



MATCH REPORT TACKERS BLACK

Round 4 of the 2011 Season saw the SPJFC Tackers Black Panthers team play a tall, mean Glen Iris team at their home ground with only 17 players on a cold and windy Mothers Day.

The Black Panthers team was lead out by our game day captain's: Thomas Kelly and Jye Preston.

Max Vandersteen opened up the ruck work but was soon moved down to the back line to support Jake Lawrence, Oliver Sheehan, Sam McNidder, Joseph Frania, Joshua Meysztowics and Oliver Sheehan as Glen Iris were extremely quick in moving the ball down to their forward line.

Whilst our centre and wingmen of Angus Macdonald, Rhett Reynolds Thomas Kelly, Andrew Eramo, Jack Helmot and Joshua Alfrenko all try to push the ball up to our forward line to ensure our forwards were kept busy and weren't too cold.

Changes were made at half time as poor old Max Askew, Jonty Braken, Lachlan Blake, Jye Preston and Mac Perry weren't unfortunately seeing too much of the ball in the first half.

It was the 2nd half of the game when the heavens opened up and I think the team had more gusto in their run due to being a smaller team than Glen Iris (or was it the chance to slide around in the mud) who knows but after our half time talk it was good to see the Black Panthers stand up to their taller and meaner players as was highlighted by Mac Perry performance.

The most encouraging signs was the team really started to gel and work together after being slightly intimidated and not giving up and I commend you all on a great effort.

Well done to all players for a courageous, gutsy fourth game of footy.

Bring on round on the Round Robin for Round 5 and let's see the Black Panthers roar!