



# MELBOURNE CRICKET CLUB

## AFL 2022 ROUND 7 COLLINGWOOD V GOLD COAST

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### COLLINGWOOD'S FIRST VFL PREMIERSHIP – 1902

In the first five years of the VFL competition (1897 to 1901) Collingwood was placed consistently in the top four teams on the ladder at the end of the season, without being able to win a premiership. In 1901 after defeating Geelong in a semi final match, the Magpies faced Essendon in the grand final but were defeated by 27 points. Collingwood won four of their first six games in 1902 – losing to Fitzroy by 33 points in Round 4 and Essendon by 25 points in Round 6. After the sixth round they really hit form, however, winning their next eight home and away matches to head the ladder by two clear games. During a mid-season trip to Tasmania the Magpie players had practised the art of the 'stab' pass and they used it very effectively up forward in the latter part of the season to compile some large scores. As had been the case for a few seasons, following the first 14 rounds three rounds of sectional matches were played, the teams finishing first (Collingwood), third (Fitzroy), fifth (Geelong) and seventh (South Melbourne) making up Section A and those finishing second (Essendon), fourth (Melbourne), sixth (Carlton) and eighth (St Kilda) making up Section B. Collingwood won all three of their sectional games to remain on top of the ladder heading into the finals. Under the Argus finals system that operated at the time, first played third in a semi final and in their match against Fitzroy the Magpies suffered their first defeat since Round 6. Essendon won the other semi final over Melbourne and then defeated Fitzroy in the (preliminary) final. Under the rules at the time, Collingwood as minor premiers were able to challenge the winners of the final to a grand final match. This took place at the MCG on Saturday, September 20, before a crowd of over 35,000 people. It was the first VFL grand final match to be played at the MCG. The first half of the grand final was a close affair with Essendon leading by a point at quarter time and Collingwood by a point at half time. The Magpies gained the ascendancy in the third quarter to lead by ten points at the final change and they scored four goals to nil in the last quarter to win the game by 33 points, thus securing Collingwood's first VFL premiership. Teddy Lockwood, who had played for Geelong from 1899 to 1901, kicked three goals for the Magpies as did Ted Rowell. The final scores were Collingwood 9.6 (60) to Essendon 3.9 (27).

### GOLD COAST'S FIRST AFL WIN OVER COLLINGWOOD

Following their entry into the AFL in 2011, the Gold Coast Suns suffered defeats in their first two encounters with Collingwood. They were defeated by 54 points in Round 18, 2011, at Carrara and by 97 points in Round 10, 2012, at the MCG. Heading into their Round 17 clash at Carrara in 2013 the Magpies were in seventh place on the ladder with ten wins (from 15 games), while the Suns were in 14th place with five wins.

A goal to Sam Day early in the first quarter was a promising start for the Suns and they held a slender three point lead at the first break – 3.4 to 2.7. Goals to Jaeger O'Meara and Gary Ablett Jnr within the first five minutes of the second quarter put the Suns 15 points up but Collingwood added the next three goals to take the lead. The Suns responded with two goals to one in the remainder of the quarter to regain a three-point advantage at half time – 7.6 to 6.9. Four goals to one in the opening 20 minutes of the third quarter gave the Suns a comfortable 22-point lead but a late goal to Travis Cloke reduced the margin to 15 points at the final change – 11.7 to 8.10.

Collingwood had the first three scoring shots in the final term and they were only seven points behind with plenty of time remaining for them to win the game. Nevertheless, a goal to Jared Brennan for the Suns, and another to Gary Ablett, seemed to put the game out of Collingwood's reach and this proved to be the case even though Dayne Beams and Paul Seedsman goaled for the Magpies before the siren sounded. The final scores were Gold Coast 13.7 (85) to Collingwood 11.12 (78). The Suns defeated the Magpies by five points in Round 16, 2014, at Carrara but had to wait until Round 7 in 2021 to record their next victory over Collingwood. This was also the Suns' first win over Collingwood at the MCG.

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## This Round in History – Round 7 on the MCG

The highest score on the MCG in Round 7 is 28.12 (180) by North Melbourne against Melbourne 22.11 (143) in 1982. The overall Round 7 record is 37.17 (239) by Geelong against the Brisbane Bears 11.9 (75) at Carrara in 1992. The biggest winning margin at the MCG in Round 7 is 122 points by Melbourne 25.16 (166) when they defeated North Melbourne 5.14 (44) in 1937. The overall Round 7 record is 164 points by Geelong against the Brisbane Bears at Carrara in 1992. The lowest Round 7 score at the MCG since 1925 is 3.9 (27) by North Melbourne against Melbourne 15.21 (111) in 1927. This is the overall Round 7 record since 1925. The most goals by an individual in Round 7 at the MCG is 10 by Sydney's Tony Lockett against Collingwood in 1998. The overall Round 7 record is 17 by Jason Dunstall for Hawthorn versus Richmond at Waverley Park in 1992. The highest score in a quarter for Round 7 at the MCG is 10.3 (63) by the Kangaroos against Adelaide in the first quarter in 1999 and by North Melbourne against Melbourne in the second quarter in 1982. The overall Round 7 record is 14.3 (87) in the fourth quarter by Geelong when playing the Brisbane Bears at Carrara in 1992. The highest Round 7 attendance was in 2000 when 88,390 saw Essendon defeat Collingwood by 40 points at the MCG on Anzac Day.

## Statistics for Collingwood v Gold Coast

### Collingwood v Gold Coast by venue

	Won by Collingwood	Won by Gold Coast	Drawn
Docklands	1	0	0
MCG	2	1	0
Carrara	4	2	0
Gabba	1	0	0
	8	3	0

### Last Time They Met – Round 7, 2021, MCG

	Collingwood	Gold Coast
Quarter time	2.3	2.2
Half time	2.8	6.3
Three-quarter time	5.11	9.3
Full time	7.13 (55)	12.7 (79)

### Highest Score

Collingwood	23.11 (149)	Rd 10	2012	MCG
Gold Coast	13.10 (88)	Rd 17	2017	Carrara

### Lowest Score

Collingwood	10.8 (68)	Rd 17	2020	Gabba
Gold Coast	6.10 (46)	Rd 17	2020	Gabba

### Greatest Winning Margin

Collingwood	97 points	Rd 10	2012	MCG
Gold Coast	24 points	Rd 7	2021	MCG

### FACT SHEETS ON THE MCC WEBSITE

The MCC Library's matchday fact sheets can be accessed through the MCC website at: <http://tinyurl.com/mcclcatalogu>

## PLAYED FOR BOTH

**Jarrold Witts** was born in Sydney. Although he had an early interest in Australian Rules football, he switched allegiances later in his childhood to rugby union in winter and cricket in summer. In cricket, he showed his talent by being selected in the NSW "Emerging Blues" squad alongside future Australian captain Pat Cummins. Nevertheless, when he was 15 he was convinced by school friends to return to Australian Rules and he joined the Under 16 side at St Ives Football Club. While playing for St Ives he was scouted by Collingwood and he quickly accepted a NSW scholarship to join the Magpies. He was selected in the Sydney University Under 18 team in 2009 and played for Greater Western Sydney's TAC Cup team in 2010. In 2011 he was elevated to Collingwood's senior list and he made his AFL debut for the Magpies in Round 6, 2013, against St Kilda. He played 40 games in the ruck for Collingwood from 2013 to 2016, kicking 18 goals. Witts was traded to the Gold Coast by Collingwood at the end of the 2016 season and made his debut for the Suns in the first round of the 2017 season against the Brisbane Lions. He was named Gold Coast co-captain (alongside David Swallow) in 2019 and was the Sun's Club Champion for the 2019 season. He ruptured his ACL in the third round of 2021 against Adelaide and missed the remainder of the season. At 209cm he is one of the tallest players in the AFL.

**Danny Stanley** was recruited by Collingwood with pick 21 in the 2005 AFL Draft. A forward/midfielder he played with the Geelong Falcons and spent from 2007 to 2009 on the Magpies' senior list. During this period he made five senior appearances for Collingwood – two in 2007, two in 2008 and one in 2009. He was de-listed by Collingwood at the end of the 2009 season and briefly trained with Fremantle before being picked up by the Gold Coast Suns in the 2010 Pre-Season Draft. He made his debut for the Suns in their first AFL match against Carlton in Round 2, 2011, (the Suns had a bye in Round 1) and played all 22 home and away games that season. He also kicked 20 goals to lead the Suns' goalkicking. He made 13 senior appearances in 2012, 18 in 2013 and 22 in 2014, but was only able to manage eight games in 2016 due in the main to significant injuries that kept him on the sidelines. De-listed at the end of the 2015 season, Stanley was retained by the Suns via the 2016 Rookie Draft and hoped to resume his AFL career. A broken leg in a NEAFL game put an end to this, however, and he was de-listed again in 2016. He had totalled 83 games with the Suns and kicked 39 goals. His AFL career over, Stanley moved into the property field.