



# MELBOURNE CRICKET CLUB

## AFL 2021 ROUND 5 CARLTON V PORT ADELAIDE

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### THE BLUES AND THE POWER AT THE MCG

Today's game is only the fourth encounter between Carlton and Port Adelaide at the MCG. The first was in Round 19, 2005, before a crowd of 16, 371 people. In this match Port held off a determined Carlton side to win by 14 points. The Blues were up by four goals late in the second term but the Power reeled them in and got on top when rain set in after half-time, allowing their bigger bodies to wrestle control from the tenacious Blues. Kane Cornes, Brendon Lade and Peter Burgoyne gained mid-field ascendancy in the second half and they created enough opportunities for the Port forwards to allow them to kick a winning total. The final scores were Port Adelaide 18.15 (123) to Carlton 16.13 (109).

The second MCG clash between the sides did not take place until 2015. This game proved to be a thriller with Carlton holding on to win by four points after being 23 points in front at three-quarter time. A goal to Carlton's Troy Menzel just after the final quarter began increased their margin to 29 points but Port then kicked four unanswered goals to trail by just four points. A Lachie Henderson goal put Carlton nine points up just before time-on but a Travis Boak major for the Power a couple of minutes later brought the margin back to three points. The only score in the final 11 minutes of play was a behind to Carlton and they won by four points. The final scores were Carlton 17.8 (110) to Port Adelaide 16.10 (106).

The most recent Carlton/Port game at the MCG took place in Round 15, 2018, before a crowd of 26,562. The Blues kicked five straight goals in the first term to lead the less accurate Port by six points at the first break – 5.0 to 3.6. The Power got on top in the second term, kicking five goals to one to hold a 19 point lead at the main break – 8.9 to 6.2. Only 17 points were scored in the third term – all of them by Carlton. The Blues trailed by just two points heading into the final quarter – 8.7 to 8.9 – but Port kicked five goals to two in the final stanza to win comfortably by 21 points. The final scores were Port 13.12 (90) to Carlton 10.9 (69).

### PLAYED FOR BOTH

Originally recruited from Epping, **Brent Heaver** began his AFL career with Melbourne, making a brilliant debut with five goals in the Round 11 match against Carlton in 1990. He played eight more games for the Demons in 1990 and three in 1991 before being delisted. Heaver was picked up by Carlton in the 1992 mid-season draft and made two senior appearances for the Blues in 1992 before becoming a consistent member of their team the following season. In 1993 he played 23 games, including Carlton's grand final loss to Essendon, and kicked 48 goals to be the second highest goal-kicker for the club behind Stephen Kernahan. He suffered a broken leg late in the 1994 season and was sidelined for a year before returning toward the end of the 1995 season. He did not feature in the Blues' 1995 finals campaign that eventually ended in a premiership. Heaver played 19 further games for Carlton in 1996, making a total of 64 (106 goals), but was traded to Port Adelaide at the end of the season. He totalled 16 games (13 goals) for the Power in 1997 and 1998 before retiring from AFL football.

### OVER TO YOU

1. Who am I? I was the men's singles champion at the Australian Tennis Championships in 1952 and was runner-up at Wimbledon the year before. I won the grand slam (Australian, French, Wimbledon and US championships) in men's doubles in 1951 and was a member of three winning Australian Davis Cup teams. I turned professional in 1953 and played on the tour organised by American Jack Kramer. After retiring from professional tennis, I played five seasons for West Adelaide in the SANFL. My father had won the Magarey Medal playing for the same club in 1926 and 1927.
2. Name Port Adelaide's leading goalkicker in their inaugural AFL season.
3. In which year did Carlton's Gordon Collis win the Brownlow Medal?
4. In which year did Ron Barassi join Carlton as captain-coach?
5. When did Port Adelaide win their only AFL premiership to date?

### FACT SHEETS ON THE MCC WEBSITE

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## This Round in History – Round 5 on the MCG

The two highest scores in Round 5 matches on the MCG are Hawthorn's 31.19 (205) against North Melbourne in 1988 and Richmond's 29.25 (199) against Fitzroy in 1980. Richmond's winning margin of 118 points in the latter game is also the greatest on the MCG in Round 5. The best score in any quarter in Round 5 matches on the MCG was in the above Hawthorn-North Melbourne match when the Hawks kicked 11.7 in the third quarter to extinguish any half-time hopes of a North Melbourne victory. The largest attendance for a Round 5 match was set when 90,508 people gathered at the MCG for the 2007 Collingwood-Essendon ANZAC Day game. This bettered the previous record of 87,549 for the 1996 match between the clubs at the MCG on ANZAC Day.

## Statistics for Carlton v Port Adelaide

### *Carlton v Port Adelaide by venue*

	Won by Carlton	Won by Port Adel.	Drawn
Docklands	4	2	0
MCG	1	2	0
Football Park	7	8	1
Gabba	0	1	0
Princes Park	1	3	0
Adelaide Oval	0	3	0
	13	19	1

### *Highest Score*

Carlton	26.13 (169)	Rd 6	2000	PP
Port Adelaide	25.15 (165)	Rd7	1998	PP

### *Lowest Score*

Carlton	5.7 (37)	Rd 22	2014	AO
Port Adelaide	7.7 (49)	Rd 11	2011	FP

### *Greatest Winning Margin*

Carlton	66 points	Rd 19	2008	Dock
Port Adelaide	103 points	Rd 22	2014	AO

### *Last Time They Met – Round 7, 2020, Gabba*

	Port Adel.	Carlton
Quarter time	4.1	4.2
Half time	6.4	5.4
Three-quarter time	7.6	6.6
Full time	9.10 (64)	9.7 (61)

### **OVER TO YOU ANSWERS:**

**Q1** Ken McGregor. **Q2** Scott Cummings (70 goals).  
**Q3** 1964. **Q4** 1965. **Q5** 2004.

### **EARLY ENCOUNTERS BETWEEN THE TEAMS**

Port Adelaide joined the AFL in 1997 and their first game against Carlton was in Round 10 at Football Park in Adelaide. The Blues led by three points at quarter time (3.4 to 3.1) but they kicked poorly in the second term and the Power kicked five goals to one to lead by 17 points at half-time (8.3 to 4.10). Carlton had reduced the margin to 13 points at the final change (10.7 to 7.12). Port got on top in the final term, however, kicking four goals two to one point to record a convincing win. The final scores were Port Adelaide 14.9 (93) to Carlton 7.13 (55). A crowd of 40,116 witnessed the match. The Brownlow Medal votes all went to Port players – Adam Heuskes (3), Stephen Paxman (2) and Matthew Primus (1).

The Blues went down to the Power by a massive 89 points in the next encounter between the teams in Round 7, 1998, at Princes Park. The final scores were Port Adelaide 25.15 (165) to Carlton 11.10 (76). Warren Tredrea kicked eight goals for the Power, while Josh Francou, Bowen Lockwood and Danny Morton all kicked three. Brad Pearce booted five for Carlton.

Carlton finally recorded a win over Port in Round 22, 1998, at Football Park. The Blues were in control of this game from the start and, after opening up a 31-point lead by quarter time, they increased the margin in every quarter to win by 54 points. The final scores were Carlton 21.12 (138) to Port Adelaide 12.12 (84). Carlton had 11 goalkickers, including Scott Camporeale, Ron De Iulio, Stephen Silvagni and Lance Whitnall, who all kicked three.

### **DID YOU KNOW?**

- Carlton and Port Adelaide have yet to meet in an AFL finals game.
- The only drawn match to date between the teams was in Round 4, 2005, at Football Park. The final scores were Port Adelaide 15.19 (109) to Carlton 16.13 (109).
- The largest attendance for Carlton versus Port Adelaide match is 52,505 for the Round 22 match at the Adelaide Oval in 2014.

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