



MELBOURNE CRICKET CLUB

AFL 2021 ROUND 21 HAWTHORN V COLLINGWOOD

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THE HAWKS FIRST WIN AT VICTORIA PARK

After making their first VFL appearance at Victoria Park in 1925, Hawthorn had to wait until 1960 to record a win at Collingwood's home ground. The Magpies had chalked up 28 consecutive home wins against the Hawks before the teams clashed in Round 13, 1960. Hawthorn had gone down by just one point at Victoria Park the previous season and the 1960 Victoria Park encounter was another close affair. The Hawks led for most of the game and held a 15-point advantage at the final change. The Magpies fought back in the final quarter, however, and hit the front late in the game.

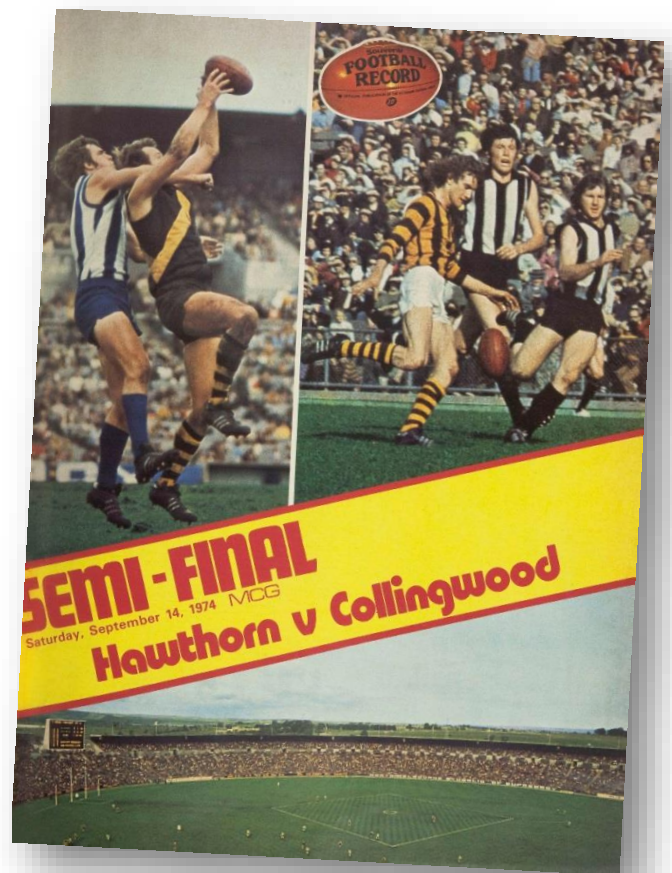
According to Bruce Welch's report in the *Age*, Hawthorn's victory was the result of "a sensational last-minute fight back from the brink of defeat". With Collingwood leading by five points in the dying moments of the match, the Hawks swung the ball up forward where Ian Mort marked strongly. Mort played on and found full forward John Peck 20 yards out straight in front. The siren sounded, Peck went back calmly and slotted the ball between the posts to give Hawthorn a one-point win. The final scores were Hawthorn 7.16 (58) to Collingwood 7.15 (57). Peck's winning goal was his second for the game, while Keith Burns and Barry Harrison both kicked two for the Magpies. The best players for Hawthorn were Brendan Edwards, Les Kaine, John McArthur, Ian Mort, John Elward, Graham Arthur and Peck. The best for Collingwood were Graeme Fellowes, Ken Turner, Peter Rosenbrock, Ron Reeves, Brian Beers and Harrison.

THE FIRST FINAL BETWEEN THE CLUBS

Hawthorn and Collingwood did not meet in a finals match until 1974, 49 years after Hawthorn entered the VFL competition. Collingwood finished fourth on the ladder that season and defeated the fifth-placed Footscray by 69 points in the elimination final. Hawthorn finished third and lost to the second-placed North Melbourne in the qualifying final by 38 points. The Hawks and Magpies then met in the first semi final, which was played at the MCG before a crowd of 86,795.

With Leigh Matthews kicking seven goals, Michael Moncrieff four and Charlie Grummisch three, the Magpies were never in the hunt, trailing by 33 points at quarter time and going down by 50 points at the final siren. The final scores were Hawthorn 21.12(138) to Collingwood 13.10(88).

To everyone's astonishment, Hawk wingman Des Meagher, regarded as one of the competition's mildest players, was reported for striking Ray Shaw. Meagher pleaded guilty "under duress" at the tribunal hearing. He was reprimanded but not suspended and lined up against North in the preliminary final the following week. North won this game by five points but were well beaten by Richmond in the grand final.



OVER TO YOU

1. In which year did Collingwood win their first VFL premiership?
2. In which year did Hawthorn win their first VFL premiership?
3. How many times have Collingwood and Hawthorn met in a League grand final?

This Round in History – Round 21 on the MCG

The highest Round 21 score at the MCG is 28.19 (187) by Richmond against Fitzroy 5.6 (36) in 1996. The overall Round 21 highest score is 35.15 (225) by Hawthorn against Geelong 13.12 (90) at Princes Park in 1986. The most goals by an individual at the MCG for this round is 11 by Bernie Quinlan (right) for Fitzroy against North Melbourne in 1984. Fitzroy kicked 26.9 (165) and won by 54 points. The overall Round 21 goalkicking record is 13 by Tony Lockett for St Kilda against Carlton at Waverley Park in 1991. St Kilda kicked 23.17 (155) to win by 54 points. The highest score in a quarter is 11.7 (73) by Richmond in the last quarter against Fitzroy in 1996. The overall Round 21 record is 13.4 (82) by Hawthorn against Geelong in the last quarter at Princes Park in 1986. The highest Round 21 attendance at the MCG was recorded on Saturday August 21, 1993 when 85,054 saw Carlton defeat Collingwood by 54 points.

Statistics for Hawthorn v Collingwood

Hawthorn v Collingwood by venue

	Won by Hawthorn	Won by Collingwood	Drawn
Docklands	2	1	0
Glenferrie	10	33	0
MCG	23	12	0
Princes Park	10	3	0
Syd Showground	0	1	0
Victoria Park	10	43	0
Waverley	13	5	0
	68	98	0

Highest Score

Hawthorn	25.22 (172)	Rd 3	1976	PP
Collingwood	25.19 (169)	Rd 13	1979	VP

Lowest Score

Hawthorn	2.8 (20)	Rd 15	1950	VP
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Collingwood	4.12 (36)	Rd 11	1961	GO

Greatest Winning Margin

Hawthorn	125 points	Rd 16	1987	VP
Collingwood	105 points	Rd 13	1979	VP

Last Time They Met –

Round 6, 2020, Sydney Showground

	Collingwood	Hawthorn
Quarter time	5.1	1.0
Half time	6.5	2.1
Three-quarter time	7.8	2.2
Full time	8.11 (59)	3.9 (27)

Most Goals in a Match

16	G. Coventry	Coll	Rd 13	1929	VP
14	G. Coventry	Coll	Rd 14	1934	VP
12	P. McKenna	Coll	Rd 1	1966	VP
11	J. Dunstall	Haw	Rd 16	1989	PP
11	J. Dunstall	Haw	Rd 20	1990	Wav
10	M. Moncrieff	Haw	Rd 3	1976	PP

PLAYED FOR BOTH

W.P. "Bill" Twomey

Father of Collingwood's famous Twomey brothers (Bill Jnr, Mick and Pat), Bill Sr played 54 games (5 goals) for Collingwood between 1918 and 1922. He was a member of the Magpies' 1919 premiership side. Recruited from Heidelberg, Bill possessed exception pace and played mainly as a wingman. He played for Victoria in 1921 but left Collingwood the next year to concentrate on his athletics career. He won the Stawell Gift in 1924. Bill returned to the VFL as captain/coach of Hawthorn during the 1933 season after appearing as a boundary umpire in three VFL games earlier in the season. He played nine games for Hawthorn in 1933 and one in 1934, spending most of the 1934 season as non-playing coach. Hawthorn finished in 11th in both in 1933 and 1934, Twomey coaching them to five wins in 32 matches.

Kevin McLean

Recruited from Alphington Amateurs, McLean played 33 games (1 goal) for Collingwood between 1963 and 1965. A physical player, he played mainly at centre half-back but was selected at centre-half forward in the Magpies' 1964 grand final side. In 1966 he transferred to Hawthorn where he played 17 games (1 goal) until his retirement at the end of the 1967 season.

OVER TO YOU ANSWERS: Q1 1902. **Q2** 1961. **Q3** They have never met in a grand final.

FACTSHEETS ON THE MCC WEBSITE

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