



# MELBOURNE CRICKET CLUB

## AFL 2021 ROUND 15 GREATER WESTERN SYDNEY v HAWTHORN

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### PLAYED ON THE WING WITH MELBOURNE, GWS AND HAWTHORN.

Tom Scully played his junior football with the Berwick Junior Football Club and Narre Warren, he also represented Haileybury College and the Dandenong Stingrays Under 18s. He was selected by Melbourne at the No.1 Pick in the 2009 National Draft and was presented with the No. 31 guernsey, made famous by the legendary Ron Barassi. In 2010 and 2011, Scully played 31 games with Melbourne and kicked six goals. In his first season he was an AFL Rising Star nominee and he won the Harold Ball Memorial Trophy as Melbourne's best first year player. He moved to Greater Western Sydney on a six-year contract in 2012. He played 121 games and kicked 67 goals for the Giants from 2012 to 2018. He was also instrumental in helping his new club make the finals for the first time in 2016 and was noted as "the running machine". In 2018 he broke an ankle and, after a long recovery, Scully was traded to Hawthorn. At the Hawks, he played 35 games and kicked 16 goals in 2019 and 2020. He retired in February 2021 with 187 career games and 89 goals.

### DID YOU KNOW?

Greater Western Sydney's first AFL season was in 2012, however, the Giants had played on the MCG the previous season. GWS had entered a team in the 2011 Foxtel Cup, a knock-out competition for clubs from various state league competitions. On April 30, 2011, Greater Western Sydney, then fielding a team in the North-Eastern Australian Football League (NEAFL), faced the Victorian Football League's Northern Bullants in Round 1 of the Foxtel Cup at the MCG. The game was also used as the curtain raiser for the Richmond v Brisbane Lions AFL match. The seasoned Bullants won easily 19.9 (123) to 5.4 (34). Greater Western Sydney's better players that day were Anthony Miles, Dylan Shiel, Jonathan Giles, Curtly Hampton and Steven Clifton.



Left: A 2020 GWS lapel pin. While the club made its AFL debut in 2012, its first ever side played in an Under 18 competition, the 2010 TAC Cup. In 2011 it fielded senior teams in the NEAFL and the Foxtel Cup.

### MILESTONE MATCHES BETWEEN THE HAWKS AND GIANTS

**The Giants' first AFL match against Hawthorn** was in Round 15, 2012 at the MCG. Hawthorn 28.25 (193) defeated GWS 4.7 (31) before a crowd of 26,518. Hawthorn was captained by Jarryd Roughead and coached by Alistair Clarkson. Greater Western Sydney had dual captains in Phil Davis and Callan Ward and were coached by Kevin Sheedy. The leading goalkickers for Hawthorn were Jarryd Roughead with six goals and Lance Franklin with four. The Giants' leading goalkicker was Chad Cornes with two goals.

**The Giants' first win against Hawthorn** occurred in their Round 6, 2015 clash at Giants Stadium, Sydney Showgrounds. Greater Western Sydney 16.12 (108) defeated Hawthorn 14.14 (98) in front of a crowd of 13,556. The victorious Giants were captained by Phil Davis and Callan Ward and coached by Leon Cameron. Their leading goalscorer was Jeremy Cameron with seven goals. The Hawks were captained by Jarryd Roughead and coached by Alistair Clarkson. Jack Gunston, Luke Breust, Jarryd Roughead and Isaac Smith kicked two goals each for the Hawks.

**The Giants and Hawks have only drawn the once.** It was in Round 15, 2017 at York Park, Launceston, when Hawthorn, the host club, scored 14.13 (97) to Greater Western Sydney's 15.7 (97) in front of a crowd of 12,156. The Hawks were captained by Jarryd Roughead, coached by Alistair Clarkson and their leading goalscorer was Will Langford with three goals. GWS were captained by Callan Ward and Phil Davis, coached by Leon Cameron, and their leading goalkicker was Jonathon Patton with six goals.

## This Round in History – Round 15 on the MCG

The highest Round 15 score on the MCG is 27.20 (182) by Essendon against Melbourne 8.12 (60) in 1986. The overall Round 15 record is 28.23 (191) by Hawthorn against Geelong 13.6 (84) at Princes Park in 1977. The most goals by an individual is 11 by Peter Sumich for West Coast against Essendon in 1992 and by Gary Ablett Snr for Geelong against Melbourne in 1993. The overall Round 15 record is 12 which has been recorded by three players – Bob Pratt for South Melbourne against Footscray at the Lakeside Oval in 1934, Peter Hudson for Hawthorn against St Kilda at Glenferrie Oval in 1971 and Simon Beasley for Footscray against Melbourne at the Western Oval in 1985. The highest score in a quarter is 10.5 (65) by Richmond in the last quarter against Hawthorn in 1997. Richmond kicked 22.13 (145) to win by 76 points. The overall Round 15 record for the highest score in a quarter is 12.6 (78) by Geelong against Brisbane at Carrara in 1989. Geelong kicked 22.19 (151) to win by 74 points after leading by only 21 points at three-quarter time. The highest Round 15 attendance at the MCG is 81,099 in 1960 when Melbourne defeated Collingwood by 46 points. This is the overall Round 15 record.

## Statistics for Greater Western Sydney v Hawthorn

### Greater Western Sydney v Hawthorn by venue

	Won by GWS	Won by Hawthorn	Draw
MCG	0	3	0
York Park	0	1	1
Syd. Showground	4	0	0
Manuka Oval	0	1	0
	4	5	1

### Highest Score

GWS	24.14 (158)	Rd 6	2016	Show
Hawthorn	28.25 (193)	Rd 15	2012	MCG

### Lowest Score

GWS	4.5 (29)	Rd 21	2019	Manuka
Hawthorn	7.7 (49)	Rd 5	2020	Show

### Last Time They Met –

#### Round 5, 2020, Syd. Showground

	GWS	Hawthorn
Quarter time	4.1	0.2
Half time	5.2	3.4
Three-quarter time	11.3	7.6
Full time	13.5 (83)	7.7 (49)

### Greatest Winning Margin

GWS	75 points	Rd 6	2016	Show
Hawthorn	162 points	Rd 15	2012	MCG

## THE GIANTS CLUB SONG

Greater Western Sydney's song, *There's a Big Big Sound*, (right) was submitted to the club by Harry Angus, an accomplished trumpeter and member of Australian band The Cat Empire. Angus used traditional footy songs such as the Tiger's *Tigerland* as a template and for inspiration. *There's a Big Big Sound* was released in early 2012 for the club's inaugural AFL season to a little criticism. However, the song has since developed a keen following, and was particularly noticeable in Melbourne during the club's tilt at the 2019 premiership.

*Well there's a big, big sound  
From the west of the town  
It's the sound of the mighty GIANTS  
You feel the ground A-SHAKING  
The other teams are quaking  
In their boots before the GIANTS  
We take the longest strides  
And the highest leap  
We're stronger than the rest  
We're the Greater Western Sydney GIANTS  
We're the biggest and the best  
And we will never surrender  
We'll fight until the end  
We're greater than the rest.*

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