AFL 2019 Round 22 **Carlton v St Kilda**	MELBOURNE CRICKET CLUB **LIBRARY**	**Saturday** **August 17, 2019** FACT SHEET
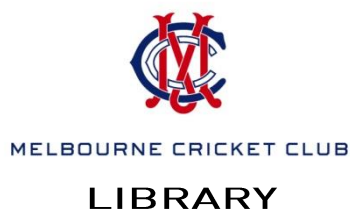
ST KILDA'S FIRST FINAL

St Kilda, a foundation member of the VFL, first appeared in the finals in 1907. The club had enjoyed little success in the VFL prior to this. In each of the competition's first six seasons (1897-1902), St Kilda had finished on the bottom ladder, winning only two games of the 99 games they played. They improved to fifth place in 1903 with seven wins and a draw (from 17 games) but then finished eighth in 1904 (3 wins; 14 losses), seventh in 1905 (4 wins; 13 losses) and sixth (6 wins; 11 losses) in 1906. The 1907 season was the first in which St Kilda won more games than they lost, the club finishing with nine wins and eight losses to take third position on the ladder. Thereby, the Saints faced Carlton, who had finished on top of the ladder, in their first ever final. In the first round of the 1907 season St Kilda defeated Carlton by 26 points at Princes Park, this being their first VFL win at Carlton's home ground and only their second win over the Blues in VFL competition. In the return match at the Junction Oval in Round 8, Carlton won by 29 points. The semi final was played before a crowd of 26,100 at the MCG. Unfortunately for St Kilda, it turned out to be a one-sided affair with Carlton leading at every change and eventually running out winners by 56 points. The final scores were Carlton 13.13 (91) to St Kilda 4.11 (35). Mick Grace (pictured taking a mark during this match) kicked four goals for Carlton and Dick Harris three, while Dave McNamara booted three of St Kilda's four majors. Carlton went on to play South Melbourne in the grand final, winning a close encounter by five points to make it two premierships in a row. The Blues then captured another flag in 1908 to become the first VFL club to win three premierships in succession.

A PEEP INTO THE ROOMS

The *Melbourne Punch* football columnist "System" visited the rooms of both clubs before the 1907 semi final:

Carlton's dressing-room is characteristic of their play – The veterans take things calmly, getting their rub and chatting easily about the coming match. No excitement is noticeable, the trainers do their work quietly and well, and their charges look fit for anything as the sunlight streams through the window on their muscular bodies, everything is done quietly and orderly.

St Kilda dressing-room is the reverse of Carlton. Everything is bustle and excitement. Barrackers, players, trainers, boots, togs and a stray dog are all tangled up together. One celebrated player puts his trousers on the wrong side round. Another togs himself and is wearing his ordinary boots for ten minutes before he discovers his mistake. The whole room is one babble.

DID YOU KNOW?

Carlton and St Kilda have only played two draws in AFL/VFL competition. The first of these was in Round 16, 1950, at Princes Park – Carlton 12.11 (83) drew with St Kilda 11.17 (83). The second was in Round 14, 1956, also at Princes Park. In this match, the scores were not only tied at full-time, Carlton 8.18 (66) to St Kilda 9.12 (66), but also at quarter-time, 4.3 (27) apiece, and at three-quarter time, Carlton 7.15 (57) to St Kilda 8.9 (57). St Kilda led by six points at half-time.

OVER TO YOU – ASSOCIATED WITH BOTH CLUBS

1. I played 144 games for Carlton from 1929 to 1937. I then moved to St Kilda as captain/coach from 1938 to 1940.
2. I was a member of premiership teams for the Blues in 1981 and 1982, playing a total of 132 games for Carlton from 1977 to 1986. I then moved to St Kilda and played 53 games from 1987 to 1989. I coached the Saints from 1990 to 1993.
3. I was born in New Zealand and played 92 games with Carlton from 1978 to 1985. I was selected on the bench in their 1982 premiership side. I ended my playing career with 31 games for St Kilda from 1986 to 1988.
4. A rover, I was a three-time premiership player for Carlton (1979, 1981 and 1982). After 134 games with the Blues from 1979 to 1986, I moved to St Kilda where I played 24 games in 1987 and 1988.
5. I was a Carlton premiership player in 1906, 1907 and 1908 then coached the Blues to premierships in 1914 and 1915. I later had a stint coaching St Kilda in 1925 and 1926.

This Round in History – Round 22 on the MCG

The highest Round 22 score at the MCG is 25.20 (170) by Hawthorn against Richmond 13.8 (86) in 1992. The overall Round 22 highest score is 32.16 (208) by Essendon against Footscray 9.8 (62) at the Western Oval in 1982. The highest score in a quarter is 10.4 (64) by North Melbourne in the second quarter against Fitzroy in 1991 (Fitzroy won by a point) and by Richmond against Fitzroy in the last quarter in 1988 (Richmond won by 103 points). The overall Round 22 record is 13.4 (82) by Essendon against Footscray in the third quarter at the Western Oval in 1982. The biggest bag of goals is 12 by Jason Dunstall for Hawthorn against Richmond in 1992 (see above for match scores). This is also the overall Round 22 goalkicking record. The largest Round 22 attendance is 87,984 when Essendon played Carlton at the MCG in 1995.

Statistics for Carlton v St Kilda

Carlton v St Kilda by venue

	Won by Carlton	Won by St. Kilda	Drawn
Docklands	7	16	0
Junction Oval	45	14	0
MCG	6	5	0
Moorabbin	15	7	0
Princes Park	80	8	2
Toorak Park	0	1	0
Waverley Park	8	5	0
Wellington	1	0	0
	162	56	2

Last Time They Met – Round 10, 2019, Docklands

	St Kilda	Carlton
Quarter time	2.2	3.4
Half time	5.7	5.4
Three-quarter time	8.10	6.6
Full time	9.14 (68)	8.7 (55)

Highest Score

Carlton	24.26 (170)	Rd 3	1977	PP
St Kilda	31.10 (196)	Rd 10	2004	Dock

Lowest Score

Carlton	2.5 (17)	Rd 10	1918	JO
St Kilda	1.1 (7)	Rd 9	1915	JO

Greatest Winning Margin

Carlton	140 points	Rd 2	1985	Moor
St Kilda	108 points	Rd 10	2004	Dock

Most Goals in a Match

13	T. Lockett	St K	Rd 21	1991	Wav
13	H. Clover	Carl	Rd 12	1921	JO
12	R. Ditchburn	Carl	Rd 16	1982	Wav
11	P. Schmidt	Carl	Rd 16	1941	PP
10	S. Kernahan	Carl	Rd 20	1989	PP
10	T. Lockett	St K	Rd 2	1989	Moor
10	V. Gardiner	Carl	Rd 15	1911	PP

PLAYED FOR AND COACHED BOTH CLUBS

Alex Jesaulenko played 256 games for Carlton from 1967 to 1979, kicking 424 goals. He was a member of the Blues' 1968, 1970 and 1972 premiership sides and led them to another flag in 1979 as captain/coach. In fact, he was the last playing coach to win an AFL/VFL premiership. Following pay disputes with the club in 1977, Jesaulenko tied his ongoing presence at Carlton to club president, George Harris, remaining in the position, and when Harris was ousted from the presidency at the end of the 1979 season, Jesaulenko decided to leave the Blues. In a deal managed by St Kilda club president, Lindsay Fox, he moved to St Kilda in 1980. While initially acquired as an on-field player only, he was appointed playing coach when the incumbent coach, Mike Patterson, was sacked after Round 2. Jesaulenko played 23 games (20 goals) for the Saints in 1980 and 1981, retiring as a player after Round 8, 1981. He stayed on for a further season as coach in 1982. He was the last person to serve as a captain-coach in the VFL (Malcolm Blight was a playing coach at North Melbourne until Round 16 of the same season, but was not captain during this time). After being captain/coach of Sandgate in the Queensland Football League in 1983 and 1984, Jesaulenko returned to the coaching role at Carlton during the 1989 season after the sacking of Robert Walls. He remained as coach in 1990 but was replaced by David Parkin in 1991.

DID YOU KNOW?

St Kilda has not defeated Carlton in a finals match. The closest finals game between the clubs was a semi final match in 1929 when the Blues won by eight points. The final scores were Carlton 12.9 (81) to St Kilda 11.7 (73).

OVER TO YOU ANSWERS:

Q1 Ansell Clarke. **Q2** Ken Sheldon. **Q3** Warren "'Wow" Jones. **Q4** Alex Marcou. **Q5** Norman "Hackenschmidt" Clark.

FACT SHEETS ON THE MCC WEBSITE

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