MELBOURNE CRICKET CLUB

AFL 2023 ROUND 21
HAWTHORN V COLLINGWOOD

LIBRARY FACT SHEET
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UNLUCKY NUMBER 13?

Superstitious Hawthorn supporters may have had their worst fears realised in VFL Round 13, 1979 when they took on the Magpies at Victoria Park. Kicking six goals straight in the first quarter to Hawthorn's one goal one behind, the Magpies looked set for a big win. Half time looked no better for the hapless Hawks who had totalled just two goals to Collingwood's 15. Things improved slightly in the third quarter, with both sides kicking two goals each, however Hawthorn's ten behinds did little to improve the scoreboard for them. Another eight goals to the 'Pies in the final quarter saw them record their biggest winning margin over the Hawks to date. The final scores read **Collingwood 25.19 (169)** to **Hawthorn 8.16 (64)**. Collingwood's Peter Moore amassed 29 hitouts in the ruck. Graeme Anderson and Craig Davis were the Magpies' main goalkickers with six and four respectively. For the Hawks Alan Martello and Kelvin Moore both kicked two goals.

EARLY DAYS

A 1922 edition of the *Football Record* told us of a Collingwood player's difficulties:

> "What is there in a man's misfortune that brings out roars of laughter from other people? I wonder. Thousands considered it amusing at Victoria Park last week when a Collingwood man, in trying to stop Chris. Lethbridge from bolting with the ball, tore his pants off. Chris didn't realise the position until he had kicked the ball, and then he sat down on the cold, damp grass to await help. The terrible accident raised a laugh that would have made Charlie Chaplin think he was a comedian if it had been his pants that had been ruined in such a fashion. First-aid men jumped in from the fence and for once in a while did not rub the injured player's tummy – that seems to be the proper thing for first-aiders, even when the player goes down with only an injury to his ankle. Chris Lethbridge's first-aiders came along with overcoats, and somebody, like a conjurer, produced a nicely-laundered pair of knicks. Then all was well again."

PLAYED FOR BOTH

Jon Hassall came to Collingwood from Warrandyte in the Eastern Football League. A tagger, he played 50 games (12 goals) for the Magpies between 1994 and 1996, In his first year he won the Harry Collier Trophy for the best first year player, also the club's most improved player award and a Rising Star nomination. At the end of 1996 he was delisted but was picked up by Hawthorn in the 1997 pre-season draft. He played a total of 44 games (5 goals) for the Hawks but was again delisted, at the end of the 1999 season. After brief stints with South Adelaide Football Club and in the Essendon District Football League, Hassall retired and is now a racehorse trainer in Kilmore.

Clinton Young, a left footed midfielder/forward, came to Hawthorn from the North Ballarat Under 18s and made his debut in Round 16, 2005. He went on to play 116 games (60 goals) for the Hawks, including in their 2008 premiership side, before transferring to Collingwood as an unrestricted free agent in 2013. Injury saw him manage just 21 games (9 goals) for the club before he was delisted at the end of the 2015 season. He went on to play and coach Gisborne in the Bendigo Football League.

A forward, **Shannon Gibson** was recruited by the Hawks from TAC Cup side the Northern Knights. He played a total of 25 games (18 goals) for the club between 1995 and 1997. Unable to cement a regular place in the side, he was traded to Collingwood, but a hamstring injury saw him play only three games in 1998 and he was delisted going off to VFA side Preston where he was captain from 2000 to 2003.

OVER TO YOU

1. Can you name the first Collingwood player to win the Norm Smith Medal?
2. Who captained Hawthorn to its first premiership in 1961?
3. Who played 138 consecutive matches for Hawthorn between 1974 and 1980?
4. Who won the 1972 Brownlow Medal and which three clubs did he play for?

This Round in History – Round 21 on the MCG

The highest Round 21 score at the MCG is 28.19 (187) by Richmond against Fitzroy 5.6 (36) in 1996. The overall Round 21 highest score is 35.15 (225) by Hawthorn against Geelong 13.12 (90) at Princes Park in 1986. The most goals by an individual at the MCG for this round is 11 by Bernie Quinlan (right) for Fitzroy against North Melbourne in 1984. Fitzroy kicked 26.9 (165) and won by 54 points. The overall Round 21 goalkicking record is 13 by Tony Lockett for St Kilda against Carlton at Waverley Park in 1991. St Kilda kicked 23.17 (155) to win by 54 points. The highest score in a quarter is 11.7 (73) by Richmond in the last quarter against Fitzroy in 1996. The overall Round 21 record is 13.4 (82) by Hawthorn against Geelong in the last quarter at Princes Park in 1986. The highest Round 21 attendance at the MCG was recorded on Saturday August 21, 1993 when 85,054 saw Carlton defeat Collingwood by 54 points.

Statistics for Hawthorn v Collingwood

Hawthorn v Collingwood by venue

	Won by Hawthorn	Won by Collingwood	Drawn
Docklands	2	1	0
Glenferrie	10	33	0
MCG	24	13	0
Princes Park	10	3	0
Syd. Showgnd	0	1	0
Victoria Park	10	43	0
Waverley	13	5	0
	69	99	0

Most Goals in a Match (10 goals or more)

16	G. Coventry	Coll	Rd 13	1929	VP
14	G. Coventry	Coll	Rd 14	1934	VP
12	P. McKenna	Coll	Rd 1	1966	VP
11	J. Dunstall	Haw	Rd 16	1989	PP
11	J. Dunstall	Haw	Rd 20	1990	Wav
10	M. Moncrieff	Haw	Rd 3	1976	PP

Highest Score

Hawthorn	25.22 (172)	Rd 3	1976	PP
Collingwood	25.19 (169)	Rd 13	1979	VP

Lowest Score

Hawthorn	2.8 (20)	Rd 15	1950	VP
Hawthorn	2.8 (20)	Rd 1	1952	GO
Collingwood	4.12 (36)	Rd 11	1961	GO

Greatest Winning Margin

Hawthorn	125 points	Rd 16	1987	VP
Collingwood	105 points	Rd 13	1979	VP

Last Time They Met – Round 12, 2022, MCG

	Collingwood	Hawthorn
Quarter time	5.4	2.2
Half time	7.9	4.4
Three-quarter time	8.10	8.5
Full time	10.12 (72)	10.8 (68)

LANCE "BUDDY" FRANKLIN'S 2013 AFL GOAL OF THE YEAR

In Round 3, 2013, at the MCG, Hawthorn's Lance Franklin, goaled spectacularly against Collingwood. In the third term, with a straight kick separating the teams, he received a handball from his teammate Ben Stratton in the centre circle while running at full pace, he then jumped Stratton and his Magpie tackler, Sam Dwyer, and goaled on the run at the Punt Road end from about 70 metres out (inside the centre square). It would earn Franklin the 2013 AFL Goal of the Year. It may be viewed on Hawthorn's website at:
https://www.hawthornfc.com.au/news/726748/franklin-wins-goal-of-the-year

OVER TO YOU ANSWERS: Q1 Tony Shaw 1990. **Q2** Graham Arthur. **Q3** Michael Tuck. **Q4** Len Thompson played for Collingwood, South Melbourne and Fitzroy.

FACT SHEETS ON THE MCC WEBSITE

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http://tinyurl.com/mcclcatalogue

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