

**SORRENTO**



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News from the  
**Sorrento Football Club**

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## From The President

All three football teams put in powerful on field performances against Rosebud on Saturday for three wins. We now sit on top of the ladder in the Seniors and Under 18's competitions, with the Reserves one game shy in second place.

Just as we have become fully immersed in the season, we face a two week break as next week the **AFL Vic Country Championships** take place with Nepean playing Heathcote & District in Bendigo next Saturday, followed by a bye for Sorrento.

Inside the club house it was just as "powerful" as Sorrento hosted members of the Port Adelaide board for lunch. Our clubs share a connection with Johnny McCarthy having played for both teams; that link strengthening following his untimely passing just nine months ago.

David Koch, the chairman of the Port Adelaide board, was our guest speaker and presented the club with a framed photograph of the Port Adelaide team of the century, which will be displayed in the club house.



The Board had planned to stay in Melbourne, for their board meeting prior to the match against Carlton, but it seems Rob Pitt sold them on the idea of visiting and staying in Sorrento. Good move.

As would be expected, Kocie proved to be an entertaining speaker, in a wide ranging address covering his involvement in the Beaconsfield mining tragedy in Tasmania in 2006, all matters football, and the challenges of breakfast television.

## Coaches Report – SENIORS

**Sorrento 25.20.170**

**Rosebud 9.10.64**

What can be said about the weekend's performance?

After a couple of games against teams at the lower end of the ladder we had the opportunity to take on finals contenders Rosebud. Missing our bookends due to injury and work, we had to shuffle things around a little before the game. Kicking into the breeze we dominated the game early and had nearly 10 more scoring shots than Rosebud to set the tone for the day.

The boys delivered a complete 4 quarter performance to completely shut out Rosebud and never allow them into the contest. The 100+ point result was a surprise but the way the lads went about it, it was just reward for a complete performance.

Now we have 2 weeks off before heading to Rye on Queens Birthday weekend for our

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clash against the neighbours. Look forward to seeing you all there!!

### **Coaches Report – RESERVES**

**Sorrento 8.5.53**

**Rosebud 7.10.52**

We came into the match against Rosebud with two first gamers Jayden Morgan, and new recruit Kyle Parker. Former Reserves premiership captain Mitch Kennedy also played due to nine players being unavailable on the day.

The first ten minutes of the game was controlled by Rosebud who outplayed us in every area of the game, but they weren't able to convert their good play into goals. Because of this the belief was that we were still in the game. However, with the second quarter once again being dominated by our opposition we went into half time down by 2 points. The scoreboard didn't reflect the way the game was being played, we were second to the ball and our hard running style of play that's a strength for us was not there.

After receiving a spray at half time the players responded and looked a totally different side in the third quarter. The intensity was back in our game and we kicked 5 goals to Rosebud's 2 in the third term.

At three quarter time I asked for one more big effort, but to Rosebud's credit they fought their way back into the match. Both teams

were giving it there all, and with the Sorrento bench depleted due to injuries we only had 18 fit players for the last ten minutes of the match.

The determination the Sorrento players showed in the last quarter was unbelievable, and with a James Peart point with a minute remaining we held on by that margin for a character building victory.

Gerard Hammond down back was sensational, Todd Daniher was outstanding with 3 goals and Aaron Balloch was once again dominant.

### **Coaches Report – UNDER 18s**

**Sorrento 15.4.94**

**Rosebud 10.9.69**

It was a very good performance by the under 18's against Rosebud on Saturday; the heat was on early and the boys were a lot cleaner with their disposals in the first quarter, to be up by four goals at the first break.

Rosebud came out in the second quarter to try to put us off our game, and did suck in a few of our top age boys. It was still anyone's game at half time.

For the second time this year we kicked more goals than points which was very pleasing. Rosebud fought back in the last quarter. In the end it was a very pleasing result, as we did not have our best side out there.

Congratulations to Danny Stephenson, Ethan King, William Harbinson and Nathan Seddon

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who will be representing the Nepean League in Bendigo this Saturday in the Interleague under 17's Team. All the boys have featured in our best players this year and deserve this opportunity.

### Next Game

Due to a mdi-season bye next week for the AFL Vic Country Championships, and a bye for Sorrento the following week we have a two week break.

### Saturday June 8 v Rye @ Rye

Our next home game is June 15, and there are a few seats available for the President's pre game lunch. To reserve a place, call Ian Lamerton on 0408 312 048.

### Footy Tipping

On a weekend of footy that threw up a few surprises, our current leader Eileen managed to pick 8 right, and seems glued to first position.

Rank	Score		Rounds 4 5 6 7 8
1st	61	Schillabeer, Eileen	7 7 9 7 8
2nd	57	Croad, David	7 6 9 7 8
3rd	56	O'Shaughnessy, Sally	6 8 9 6 8

4th	55	McBride, Pen	7 6 8 7 6
4th	55	Urquhart, David	7 7 8 6 8
6th	54	Goss, Gerard	6 7 8 7 8
6th	54	Hallahan, James	6 6 8 5 9
6th	54	Hammond, Denise	8 7 7 6 7
6th	54	Linacre, James	7 6 8 7 8
6th	54	McCarthy, Cassie	8 6 9 5 8
6th	54	McCormack, Ben	7 8 8 5 8
6th	54	Opie, Trevor	6 7 9 7 8
6th	54	Sheffield, Jane	5 7 9 6 8

All results will be available on our web-site.