



# MELBOURNE CRICKET CLUB

## AFL 2021 ROUND 3 RICHMOND V SYDNEY

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### THE TIGERS' LEADING GOALKICKERS

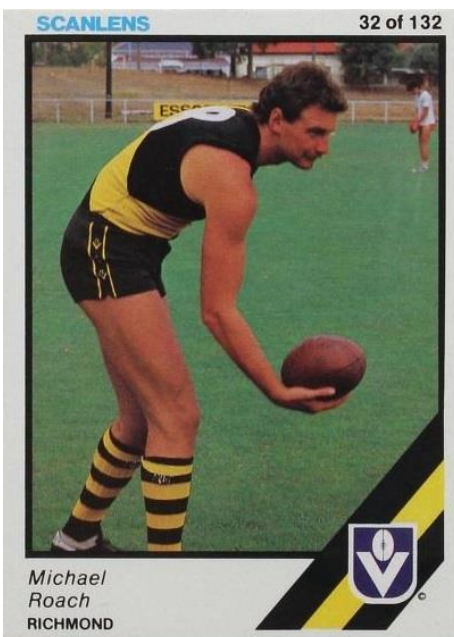
Having entered the Victorian Football League in 1908, it was not until 1920 that a Richmond player headed the League's goalkicking table.

**George Bayliss** (right) played 89 games (217 goals) for Richmond between 1914 and 1923, before going off to Footscray, where he played nine games (18 goals) in 1925. He headed the League goalkicking in 1920 with 63 goals. He kicked two of the Tigers' five goals in their four-point premiership win over Carlton in 1921.



**Dick Harris** came to Richmond after a successful time as a forward for Warrnambool in the Western District Football League. He played 196 games (548 goals) for the Tigers between 1934 and 1944. He headed the League goalkicking twice – in 1937, jointly with Collingwood's Gordon Coventry, and in 1943, this time jointly with Melbourne's Fred Fanning. He kicked three goals in the Tigers' premiership winning side against South Melbourne in 1934, and seven of Richmond's 12 goals in their five-point grand final win against Essendon in 1943.

In 1940 **Jack Titus** joined the Tigers from Castlemaine. A stint of 18 years from 1926 to 1943 saw him play 294 games for the club, amassing a total of 970 goals. He was a member of their premiership sides of 1932 and 1934 and was their leading goalkicker in 1929 and 1930 and every year from 1934 to 1942. He won the club's best and fairest award in 1929 and 1941 and was the League's leading goalkicker in 1940 with a total of 100 goals. In 1996 Titus was inducted into the AFL Hall of Fame and in 1999 he was selected at full forward in the Tigers' Team of the Century. Last year he was granted Immortal status in Richmond's Hall of Fame.



In 1980 a Tiger headed the list again. **Michael Roach** (left) was one of a number of great players to come to the League from Tasmania. Originally from Longford, Roach played 13 seasons (200 games, 607 goals) with the club from 1977 to 1989. He headed the League's goalkicking in 1980 (112 goals) in Richmond's premiership year, and 1981 (86 goals). He was the club's leading goalkicker in 1979-1981, 1983 jointly with Kevin Bartlett, and 1985-1987.

Last on the list is current player **Jack Riewoldt** who has been with the club since 2007. Another Tasmanian, Riewoldt came to the Tigers from the Tassie Mariners in the TAC Cup competition. In 2010 he headed the League goalkicking, jointly with the Western Bulldogs' Barry Hall. He repeated the performance in 2012, this time jointly with Hawthorn's Lance Franklin and Fremantle's Matthew Pavlich. He repeated the feat again in 2018, this time on his own, with 70 goals. Injury problems in 2019 saw him play just 13 games and kick 24 goals, including five in the club's win over Greater Western Sydney in the grand final. Last year he was the Tigers' leading goal kicker again with 33 goals, kicking two goals in the club's 2020 premiership win.

### OVER TO YOU

1. Tony Lockett was a star full forward for St Kilda and the Sydney Swans, becoming the highest goal scorer in the history of the VFL/AFL game. How many goals did he kick in his career?
2. In what year did Richmond win its first flag, and who was its coach?

## This Round in History – Round 3 on 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 Richmond v South Melbourne/Sydney

### *Richmond v Swans by venue*

	Won by Richmond	Won by Swans	Draw
Docklands	4	2	0
Punt Road	26	22	0
MCG	27	15	0
Lake Oval	31	26	1
SCG	11	17	0
Waverley Park	5	2	0
Junction Oval	1	2	0
Windy Hill	1	0	0
Princes Park	1	0	0
Stadium Aust.	1	1	0
Gabba	1	0	0
	109	87	1

### *Highest Score*

Richmond	26.11 (167)	Rd 16	1975	LO
Sydney	31.12 (198)	Rd 18	1987	SCG

### *Lowest Score*

Richmond	3.8 (26)	Rd 15	1909	LO
Sydney	3.8 (26)	Rd 6	2020	Gabba

### *Greatest Winning Margin*

Richmond	107 points	Rd 16	1975	LO
Sydney	118 points	Rd 7	2006	Dock

### *Most Goals in a Match*

12	J. Baggott	Rich	Rd 9	1928	PR
12	T. Lockett	Syd	Rd 19	1996	SCG
10	W. Capper	Syd	Rd 8	1986	SCG

### *Last Time They Met – Round 6, 2020, Gabba*

	Richmond	Sydney
Quarter time	3.3	1.3
Half time	3.5	2.3
Three-quarter time	4.7	2.5
Full time	4.10 (34)	3.8 (26)

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

**Q1.** 1360 goals 590 behinds, an accuracy of 70%, an average per game of 4.84.

**Q2.** 1920, Dan Minogue, who also captained the side.

### **A TEA BREAK**

The *Football Record* of May 25, 1963 tells us of a problem that arose (or maybe not) for the late, great South Melbourne player, Laurie Nash:

“In 1946 Laurie was coaching Wangaratta in the O. (Ovens) and M. (Murray) League. Early in the season he was approached by a group of farmers from the nearby Kelly country to coach their team in the Sunday league. Laurie explained that he would have to ask permission of the Wangaratta Club, and after the O.K. journeyed out to Greta to train the locals for their first big game... At 2 o'clock Laurie assembled them all in the dressing room and gave them his stirring pre-match address. The boys raced out and played a terrific first half... With five minutes remaining before the 3rd quarter started, Laurie hopped up onto the seat to give the boys another bash – but, lo and behold, plenty of supporters but not a player in sight. ‘Where are they all?’ cried out Nash, and was informed they were all outside at the back of the dressing room. Out dashed the great L.J. to check on his charges, and there they were all lined up with the Ladies Committee enjoying hot cups of tea, scones, and cream cakes! For once Laurie was dumbfounded and couldn't say a word. At the end of the '46 season the boys from Greta gave a dinner in honour of Laurie Nash as he had pulled off a remarkable double, having coached both Wang and his Sunday team to premiers. Naturally there were speeches and the only thing the skipper said was that his boys were crooked on Nashy for cutting out the afternoon tea and cakes. Now both Laurie and Jack Dyer say this is a true story, but you know these scallywags, too.”

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