SOME MEMORABLE MATCHES BETWEEN THE SIDES

Geelong and Hawthorn in the past have played a number of thrilling home and away and finals matches. The following are some of their notable games from earlier years: In Round 5, 1957, eventual wooden spooners Geelong played Hawthorn, a top side at that time, at Kardinia Park. The scores at three quarter time were Geelong 8.8 (56) to Hawthorn 1.17 (23). Fred Wooller (right) kicked four goals to help the Cats to a 27 point win. In Round 5, 1980 the two sides met on a Friday, the first ever league game for Geelong on a Friday. This was played on Anzac Day. The Cats ran out winners in a close encounter – 14.10 (94) to 13.11 (89). In Round 22, 1987, again at Kardinia Park, Geelong went down to the Hawks in a close and high scoring game. Three goals up at the last change, the Cats held on until , in the last minute and a half, Hawk full forward Jason Dunstall scored two goals to snatch a thrilling three point victory. This displaced Geelong from the finals and they finished sixth, outside the five team finals setup.

FRED WOOLLER (Geelong)
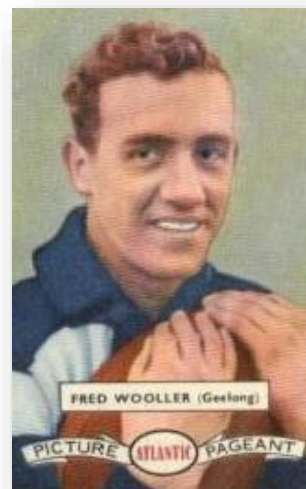
EASTER MONDAY FOOTBALL AT THE MCG

The inaugural Easter Monday match at the MCG was in 1954 when Melbourne lost to Collingwood before a crowd of 45,848. Richmond's first match as an MCG tenant was against Melbourne on Easter Monday 1965. In 1982 Richmond and Essendon drew a record Easter Monday crowd of 90,564. An Easter Monday match at the MCG became a regular fixture in 1990. Since then Hawthorn has played seven "home" games in that slot, Geelong five, Essendon four, Melbourne and Carlton three, and Richmond and Collingwood two. Probably the best remembered incident from those matches is Mick McGuane's seven bounce run during the second quarter of the Magpies' match against Carlton in 1994. Taking the ball from a centre bounce, McGuane headed for the wing, cut back in at half-forward, feinted a kick to baulk a tackler and then, after a seventh bounce, slotted through a goal. It would be judged the Channel 7 Sportsworld Goal of the Year.

In 2002 Melbourne kicked 10 unanswered goals from midway through the first quarter to eight minutes into the final quarter before Hawthorn booted the next nine in 27 minutes, including eight in 14 minutes. Hawthorn's Jade Rawlings kicked two goals without a centre bounce, with Melbourne's Nathan Brown being the offender. Melbourne still won by 26 points.

GEELONG VERSUS HAWTHORN ON EASTER MONDAY

The AFL decided that from 2010 onwards, Geelong and Hawthorn would begin a tradition of Easter Monday matches, the Beyondblue Cup being presented for the first time that year. These clubs have met eight times on Easter Monday at the MCG, and the Cats have won six of those matches. Geelong also won the 2011 Easter Tuesday match against the Hawks. It was played on Tuesday as Easter Monday fell on Anzac Day that year. This allowed the traditional Anzac Day match between Collingwood and Essendon to proceed. The Collingwood v Essendon match drew a crowd of 89,626, which is the largest Easter Monday match attendance since 1982. The largest attendance for the Geelong v Hawthorn Easter Monday match was 80,222 in 2014.

Of the Geelong victories the 2012 Easter Monday match was memorable. After a tight first half the Hawks established an 18-point lead at the final break. Sparked by Jimmy Bartel, the Cats then kicked 4.1 to their opponents' 0.5 to win by two points. In the Round 1, 2013 match, the Hawks led by 20 points at half time, but the Cats kicked eight goals to Hawthorn's four in the second half to run out winners by seven points. The 2016 match is best remembered for Patrick Dangerfield's 43 possessions in his first game for the Cats (18 kicks and 25 handballs), his team winning by 30 points. In 2017 Geelong 20.14 (134) beat Hawthorn 6.12 (48).

Hawthorn's first Easter Monday win against Geelong came in 2015 when they kicked 17.21 (123) to Geelong's 8.13 (61). The Hawks' second win was a classic in 2018. Geelong's team featured Patrick Dangerfield, Joel Selwood and Gary Ablett in the middle for the first time. The Hawks led by 25 points early in the last quarter, before the Cats, got a run on to draw level at the 26-minute mark when Brandan Parfitt goaled. Jarryd Roughead, Hawthorn's captain, kicked the winning point with a minute left. Ablett had 35 disposals, while Dangerfield had 31 and Selwood 29.

SHEETS ON THE MCC WEBSITE

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

EASTER MONDAY FOOTBALL AT THE MCG

DATE	RND	HOME TEAM				AWAY TEAM				MARGIN	ATT
19/04/1954	1	Melbourne	9	10	64	Collingwood	15	12	102	-38	45,848
18/04/1960	1	Melbourne	14	15	99	North Melbourne	5	14	44	55	36,966
19/04/1965	1	Richmond	6	5	41	Melbourne	7	5	47	-6	36,283
15/04/1968	1	Melbourne	14	10	94	Fitzroy	12	18	90	4	25,064
7/04/1969	1	Richmond	15	21	111	Essendon	12	10	82	29	62,152
12/04/1971	2	Richmond	10	9	69	Collingwood	16	10	106	-37	82,191
3/04/1972	1	Richmond	16	9	105	Collingwood	14	17	101	4	72,659
23/04/1973	3	Melbourne	11	9	75	Carlton	11	16	82	-7	49,439
15/04/1974	2	Melbourne	11	20	86	St Kilda	14	16	100	-14	36,708
19/04/1976	3	Richmond	14	18	102	North Melbourne	12	11	83	19	41,413
11/04/1977	2	Richmond	19	6	120	Hawthorn	17	17	119	1	42,192
16/04/1979	2	Richmond	13	18	96	Carlton	23	9	147	-51	59,942
12/04/1982	3	Richmond	25	22	172	Essendon	16	14	110	62	90,564
31/03/1986	1	North Melbourne	15	11	101	Sydney	20	6	126	-25	22,579
4/04/1988	1	Richmond	16	12	108	Melbourne	23	16	154	-46	34,824
16/04/1990	3	Melbourne	18	14	122	Essendon	14	11	95	27	59,894
1/04/1991	2	Richmond	17	7	109	Essendon	16	17	113	-4	31,793
20/04/1992	5	Melbourne	14	14	98	Collingwood	19	17	131	-33	63,711
12/04/1993	3	Essendon	16	13	109	Collingwood	21	13	139	-30	87,638
4/04/1994	2	Carlton	9	12	66	Collingwood	14	16	100	-34	85,063
17/04/1995	3	Essendon	14	14	98	Melbourne	12	10	82	16	60,057
8/04/1996	2	Collingwood	27	11	173	Melbourne	11	13	79	94	53,268
31/03/1997	1	Essendon	16	10	106	Carlton	15	9	99	7	82,363
13/04/1998	3	Carlton	14	14	98	Essendon	14	15	99	-1	68,177
5/04/1999	2	Carlton	15	22	112	Collingwood	12	11	83	29	70,506
24/04/2000	7	Richmond	10	9	69	Carlton	18	12	120	-51	63,149
16/04/2001	3	Melbourne	18	16	124	Geelong	15	14	104	20	48,551
1/04/2002	1	Hawthorn	15	13	103	Melbourne	20	9	129	-26	43,484
28/03/2005	1	Collingwood	11	14	80	Western Bulldogs	16	16	112	-32	53,259
9/04/2007	2	Hawthorn	17	14	116	Melbourne	14	10	94	22	43,197
5/04/2010	2	Hawthorn	13	13	91	Geelong	14	16	100	-9	68,628
25/04/2011	5	Essendon	11	11	77	Collingwood	16	11	107	-30	89,626
9/04/2012	2	Geelong	14	8	92	Hawthorn	13	12	90	2	69,231
1/04/2013	1	Hawthorn	12	14	86	Geelong	13	15	93	-7	76,300
21/04/2014	5	Geelong	15	16	106	Hawthorn	12	15	87	19	80,222
6/04/2015	1	Hawthorn	17	21	123	Geelong	8	13	61	62	73,584
28/03/2016	1	Geelong	18	8	116	Hawthorn	12	14	86	30	74,218
17/04/2017	4	Hawthorn	6	12	48	Geelong	20	14	134	-86	62,360
2/04/2018	2	Geelong	18	9	117	Hawthorn	17	16	118	-1	73,189

DID YOU KNOW?

Geelong footballers first wore blue and white hooped jerkins in 1876. Founded in 1859, its players alternated between red or blue apparel from 1859 to 1861, wore red tops in 1862 and from 1865 to 1871, and white jerseys with a blue vertical stripe in 1863 and 1864. From 1872 until 1875 Geelong played in all-white jumpers that were dubbed the "flour bag" uniform. On May 24, 1876, the Queen's Birthday holiday, Geelong first donned their new hooped uniforms against East Melbourne at the Argyle ground, Geelong. Geelong won five goals to nil.

OVER TO YOU

Name the three players in Hawthorn's 1961 premiership team who were called "Mort" by teammates?

DID HE REALLY SAY THAT?

"It's basically the same, just darker" – Jonathan Brown, comparing the merits of night versus day football.
"Strangely, in slow motion replay, the ball seemed to hang in the air for even longer." – Dermott Brereton.

VALE GARRY SIDEBOTTOM

Coming from Swan Districts in the WANFL, Garry Sidebottom started his AFL (then VFL) football career with St Kilda in 1978 as a ruckman, changing at centre half forward. A fearless and powerful player, he played 54 games with the Saints, kicking 86 goals, and was their leading goalkicker in 1979. He captained the club in 1980, but his contract was not renewed at the end of the year and he went off to Geelong. He played just seven games for the Cats in 1981, kicking six goals. Sidebottom is best remembered for missing the Geelong team bus to Waverley Park for the 1981 Preliminary Final, due to a breakdown in communications, and being replaced in the team by Peter Johnston who had been relaxing in the stand before the game. Suspended for an "unsatisfactory attitude" during the 1981 season, he left Geelong and joined Fitzroy, coached by Robert Walls, where he played 43 games and kicked 53 goals before returning to Swan Districts in 1985. Sadly, Garry Sidebottom died on 28 March, at the age of 64, after a long battle with cancer.

VALE JOHN WINNEKE AC, RFD, QC

Recruited by Hawthorn from University Blacks, John Winneke is described by *australianfootball.com* as a "lanky, somewhat rawboned ruckman". He played in the Hawks' first premiership side in 1961 and played just 50 games (3 goals) for the club from 1960 to 1962, when he gave up the game to pursue a legal career. Admitted to legal practice in 1962, he was appointed a Queen's Counsel in 1976. In 1995 he was appointed a judge of the Supreme Court of Victoria and also the first President of the Court of Appeal. He retired from the bench in July 2005. He was an AFL Commissioner from 1993 to 1995, a member and Chairman of the AFL Appeals Tribunal from 1977 to 1993 and a member and Chairman of the VFL Discipline Tribunal from 1967 to 1975. He is quoted as having said: "My whole life has been devoted to sport and to work and I have enjoyed sport as much as work" and "to my detriment I still follow Hawthorn with keen interest". Sadly John Winneke passed away on April 4, 2019.

THE START OF A TRADITIONAL RIVALRY? (AND BIASED REPORTING?)

The *Geelong Advertiser* of August 25, 1876, gave us the following report:

GEELONG COLLEGE V. HAWTHORN GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

Yesterday afternoon the first twenties of the Geelong College and the Hawthorn Grammar School met on the Argyle reserve to try their strength. When ranged in line before the game commenced the visiting team appeared to have a decided advantage, as far as weight was concerned, and it was expected that the Collegians would meet with a defeat. The result, however, was different. When the ball was kicked off by the Grammarians, the Collegians having won the toss, and thus obtained the advantage of kicking with the wind, which was blowing freshly, it was kept in the centre of the ground for some time; then it was taken down to the Grammarians goal After this the fun was fast and furious, the scholars defending their goal right manfully, and spills being frequent. Several times the visitors forced the ball well up the ground, but the wind was too strong for them to get it close to the goal After about twenty minutes' play, Macdonald, for the College, obtained a mark, and by a fine kick, sent the leather close up to the goal A scrimmage then took place about fifteen yards from the sticks near the upper fence, out of which. Reed very cleverly popped the ball into Robbie's hands by a little mark. Robbie took his kick, and very sensibly kicked in front, instead of trying to put the ball between the sticks, the result being that a little fellow named Mogg marked it for the College. He stepped back, and at once punted the hall through, amidst the plaudits of his comrades. Shortly afterwards one of the Hawthorn players, who had shown on several occasions how nicely he could hug the ball, committed such a breach of the rules that the umpire was bound to notice it. A free kick was given to Macdonald, who, by a splendid place kick, put the second goal to the credit of the College. A few seconds before time the ball was again put between the posts for the College, but the goal umpire appeared to be suffering, to say the least of it, from an optical illusion, as he disallowed the point. When sides were changed, the Hawthorn players "wired in," and with the wind, which had so effectively assisted their opponents strove to equalise matters. For a long while they were unsuccessful, Robbie, Longden, Gibb, and Murray working well together and saving two or three goals. After forty minutes play Burrowes scored for Hawthorn, this being the only goal secured by them when time was called, leaving the College team victorious by two goals to one. The game could not be called a friendly one, as bad feeling was engendered through the visiting team holding and playing viciously. The College played the proper game until they found the umpire winked his eye at the way in which the rules were broken through, and then they went in to play roughly, and won. The conduct of Hepburn, the captain of the visiting team, called forth unmistakeable signs of disapprobation from the spectators, his play being without doubt indefensible. The team was suitably entertained by the Collegians in the evening. Mr Prevot acted as central umpire.

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 Hawthorn v Geelong

Hawthorn v Geelong by venue

	Won by Hawthorn	Won by Geelong	Drawn
Corio	1	12	0
Docklands	3	4	0
Glenferrie	18	16	0
Kardinia Park	16	31	1
MCG	11	19	0
Princes Park	11	3	0
Waverley Park	13	4	0
York Park	1	0	0
	74	89	1

Most Goals in a Match

12	Jason Dunstall	Haw	Rd 1	1990	Wav
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10	Wally Culpitt	Haw	Rd 3	1944	GO
10	Lindsay White	Geel	Rd 1	1950	GO

Highest Score

Hawthorn	35.15 (225)	Rd 21	1986	PP
Geelong	25.13 (163)	Rd 6	1989	PP

Lowest Score

Hawthorn	3.6 (24)	Rd 9	1933	Corio
Geelong	5.10 (40)	Rd 8	1975	Wav

Greatest Winning Margin

Hawthorn	135 points	Rd 21	1986	PP
Geelong	109 points	Rd 9	1933	Corio

Last Time They Met – Round 21, 2018, MCG

	Hawthorn	Geelong
Quarter time	0.4	2.4
Half time	5.8	2.6
Three-quarter time	9.10	5.8
Full time	10.11 (71)	8.12 (60)

ONE HUNDRED YEARS AGO

A June edition of the 1919 *Football Record* advised of some "goings-on" at entrance gates:
"There has been a suspicion that some gate men have been playing the wrong game at some of the grounds by accepting money from people who are too eager to get in without the trouble of buying their tickets in the usual way. One club sends a committeeman round to each gate to keep an eye open for any such irregularity. Recently detectives were on the job, and threw a scare into two or three gate men."

SOME IMPORTANT DATES IN THE HISTORY OF THE VFL AND AFL

1897 – Behinds were first included in teams' scores. This was to solve the problem of many drawn matches.

1904 – Boundary umpires were introduced for the first time. Previously the field umpire had returned to ball into play. Originally, the boundary umpire would face the players and punch the ball into play. This was later changed to the present system to avoid any allegations of bias.

1948 – *The Argus* newspaper provided colour photos of the football in its daily editions. This was some three decades before newspapers in Australia published in colour on a regular basis.

1955 – A 15 yard penalty rule was introduced to penalise a player for time wasting. This was to try to rid the game of "professional free kicks". However, this was not effective enough and in 1988 the distance was increased to the current 50 metres.
Also in 1955, trainers, who had been allowed on the ground during play only to attend to injuries, were permitted to pass on messages from the coach. There is no doubt this had been going on for some time previously.

1959 – The League instituted the presentation of a Premiership Cup and later awarded retrospective cups back to the beginning of the competition.

1969 – Umpires were advised to award a free kick against a team that had kicked the ball out of bounds on the full.

1994 – Increasing prosperity and professionalism saw the number of interchange players increased from two to three. In 1998 this was increased again to four.

OVER TO YOU ANSWER: Ian Mort, Morton Browne, and Graham "Mort" Arthur. Arthur's nickname was derived from the Sir Thomas Malory book *Le Morte d'Arthur*, which was written in 1485 and detailed many of the stories about the legendary British King Arthur and the Knights of the Round Table.