



# Rosedale worked hard to claim points

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ROSEDALE worked hard in trying conditions to claim the points over Stratford.

The rain hampered play in the opening two terms, before the Blues dominated in the heavy conditions kicking 12 goals straight in the second half to run home comfortable 44 point victors, 19.6 (120) to 11.10 (76).

Clever play by Stratford's best on ground Chris Camm saw the midfielder soccer one through to draw the visitors within one point in the closing minutes of the term.

A goal to Cameron Harwood after the siren gave Rosedale a seven point lead 4.3 (27) to 3.2 (20).

Rosedale looked to make the most of their opportunities early as they goaled either side of the quarter time break. Dale Fleming opening his account after clever play through the middle of the ground saw him on the end of a Nick Diamond kick.

The Swans responded quickly a snap at goal by Steve Nichols bringing the margin back to one point.

Brad Caldwell opened his account splitting the sticks from outside 40. Neither side was able to break clear in a scrappy five minute period as the ball moved back and forward between the two half back lines.

Hard work by Caldwell and Fleming resulted in the ball falling into the safe hands of Rick Galea, who threw the ball on the boot to goal. The Swans worked the ball directly through the corridor to goal through Brett Hudson.

Justin Emery, Harwood, Galea and Caldwell combined for Caldwell's second major prior to half time 7.6 (48) to 5.5 (35).

Rosedale began to stamp its authority on the match in the third term, with Craig Mayman and

Fleming prominent.

A seven third quarter gave Rosedale the upper hand heading into the last quarter, the Blues running out the match stronger to claim a crucial win.

Rosedale's best were Mayman, Fleming and Galea.

Stratford Coach Luke Hederson led from the front kicking four majors while Camm and Noel Jansz battled hard for the Swans.

## Sale vs Boisdale

A huge crowd converged on the Sale City and Boisdale clash which was a game of two parallel halves.

The Bombers hit their straps early as they dominated play, Boisdale extending its 13 point quarter time lead to 32 points at half time.

Boisdale held City to one point in the second quarter as the Bombers led by best on ground Joel Lambourn and Winston Gieschen made easy pickings of the opposition. Continuing their challenge on the scoreboard City continued to dominate in the final term to come within 11 points at the siren, 10.11 (71) to 9.6 (60).

City outscoring the visitors seven goals to three in the second half, Brad Pedder and Clint Counahan instrumental in their sides revival after the main break.

## Woodside vs Churchill

SILVERWARE was on offer at Woodside with the Wildcats and Churchill contesting the inaugural Lakes Oil Challenge Cup.

The highly anticipated clash of the round between lived up to all expectations, reigning premiers Churchill holding on in the dying minutes of the match to win by two points, 7.9 (51) to 7.7 (49).

Churchill led from the onset before the Wildcats dominated the second term, booting four unanswered goals to turn a 16 point deficit into a one goal lead at half

time. At the last change, the Cougars led 5.7 (37) to 5.6 (36).

The two sides answered one another's challenge in the late stages of the match, Churchill holding a one point lead in the dying minutes before registering a second behind before the siren.

St Kilda premiership player Roger Head, presented the cup to Churchill coach Leigh McDonald who was named best on ground for the Cougars.

Ainsley Bannan and Matt McNamara were also impressive for the visitors.

Trek Davis, Troy Underwood and back man Frank Triantafyllou played solid roles for the Wildcats, Davis finishing the match with three goals.

## Heyfield vs TTU

HEYFIELD continued its impressive season with an 34 point win over TTU.

Nathan Wellins kicked four goals for the Kangaroos and midfielder David Kelly was outstanding.

TTU's David Smith and defender Tom Lambert were named among the best, while Wade McNeill finished with four majors.

## Cowwarr vs Gormandale

A best on ground performance by Cowwarr captain Luke Cooper aided the Saints in sealing their second win of the season against Gormandale.

The Saints half time lead saw the home side over the line 12.5 (77) to 10.5 (65).

Saints Chris Stasinowsky and Leo Galea booted four a piece, while Jordon Bourke and Rylan Willhelme were outstanding.

Luke Hegarty and Toby Callanan were the Tigers damaging forwards with three a piece while Shayne Simpson and Jack Rankcom worked tirelessly.