on the scene. James, Jack and Brad keen to repay the bump and some very good 'tackles' laid. Jack was on the end of some smart play from Ben and Lachie and a fine goal was scored. Tough in the clinches as Morgan Gillett and Morgan Vile hit the ball hard.</p> <p>Then last quarter and CV were on a blitz. They rotated all their large and skilful players into the centre and managed to move the ball to their forwards for a stream of goals. Special mention for Lachie's individual effort in the centre and his many touches. Morgan Gillett batted hard up forward and Max tried hard in the backs. James managed to slot a goal for the doggies after fine passes and handballs including Ben, Brad, Lachie and Isaac in the movement.</p> <p>At the end, Wests had their noses just in front and all players were exhausted. Tough conditions for football and the team play and spirit enabled the lads to again show some outstanding skills. Very pleasing comments from all parents that the game was exciting and of a high standard. Good effort boys and fun for all.</p> <p>Thanks to Karen Sivijs for managing the team and also Rohan Teasdale as assistant coach. Thanks to the mums and dads for their support and assistance with their doggies. Next week, it's Kenmore at Oakman Park commencing 9.00am. We'll need assistance from parents with goal umpiring, first aid, CANTEEN and a ground marshal, so let's see some hands up to help please. A traditional rivalry continues against Kenmore and a big home game for us! See you there for what will be another great contest.... As always, go doggies!!</p> <p><i>Quote: "The country is full of good coaches. What it takes to win is a bunch of interested players". Don Coryell, ex-San Diego Chargers Coach</i></p>	
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