



MELBOURNE CRICKET CLUB

AFL 2022 ROUND 3 MELBOURNE V ESSENDON

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PLAYED WITH BOTH CLUBS

Tony Elshaug, originally from Bentleigh, played with three VFL clubs: Melbourne (1979-1983) in 66 games with 92 goals, Essendon (1984-87) in 65 games with 75 goals and Collingwood (1988) in six games with four goals. A rover, he was a member of Essendon's 1985 premiership side, kicking 37 goals for the season. After a short stint at Collingwood in 1988, he finished his playing career in the Victorian Football Association with Dandenong whom he captained/coached to the 1991 premiership. Elshaug then coached new team, Eastern Rangers, in the TAC Cup for two years then was an assistant coach at North Melbourne Football Club from 1994 to 2002, then Carlton Football Club from 2003 to 2006 and St Kilda from 2007 to 2010. He returned to St Kilda as recruiting manager from 2011 to 2018.

Ken Roberts, a utility player, was the son of a Richmond player of the same name. He started out in the Essendon Under 19s after arriving at the club from the Essendon Baptists St Johns club. He played at Essendon from 1970 to 1977 in 100 games, contributing 111 goals. In 1973 he kicked a career high 36 goals for the season before a knee injury ended his year. He finished his league career in 1978 and 1979 at Melbourne where he played twelve games and kicked 16 goals. From 1980 to 1984 Roberts was captain/coach of the Lavington Football Club, steering them to a premiership in 1983, their first in the Ovens and Murray Football League. In 1985 he captained/coached Queensland club Kedron.

THE DESIGN OF THE CHAS. BROWNLOW TROPHY

Since the Brownlow Medal was created in 1924, changes to its design have been subtle. The Brownlow is made of gold with blue enamel and, like the VFL/AFL's other trophies, it has been fabricated by Cash's since 1947. From the 1950s, the piercings of the original design were filled. In 1989 the piercings returned and the spheres on top of and below the monogram were removed. The following year the League changed its name from the Victorian to the Australian Football League, and the "V" in the monogram was inverted to form an "A". Therefore, the design of Paul Couch's 1989 medal is unique.

Below: Three of the four Brownlow Medal designs (1989 absent)



OVER TO YOU

1. By what nickname was Essendon known during the 1920s?
2. The four Daniher brothers played in the same league match. Name the year and the venue.
3. How many premierships have been won by Melbourne?
4. Who captained Melbourne in the 1988 grand final?
5. What guernsey number did Essendon's John Coleman wear?
6. Which Essendon player scored twelve goals for the club in a match against Geelong in 1957?
7. Who was named full-back in Melbourne's Team of the Century?
8. From which South Australian club was Melbourne's Todd Viney recruited?
9. Who captained Essendon in the 1993 grand final?

FACT SHEETS ON THE MCC WEBSITE

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

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.

Melbourne v Essendon

Melbourne v Essendon by venue

	Won by Melbourne	Won by Essendon	Drawn
Carrara	1	0	0
Docklands	4	3	0
East Melb. CG	3	19	1
Lake Oval	1	1	0
MCG	45	67	1
Princes Park	0	1	0
Punt Road	2	1	0
SCG	1	0	0
Waverley Park	2	6	0
Windy Hill	26	32	0
	85	130	2

Highest Score

Melbourne	25.20 (170)	Rd 2	1937	WH
Essendon	28.16 (184)	Rd 2	2013	MCG

Lowest Score

Melbourne	0.8 (8)	Final	1897	LO
Essendon	1.8 (14)	Final	1897	LO

Greatest Winning Margin

Melbourne	90 points	Rd 15	1927	MCG
Essendon	148 points	Rd 2	2013	MCG

Most Goals in a Match (10 goals or more)

12	Ted Freyer	Ess	Rd 1	1935	MCG
11	George Margitich	Melb	Rd 9	1930	MCG

Last Time They Met – Round 15, 2021, MCG

	Melbourne	Essendon
Quarter time	1.5	2.3
Half time	4.8	4.5
Three-quarter time	8.12	6.7
Full time	9.14 (68)	8.9 (57)

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1000TH VFL/AFL MATCH AT THE MCG

The 1000th VFL/AFL match at the MCG was played on July 6, 1974. The Round 14, encounter was between the ground's co-tenants, Melbourne and Richmond. The Tigers led all day to win comfortably 23.15 (153) to 11.24 (90) before a crowd of 21,146. Mike Green, Kevin Sheedy and Kevin Bartlett, the latter having 32 disposals, dominated the centre clearances, while Robert Lamb booted six goals and Glynn Hewitt kicked four for the winners. Garry Hardeman with 31 disposals, and Greg Wells with 29, tried hard for the Demons.

1000TH VFL/AFL GOAL AT THE MCG

The first VFL/AFL matches were played in 1897, but it would be some years before the 1000th goal in a league match at the MCG was kicked. It occurred in the final played on September 23, 1905, between Fitzroy and Carlton. Carlton rover Archie Snell booted it late in the third quarter. Snell's clever snap recorded his only goal for the day, but it interrupted a run of Fitzroy goals that had threatened to break the game open. Carlton soon kicked another and the Blues went into the final quarter just 11 points down. However, the Roys ran away in the final stanza and won the match handily, 11.6 (72) to 6.9 (45). The following week Fitzroy defeated Collingwood in the 1905 grand final. Snell played 92 games for Carlton and kicked 56 goals between 1902 and 1907, as well as a single match for Essendon in 1908. He also played in the Blues' 1904 losing grand final side. While the name Arthur Sylvanus "Archie" Snell is largely forgotten, he will always be the footballer who booted the 1000th League goal at the MCG.

OVER TO YOU ANSWERS

Q1 Essendon was dubbed "The Mosquito Fleet" because it had a squad of talented small players. **Q2** 1990 at Moorabbin. **Q3** 13. **Q4** Greg Healy. **Q5** No. 10. **Q6** Fred Gallagher – Round 8 1957 at Windy Hill. **Q7** Robert "Tassie" Johnson. **Q8** Sturt. **Q9** Mark "Bomber" Thompson.