

25 August

FINALS START THIS WEEKEND

All three of our minor premiers start their finals campaigns this weekend with the Under 19s kicking things off on Saturday at Ivanhoe Park at 2:00pm. We hope to get a big crowd along to support the boys as they take on UHS-VU for a place in the Grand Final and a weeks rest. Please spread the word and get all Ivanhoe people to our home ground! The Seniors and Reserves then play on Sunday at St Bernard's College in Essendon. The Reserves take on MHSOB at 11:40am in what will be a real battle, having beaten each other once this year, for the weeks rest and a place in the big dance. The Seniors then resume battle with St Johns at 2:00pm, also for a place in the Grand Final and a weeks rest, plus promotion to Division 1 for 2016. Like the game on Saturday, it would be fantastic to have all Ivanhoe supporters to these two games to help them take the next step towards the ultimate goal.

THREE MINOR PREMIESHIPS, ONE SEASON

In what is a first for our club in 81 years in the VAFA, we have taken out three Minor Premierships in 2015. Having stitched up the minor premiership a week earlier in the Seniors, both the Reserves and Under 19s needed to win their last games to wrap up their minor premierships. And win they did, making the trifecta a reality. It is testament to the players and coaches efforts so far this year, BUT it is two more wins for each team that we are now focused on.

11 August

JESSICA ON THE BIG STAGE

This weekend sees one of our wonderful trainers, Jessica Dal Pos, playing on the national stage. Jessica will be playing for the Melbourne Football Club's female team against the Western Bulldogs on Sunday at Etihad Stadium. If you can't get to the Docklands on Sunday, you can catch the match live on Channel 7! Congratulations Jess, and good luck. Check out the report on Jess on the Melbourne website, [just click here](#).



Jessica Dal Pos in action for the Darebin Falcons. Photo credit to Kate Dee on Facebook.

10 August

CAPTAIN MITCH LOVELL BAGS A BAKER'S DOZEN

On Saturday our young captain, Mitch Lovell, had a day out. Playing Elsternwick on their small ground, Mitch kicked 7 goals in the first half before bringing up 10 in the last quarter before finishing the game with an amazing 13 goals in the 129 point victory. Those present questioned if it was a club record haul, many could remember Ash Close, Ang Pace and Darren Williams all kicking 12 for the club. Phil Skeggs did some checking and discovered the club record is actually 15, held by Ron Smith in 1936. An amazing day for Mitch, well done mate!



Mitch Lovell gives the Moose head after kicking his 10th on the weekend! Photo courtesy Ross Toogood.

IAFC DISCOVERED – BY ED PAYNTER

Current player Ed Paynter has put together a wonderful video looking at our great club and life at the club in 2015. Ed works in the media department of the AFL, filming, editing and producing videos for their website. Ed also helped in making our film earlier in the year, applying for funding for new floodlights. He has done an amazing job with this video, interviewing coach Paul Harris and filming much of the goings on at Ivanhoe Park. Well done and thanks Ed.

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4 August

WE HIT 100,000 HITS IN MULTICULTURAL WEEK!

In the last week or so our website has reached the 100,000 hit mark. That is a huge number and includes hits from all over the world. It is quite timely that this week is Multicultural Round in the AFL, with over 12,000 people in Australia visiting our page since November 2013. We can add people in the USA (815), Brazil (347), The UK (168), Italy (61), Indonesia (59), Canada (51), India (46), Latvia (43), Philippines (35), Czech Republic (25), Portugal (24), Mexico (21), Spain (20), Germany (19), Argentina (16), NZ (14), Ecuador (12), Singapore (12), Peru (10), Chile (9), UAE (9),

Ireland (9), Thailand (9), France (9), Colombia (9), Japan (8), Malaysia (7), Turkey (7), Venezuela (7), Egypt (6), Pakistan (6), Netherlands (6), Switzerland (6), Vietnam (6), Russian Federation (5), Sweden (5), Algeria (5), Micronesia (5), Saudi Arabia (4), China (4), Bolivia (4), South Africa (4), Romania (4), Greece (3), Sri Lanka (3), Cote D'Ivoire (3), Poland (3), Malta (3), Albania (3), Jamaica (3), Qatar (3), Hong Kong (3), Israel (3), Dominican Republic (3), Lithuania (2), Denmark (2), Slovenia (2), Belgium (2), Belize (2), Austria (2), Panama (2), El Salvador (2), Finland (2), Uruguay (2), Luxemburg (1), Hungary (1), Mongolia (1), Tanzania (1), Nigeria (1), Fiji (1), Mozambique (1), Norway (1), Paraguay (1), Moldova (1), Ukraine (1), Taiwan (1), Bangladesh (1), Suriname (1), Tajikistan (1), Lao (1), Armenia (1), Yemen (1), Korea (1), Morocco (1), Senegal (1), Barbados (1), Azerbaijan (1), Oman (1), Jordan (1), Croatia (1), Iran (1), Serbia (1), Tunisia (1), Macedonia (1), Georgia (1), Nepal (1) and Haiti (1) to our list of supporters. So with all continents, bar Antarctica, represented above, Ivanhoe AFC is truly multicultural online, as well as within our local family.



Our fans live all over the world!

3 August

IS THE AFL READY FOR THE 'MOOSE'?

Former spearhead Ashley Close has been invited to the AFL draft state combine, one of only 6 VFL listed players to get the opportunity in 2015. There is a great write up on the Herald-Sun/Leader website about Ash, check it out by [clicking here...](#)



The Moose celebrating one of his many goals. Photo courtesy Phil Skeggs.



Ash in his Under 19s days! Photo courtesy Ash Close.

2 August

A BIG THANK YOU

At the inaugural Mid-Season Ball last week, the club held a silent auction, our major fundraiser for 2015. Also on the night we held a raffle that also was important. They both proved very popular and the items helped raise important funds for the club. It wouldn't have been the success it was without the kindness of all businesses, companies and individuals who donated prizes for the night. The club would like to thank everyone of those who donated, your support is greatly appreciated. Please support these businesses by utilising their services whenever possible, as they have supported us.



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