



SURREY PARK PANTHERS

MATCH REPORT UNDER 12'S

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| Round 2: | Surrey Park vs Glen Iris H |
| Date: | 18 April 2010 |
| Scores: | Q1 S.P. 0 Goals 1 Behinds GIH 4 Goals 3 Behinds Q2 S.P. 1 Goals 2 Behinds GIH 1 Goals 0 Behinds Q3 S.P. 2 Goals 1 Behinds GIH 0 Goals 0 Behinds Q4 S.P. 1 Goals 0 Behinds GIH 4 Goals 1 Behinds |

Final Score: Surrey Park defeated by Glen Iris H - 9:4:58 to 4:4:28

Goals: McKay 1, Box 1, Robotis 1 & Mason 1.

A BEAUTIFUL autumn day greeted the under 12's at Surrey Park for our round two encounter with Glen Iris. Glen iris had been promoted from Brown section and couldn't be taken lightly but with conditions like we had anything was possible.

Unfortunately when the siren sounded the boys decided to sit back and watch. Some of our passages of play were terrific and we were applying some pressure but there was plenty to fix. We need to make sure we stay active while we're on the ground, we have strong bodies over the footy and we keep our feet. Too often we were lead to the ball being reactive as opposed to being proactive. Glen Iris had already skipped away to a handsome lead so we had our work cut out for us.

The second quarter was better but we didn't get the reward for effort. Boxy kicked a terrific snap and we were chasing and tackling well but the one goal return wasn't enough. This was made more unrewarding by the fact that Glen iris kicked a late goal to effectively make the quarter a draw. Jezza did a terrific job in the ruck, the Human Pinball was, as always, in everything at ground level and Moose Van driel and H were again amongst the better players. Snibba was getting lots of run and getting in some great handballs but we couldn't put any scoreboard pressure on.

The third quarter was our best for the season. Human Pinball was again prominent and Maso decided to grab the game by the throat. Again, our pressure was terrific and we were working well as a team for our mates. We held Glen Iris scoreless for the quarter putting on two goals two behinds ourselves and things were 'on the up'. Our second goal after the siren from Robo-cop reduced the margin to eleven points and it was game on!

The message at three quarter time was to continue to push forward and apply pressure. Big Mac was at full forward and assured me that if I paid double he'd kick me two goals not one as asked. Two minutes into the last quarter and BANG!! The Big Mac snagged a beauty and the margin was five points. Unfortunately that's where it all stopped. Glen Iris slammed on the next four goals to run out comfortable five goal winners. Terrific efforts of smothers and tackles from Jack Russell in the forward pocket and 'Sandy the Slayer' in the back pocket were matched by a great effort from Jezza on the wing.

Sometimes there's no other option other than to compete so we MUST ensure that we play every game, every quarter and every contest until the umpire blows his whistle.

Next week's tough assignment is Doncaster Heights away. Let's be ready to play.

Message for the week: Keep your feet in all contests and don't be second to the ball!