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AFL 2025 ROUND 3 MELBOURNE V GOLD COAST

PLAYED WITH BOTH CLUBS

Kade Kolodjashnij – Twins, Kade and Jake Kolodjashnij were born in Tasmania. Their grandparents fled Soviet controlled Ukraine after World War II. Kade played junior football at Prospect, St. Patrick's College (Launceston) and then Launceston in the Tasmanian State League. In the 2013 National Draft he was selected at pick No. 5. He is 190cm (6'3") and weighs 85kg (187lb). He represented the Gold Coast Suns from 2014 to 2018 in 78 games with 13 goals. At the conclusion of the 2018 season Kade was traded to Melbourne. The classy left-footer suffered lingering concussion symptoms which kept him off the field during most of his time at the Demons where, in 2019 he played just two games. Kade's twin brother, Jake, has represented Geelong, including being a member of the Cats' 2022 premiership.

Matthew Warnock – A tall defender, he joined Melbourne in 2006 from the Sandringham Zebras in the Victorian Football Association where he was a member of the Zebras' VFA premiership sides in 2005 and 2006. He played with the Demons from 2006 to 2011 in 55 games, kicking one goal. Fine performances during the 2008 season saw him finish fourth in the Demons' Best and Fairest award. During the trade period, on October 17, 2011, he was a part of a complex three-team trade. From 2012 to 2014 he joined the Gold Coast Suns for 32 games (no goals). Matthew's younger brother, Robert Warnock, played for Fremantle and Carlton.

Steven May – served as co-captain of the Gold Coast Suns in the 2017 and 2018 seasons. Born in Darwin on January 10, 1992, he is tall at 193cm (6'4") and weighs 102kg (225lb). Of Indigenous descent, he played for Southern Districts in the Northern Territory. He won a scholarship to the Australian Institute of Sport and then finished his education at Melbourne Grammar School. In a game for his school, he kicked nine goals. May recorded 123 games and kicked 21 goals with the Gold Coast from 2011 to 2018. May joined the Demons in 2019 where he is a "rock" in Melbourne's defence. At Melbourne he has recorded 112 games with three goals. In 2021 he was an important member of the Demons' premiership team. In 2020 he was runner-up in the Demons' best and fairest and in 2022, third in the same award. In 2021 and 2022 he was selected in the All-Australian team.

A THRILLING DEMON VICTORY AGAINST THE GOLD COAST SUNS

In Round 8, 2019 at Carrara, Melbourne 8.13 (61) defeated Gold Coast 9.6 (60). The one-point victory was remarkable as Melbourne scored one goal and one behind during the last 49 seconds of play. The final siren sounded one second after Melbourne's last behind.

OVER TO YOU

1. Who is the longest serving Gold Coast Suns' captain?
2. Against which team, between 2013 and 2014, did the Gold Coast Suns record three wins in a row?
3. Who was Gold Coast's first captain? (visual clue right)
4. Who is the current Melbourne player who co-captained the Gold Coast Suns in 2017 and 2018?
5. Which players have been awarded Melbourne's best and fairest on four occasions?
6. What is the first verse of Melbourne's club song?
7. Who has coached the Demons in the most games?
8. How many goals did Garry Lyon score in the 1994 first semi final?
9. Which Gold Coast player won the Brownlow Medal?
10. In what year did Melbourne win its first premiership?



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THIS ROUND IN HISTORY - ROUND 3 AT THE MCG

The biggest Round 3 winner on the MCG is North Melbourne by 127 points in 1994 when the Kangaroos 25.23 (173) defeated Hawthorn 6.10 (46). The highest score in all Round 3 matches on the MCG was registered by Richmond 31.25 (211) in 1985 against St Kilda. The best score in a quarter was also recorded in this game when Richmond kicked 9.7 (61) during the third quarter. In Round 3 there have been seven drawn games, two of which have been at the MCG. The last draw at the MCG in Round 3 was in 1980 when Richmond 18.20 (128) drew with St Kilda 19.14 (128). The most goals kicked by an individual in Round 3 on the MCG is 13 by Essendon's Matthew Lloyd in 1999 against Sydney. The top attendance for a Round 3 game is 90,564 for a Richmond-Essendon game at the MCG in 1982.

STATISTICS FOR MELBOURNE V GOLD COAST

Melbourne v Gold Coast Suns by venue

	Won by Melbourne	Won by Gold Coast	Drawn
Gabba	2	0	0
MCG	5	2	0
Carrara	5	1	0
Syd. Showgrounds	1	0	0
Traeger Park	1	0	0
Docklands Stadium	1	0	0
	15	3	0

Highest Score

Melbourne	24.16 (160)	Rd 7	2016	Carrara
Gold Coast	16.18 (114)	Rd 7	2013	MCG

Lowest Score

Melbourne	7.12 (54)	Rd 7	2013	MCG
Gold Coast	4.6 (30)	Rd 20	2021	MCG

Greatest Winning Margin

Melbourne	98 points	Rd 20	2021	MCG
Gold Coast	60 points	Rd 7	2013	MCG

Last Time They Met – Round 23, 2024, Carrara

	Melbourne	Gold Coast
Quarter time	3.2	3.2
Half time	8.5	7.5
Three-quarter time	11.5	8.6
Full time	18.9 (117)	9.9 (63)

FACT SHEETS ON THE MCC WEBSITE

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BLUEY TRUSCOTT MEMORIAL SHIELD

For the cover story of the Autumn 2019 edition of the Yorker: Journal of the Melbourne Cricket Club Library, **Lynda Carroll** discussed the history of the Bluey Truscott Memorial Shield (pictured right). It is possibly the most prestigious annual award presented by the Melbourne Football Club. An extract of Lynda's article is below:

This is undoubtedly a tangible manifestation of a special – albeit tragic – story. The Shield has meaning for so many people, and fascinating stories lie behind the engraving on each miniature half football securely pinned to the Shield.

The Keith "Bluey" Truscott Memorial Shield is the Melbourne Football Club's perpetual Best and Fairest trophy; an ongoing record of achievement that is complemented by the annual presentation of an individual cup to each winner. It was established by "Checker" Hughes following the wartime death of Squadron Leader Keith "Bluey" Truscott, DFC and Bar. Hughes coached "Bluey" to two premierships with Melbourne, in 1939 and 1940. The first player recognised on the Shield is Donald Cordner, winner in 1943.

A sign of regard and respect, the Shield started off at a regular size, with impressive decorations paying tribute to its importance. John Dellamarta of Southern Cross Trophies – himself a past player at both Melbourne and Collingwood – explains its background. "It would have started as a standard Tilbury & Lewis Shield, with the scrolls and engraving on it." Tilbury & Lewis were renowned local silversmiths and trophy makers...

Dellamarta knows the Shield well. Indeed, he has been one of its major caretakers over more than two decades, adding the second and third layers that make it positively monumental. The original Shield includes every Best and Fairest winner up to and including Ron Barassi in 1964. The second layer takes in everyone from John Townsend in 1965 to David Neitz in 2002, while the most recent layer starts with Russell Robertson in 2003.



OVER TO YOU ANSWERS:

Q1 Gary Ablett Jnr (96 games from 2011 to 2016). **Q2** Melbourne. **Q3** Gary Ablett Jnr. (pictured third from the left on the cover of the Round 2, 2011 "Special Commemorative Issue" of the *AFL Record*). **Q4** Steven May. **Q5** Allan La Fontaine (1935, 1936, 1941 & 1942), Jim Stynes (1991, 1995, 1996 & 1997), Clayton Oliver (2017, 2019, 2021 & 2022). **Q6** "It's a grand old flag, it's a high-flying flag / It's the emblem for me and for you / It's the emblem of the team we love / The team of the red and the blue." **Q7** Norm Smith (310 – 1952-1967). **Q8** 10 goals. **Q9** Gary Ablett Jnr. (2013). **Q10** 1900 – Melbourne 4.10 (34) defeated Fitzroy 3.12 (30) at the East Melbourne Cricket Ground.