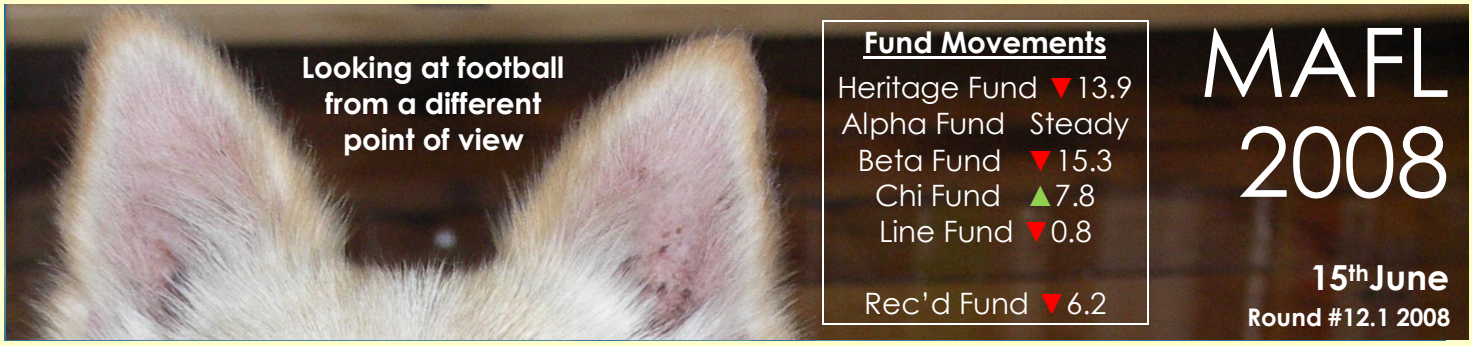

Fund Movements

Heritage Fund	▼13.9
Alpha Fund	Steady
Beta Fund	▼15.3
Chi Fund	▲7.8
Line Fund	▼0.8
Rec'd Fund	▼6.2

MAFL 2008

15th June
Round #12.1 2008

Round 12 Results

7 Correct	Essendon v West Coast (Docklands, 13th June 2008)	
Sportsbet	$1.80 49% - 56%	$1.95 44% - 51%
	Essendon -6½ pts ($2.10/$1.72)	
Heritage	-	
Alpha	-	
Beta	-	
Chi	-	
Line	-	
Chi	Essendon by 14	
Quila	Essendon by 13	
Shadow	Essendon	
CTL	West Coast	
MARS	West Coast	
MM	West Coast (42-1) *(Dissenters: MM2)*	
Super MM	West Coast (14-0) *(Dissenters: None)*	
Uber MM	Essendon	
Simplified	Essendon	
Result	Essendon 16.17 (113) def West Coast 13.13 (91)	

57 Correct	W Bulldogs v Bris Lions (MCG, 14th June 2008)	
Sportsbet	$1.40 64% - 71%	$2.80 29% - 36%
	W Bulldogs -15½ pts ($1.90/$1.90)	
Heritage	Lost 8.60% (28.85%)	
Alpha	-	
Beta	-	
Chi	-	
Line	Lost 7.79% (10.38%)	
Chi	Western Bulldogs by 5	
Quila	Western Bulldogs by 5	
Shadow	Western Bulldogs	
CTL	Western Bulldogs	
MARS	Western Bulldogs	
MM	Western Bulldogs (35-8) *(Dissenters: MM3-6, 18-21)*	
Super MM	Western Bulldogs (14-0) *(Dissenters: None)*	
Uber MM	Western Bulldogs	
Simplified	Western Bulldogs	
Result	W Bulldogs 19.17 (131) def Brisbane Lions 10.8 (68)	

3 Correct	Fremantle v Kangaroos (Subiaco, 14th June 2008)	
Sportsbet	$1.80 49% - 56%	$1.95 44% - 51%
	Fremantle -6½ pts ($2.05 / $1.75)	
Heritage	-	
Alpha	-	
Beta	-	
Chi	Won 7.81% (11.86%)	
Line	-	
Chi	Fremantle by 8	
Quila	Fremantle by 8	
Shadow	Kangaroos	
CTL	Kangaroos	
MARS	Kangaroos	
MM	Kangaroos (43-0) *(Dissenters: None)*	
Super MM	Kangaroos (14-0) *(Dissenters: None)*	
Uber MM	Kangaroos	
Simplified	Kangaroos	
Result	Fremantle 18.12 (120) def Kangaroos 9.13 (67)	

65 Correct	Sydney v St Kilda (SCG, 14th June 2008)	
Sportsbet	$1.18 78% - 85%	$4.50 15% - 22%
	Sydney -23½ pts ($1.90 / $1.90)	
Heritage	-	
Alpha	-	
Beta	-	
Chi	-	
Line	-	
Chi	Sydney by 27	
Quila	Sydney by 33	
Shadow	Sydney	
CTL	Sydney	
MARS	Sydney	
MM	Sydney (43-0) *(Dissenters: None)*	
Super MM	Sydney (14-0) *(Dissenters: None)*	
Uber MM	Sydney	
Simplified	Sydney	
Result	Sydney 14.18 (102) def. St Kilda 9.13 (67)	

57 Correct	Adelaide v Hawthorn (Football Park, 14th June 2008)	
Sportsbet	$1.90 45% - 53%	$1.83 47% - 55%
	Adelaide +6½ pts ($1.72 / $2.10)	
Heritage	-	
Alpha	-	
Beta	Lost 14.17% (14.92%)	
Chi	-	
Line	-	
Chi	Hawthorn by 4	
Quila	Hawthorn by 2	
Shadow	Hawthorn	
CTL	Hawthorn	
MARS	Adelaide	
MM	Hawthorn (38-5) *(Dissenters: MM2, 4-7)*	
Super MM	Hawthorn (14-0) *(Dissenters: None)*	
Uber MM	Adelaide	
Simplified	Adelaide	
Result	Hawthorn 11.10 (76) def. Adelaide 10.12 (72)	

65 Correct	Geelong v Pt Adelaide (Kardinia Park, 15th June 2008)	
Sportsbet	$1.16 79% - 86%	$4.80 14% - 21%
	Geelong -26½ pts ($1.90 / $1.90)	
Heritage	-	
Alpha	-	
Beta	-	
Chi	-	
Line	-	
Chi	Geelong by 11	
Quila	Geelong by 8	
Shadow	Geelong	
CTL	Geelong	
MARS	Geelong	
MM	Geelong (43-0) *(Dissenters: None)*	
Super MM	Geelong (14-0) *(Dissenters: None)*	
Uber MM	Geelong	
Simplified	Geelong	
Result	Geelong 15.18 (108) def. Port Adelaide 7.7 (49)	

0 Correct	Collingwood v Carlton (MCG, 15th June 2008)	
Sportsbet	$1.35 67% - 74%	$3.05 26% - 33%
	Collingwood -18½ pts ($1.90/$1.90)	
Heritage	-	
Alpha	-	
Beta	Lost 1.06% (1.12%)	
Chi	-	
Line	Won 7.01% (9.35%)	
Chi	Collingwood by 23	
Quila	Collingwood by 19	
Shadow	Collingwood	
CTL	Collingwood	
MARS	Collingwood	
MM	Collingwood (43-0) *(Dissenters: None)*	
Super MM	Collingwood (14-0) *(Dissenters: None)*	
Uber MM	Collingwood	
Simplified	Collingwood	
Result	Carlton 17.17 (119) def. Collingwood 12.17 (89)	

63 Correct	Richmond v Melbourne (Docklands, 15th June 2008)	
Sportsbet	$1.35 67% - 74%	$3.05 26% - 33%
	Richmond -19½ pts ($1.90/$1.90)	
Heritage	Lost 5.28% (17.72%)	
Alpha	-	
Beta	-	
Chi	-	
Line	-	
Chi	Richmond by 14	
Quila	Richmond by 15	
Shadow	Richmond	
CTL	Richmond	
MARS	Richmond	
MM	Richmond (41-2) *(Dissenters: MM2, 44)*	
Super MM	Richmond (14-0) *(Dissenters: None)*	
Uber MM	Richmond	
Simplified	Richmond	
Result	Richmond 16.20 (116) def. Melbourne 14.10 (94)	

Round 12 Statistics		
Scoring	Winners	Losers
Goals	126	84
Behinds	129	93
Ave Score	118.6	82.6
Ave Marg	36.0	
Qtrs Won	Winners	Losers
1st	5	3
2nd	6	2
3rd	6	2
4th	6	2
Qtr Leads	Winners	Losers
End of 1st	5	3
End of 2nd	6	2
End 3rd	6.5	1.5
Tipping	Tipster	Score
1st	BKB	75
2nd	CTM	72
Last	MM44	55
Ave Score	4.88 (Std Dev = 0.72)	

Results in Review

MAFL Funds

Investor #	Profit/Loss (%)
001	(47.36%)
002	(84.07%)
003	(39.53%)
004	(39.53%)
005	(43.45%)
006	(39.53%)
007	(39.53%)
008	(39.53%)
009	(39.53%)
010	-
011	-
012	(39.53%)
013	(39.53%)
014	(39.53%)
015	(16.25%)
016	(39.53%)

I've hit on an idea for a new-age book, which I'm tentatively entitling *Coping With Loss.*

In it I'll chronicle the four stages that people should expect to go through as they repeatedly witness close yet financially unfavourable outcomes to sporting contests on which they've wagered.

Stage 1 is the Jovial Stage, the hallmarks of which are a jaunty and upbeat disposition and a firm belief that "it all evens out in the long run". (Actually, while I'm on this topic, can anyone who follows any sport at all tell me how rational people can maintain the belief that poor umpiring is okay because "it all evens out in the end"? I hear it raised often, especially in relation to cricket umpiring, and feel compelled to point out that the proof of this thesis requires that the individual putting it forward know with certainty what the outcome would have been in the absence of all such poor umpiring decisions and then to compare this alternate outcome with the actual outcome achieved. In the strong form of this hypothesis such evening out happens within the context of the one match; in the weaker form things even out over the course of a number of matches, possibly spanning different seasons and series. To both forms I blow a derisory raspberry.)

Stage 2 is the Indignant Stage, which is characterised by mild annoyance at the continuance of such unfortunate outcomes, and something bordering on an expectation that the teams, collectively, must cease and desist such behaviour.

Stage 3 is the Rageful Stage during which the aerodynamic and percussive properties of various objects, each generally unassociated with flight or musicality, are widely explored.

Stage 4 – the final stage – is the Bemused Stage within which the afflicted person watches without emotion, fascinated to witness the new-found ways in which wagered-upon teams – favourites and underdogs alike- can establish and then fritter away sizeable leads.

Me? I'm deep in Stage 4, silently hoping there's no Stage 5. I'll let you know.

Fortunately, this week was not the total disaster that was Round 11, as the sole Chi bet and one of the Line bets were successful. Still, Adelaide led for most of all but the dying moments of the fourth quarter, Collingwood led handily until a Blues surge went unanswered, and the Dees went to sleep for 20 minutes in the second term only to surge home in the third and early stages of the fourth quarters only to lose the plot in the last 10 minutes.

The details for each Investor are in the table above.

Surprisal

Despite 7 of 8 favourites winning this weekend, it was merely a "Predictable" round based on surprisals. This is due to the fact that three of the successful favourites were at near even-money prices.

In total this season we've now had:

6 Very Predictable
3 Predictable
1 Somewhat Predictable
and
2 Unpredictable rounds.

(Two of the three rounds that have been profitable for Heritage Fund investors have been rated 'Unpredictable'. More please.)

Round	Average Surprisal per Winner (bits)	Number of Games included in Average	Number of Victorious Favourites	Ave MAFL Tipster Performance (SD in brackets)
1	0.84 (Predictable)	8	5	4.54 (0.59)
2	0.75 (Very Predictable)	8	7	5.06 (0.77)
3	0.83 (Predictable)	8	6	5.49 (0.77)
4	1.10 (Unpredictable)	8	5	4.37 (0.86)
5	0.73 (Very Predictable)	7	6	5.58 (1.00)
6	0.49 (Very Predictable)	7	7	6.05 (0.61)
7	0.88 (Somewhat Predictable)	8	6	4.77 (0.93)
8	0.55 (Very Predictable)	8	7	7.09 (0.72)
9	1.16 (Unpredictable)	8	4	3.35 (0.87)
10	0.57 (Very Predictable)	8	7	5.95 (0.51)
11	0.67 (Very Predictable)	8	7	6.58 (0.86)
12	0.81 (Predictable)	8	7	4.88 (0.72)

Tipping

Score	# Tipsters
7	3
6	1
5	49
4	9
3	3

Victories by Fremantle, Essendon and Collingwood threw many tipsters this weekend, dragging down the MAFL Tipster average to just 4.88

The breakdown of tipster performance appears in the table at right.

BKB, Chi and Quila all top-scored this week, each bagging 7 from 8. This was 2 tips better than all but one other tipster (Shadow).

The weekend's worst tipping performances belonged to MM4, 5 and 6. They correctly tipped just 3 from 8.

In overall tipping BKB now leads by 3 and is on 75 from 96 (78%) followed by Chi on 72 from 96 (75%), Quila on 71 from 96 (74%), and then MARS on 70 from 96 (73%). Historically, these are all remarkable performances – in a typical year anything approaching 70% would be footy-tip competition destroying.

Running totals for all tipsters appear in pictorial form in Appendix 1.

Team Quarter-by-Quarter Analysis

Here are the teams' quarter-by-quarter performance details.

RESULT AT END OF EACH QUARTER BY TEAM

	Quarter 1							Quarter 2							Quarter 3							Quarter 4						
	R	W	D	L	PF	PA	%	R	W	D	L	PF	PA	%	R	W	D	L	PF	PA	%	R	W	D	L	PF	PA	%
Adelaide	12	4	2	6	252	254	99.2	7	7	0	5	520	473	109.9	4	9	0	3	880	725	121.4	5	8	0	4	1206	1014	118.9
Brisbane Lions	3	8	0	4	285	263	108.4	8	6	0	6	631	527	119.7	9	5	0	7	969	861	112.5	7	7	0	5	1259	1188	106.0
Carlton	5	7	1	4	281	271	103.7	9	6	0	6	577	566	101.9	12	4	1	7	818	900	90.9	8	6	0	6	1162	1223	95.0
Collingwood	11	5	0	7	293	280	104.6	2	9	0	3	676	530	127.5	2	9	1	2	1027	799	128.5	6	7	0	5	1378	1146	120.2
Essendon	16	3	0	9	210	353	59.5	14	4	0	8	514	737	69.7	14	3	0	9	836	1090	76.7	13	3	0	9	1068	1462	73.1
Fremantle	10	5	0	7	283	237	119.4	11	5	0	7	541	568	95.2	7	7	0	5	854	800	106.8	14	2	0	10	1082	1206	89.7
Geelong	6	7	0	5	301	261	115.3	3	9	0	3	642	527	121.8	1	10	0	2	1007	753	133.7	1	11	0	1	1326	1004	132.1
Hawthorn	8	6	0	6	273	271	100.7	6	7	0	5	590	511	115.5	5	9	0	3	982	816	120.3	2	11	0	1	1366	1041	131.2
Kangaroos	7	6	2	4	282	265	106.4	15	3	0	9	531	643	82.6	11	5	0	7	847	943	89.8	9	5	1	6	1138	1234	92.2
Melbourne	15	3	0	9	209	341	61.3	16	1	0	11	392	755	51.9	16	0	0	12	609	1141	53.4	16	1	0	11	940	1513	62.1
Port Adelaide	9	5	1	6	315	270	116.7	5	7	0	5	632	534	118.4	10	5	0	7	882	873	101.0	12	4	0	8	1136	1199	94.7
Richmond	14	4	1	7	283	343	82.5	10	6	0	6	605	625	96.8	8	6	0	6	877	1004	87.4	11	4	1	7	1189	1297	91.7
St Kilda	2	8	0	4	310	234	132.5	12	4	1	7	550	563	97.7	13	4	0	8	796	885	89.9	10	5	0	7	1115	1173	95.1
Sydney	1	9	0	3	302	225	134.2	4	8	1	3	582	441	132.0	6	7	0	5	879	643	136.7	4	8	1	3	1192	883	135.0
West Coast	13	5	0	7	250	278	89.9	13	4	0	8	484	619	78.2	15	3	0	9	692	956	72.4	15	2	0	10	941	1281	73.5
Western Bulldogs	4	7	1	4	313	296	105.7	1	9	0	3	703	551	127.6	3	9	0	3	1082	848	127.6	3	10	1	1	1483	1117	132.8

QUARTERS WON, DRAWN & LOST BY TEAM

	Quarter 1							Quarter 2							Quarter 3							Quarter 4						
	R	W	D	L	PF	PA	%	R	W	D	L	PF	PA	%	R	W	D	L	PF	PA	%	R	W	D	L	PF	PA	%
Adelaide	12	4	2	6	252	254	99.2	3	9	0	3	268	219	122.4	3	7	2	3	360	252	142.9	6	6	0	6	326	289	112.8
Brisbane Lions	3	8	0	4	285	263	108.4	6	8	0	4	346	264	131.1	9	5	0	7	338	334	101.2	15	2	1	9	290	327	88.7
Carlton	5	7	1	4	281	271	103.7	12	4	0	8	296	295	100.3	12	5	0	7	241	334	72.2	10	5	1	6	344	323	106.5
Collingwood	11	5	0	7	293	280	104.6	1	10	0	2	383	250	153.2	6	7	0	5	351	269	130.5	8	6	0	6	351	347	101.2
Essendon	16	3	0	9	210	353	59.5	10	5	0	7	304	384	79.2	10	5	0	7	322	353	91.2	14	4	0	8	232	372	62.4
Fremantle	10	5	0	7	283	237	119.4	11	5	0	7	258	331	77.9	4	8	0	4	313	232	134.9	16	2	0	10	228	406	56.2
Geelong	6	7	0	5	301	261	115.3	2	9	0	3	341	266	128.2	1	9	0	3	365	226	161.5	4	7	1	4	319	251	127.1
Hawthorn	8	6	0	6	273	271	100.7	5	8	0	4	317	240	132.1	8	6	0	6	392	305	128.5	1	11	0	1	384	225	170.7
Kangaroos	7	6	2	4	282	265	106.4	15	3	0	9	249	378	65.9	5	8	0	4	316	300	105.3	11	5	0	7	291	291	100.0
Melbourne	15	3	0	9	209	341	61.3	16	1	0	11	183	414	44.2	16	2	0	10	217	386	56.2	12	5	0	7	331	372	89.0
Port Adelaide	9	5	1	6	315	270	116.7	7	7	0	5	317	264	120.1	11	5	0	7	250	339	73.7	9	6	0	6	254	326	77.9
Richmond	14	4	1	7	283	343	82.5	8	6	1	5	322	282	114.2	13	5	0	7	272	379	71.8	7	6	0	6	312	293	106.5
St Kilda	2	8	0	4	310	234	132.5	13	3	0	9	240	329	72.9	14	4	0	8	246	322	76.4	5	7	0	5	319	288	110.8
Sydney	1	9	0	3	302	225	134.2	9	6	0	6	280	216	129.6	2	9	0	3	297	202	147.0	3	8	1	3	313	240	130.4
West Coast	13	5	0	7	250	278	89.9	14	3	0	9	234	341	68.6	15	2	2	8	208	337	61.7	13	5	0	7	249	325	76.6
Western Bulldogs	4	7	1	4	313	296	105.7	4	8	1	3	390	255	152.9	7	7	0	5	379	297	127.6	2	9	0	3	401	269	149.1

Five different teams now lay claim to leadership in the various Alternative Premierships:

- Sydney leads the During the 1st Quarter Premiership (and, by necessity, the End of the 1st Quarter Premiership)
- Collingwood leads the During the 2nd Quarter Premiership
- The Western Bulldogs lead the End of the 2nd Quarter Premiership

- Geelong leads the During the 3rd Quarter Premiership as well as the End of the 3rd Quarter Premiership and the End of the 4th Quarter Premiership (aka the Competition ladder)
- Hawthorn leads the During the 4th Quarter Premiership.

Melbourne, meantime, holds 5 of the 8 Alternative Premiership Spoons: During the 2nd Quarter, During the 3rd Quarter, End of the 2nd Quarter, End of the 3rd Quarter and End of the 4th Quarter. Essendon holds two other of the Spoons – the two that come as a pair – the End of the 1st Quarter and the During the 1st Quarter Spoons.

Fremantle holds the only remaining Spoon, that for During the 4th Quarter. Even though they broke their losing streak this weekend they still managed to lose the final term, leaving them now at 2 and 10 for this term for the season, one-half a win behind the surprisingly poor Brisbane Lions.

Geelong and Sydney are now joint leaders on the Overall table, each having won 32, drawn 1 and lost 15 quarters so far this season. The Bulldogs are third just one-half a win behind and Hawthorn are fourth, a further one win back.

Melbourne, unsurprisingly, are quite a distant last, some 5 wins behind West Coast who are in 15th.

The broad pattern of correlation between competition points and quarter-by-quarter performance remains. The correlation between competition points and:

- Quarter 1 performance is +0.59
- Quarter 2 performance is +0.73
- Quarter 3 performance is +0.62
- Quarter 4 performance is +0.71
- All Quarter performance is +0.94

	Total Quarters Won				
	R	W	D	L	Pts
Adelaide	5	26	4	18	112
Brisbane Lions	7	23	1	24	94
Carlton	10	21	2	25	88
Collingwood	5	28	0	20	112
Essendon	14	17	0	31	68
Fremantle	13	20	0	28	80
Geelong	1	32	1	15	130
Hawthorn	4	31	0	17	124
Kangaroos	9	22	2	24	92
Melbourne	16	11	0	37	44
Port Adelaide	7	23	1	24	94
Richmond	10	21	2	25	88
St Kilda	10	22	0	26	88
Sydney	1	32	1	15	130
West Coast	15	15	2	31	64
Western Bulldogs	3	31	2	15	128

Team Ratings Update

The Western Bulldogs, Fremantle and Carlton all enjoyed large ratings gains of around 5 points this weekend, inflicting equally large reductions on their respective opponents in the Lions, the Roos and the Pies.

Geelong, Essendon and Sydney each earned between 2 and 4 ratings points, and the remaining winners, Hawthorn and Richmond, each gained 1 rating point or less.

Here's how the ratings now look:

Team	Initial	Δ R1	Δ R2	Δ R3	Δ R4	Δ R5	Δ R6	Δ R7	Δ R8	Δ R9	Δ R10	Δ R11	Δ R12	End R12
Geelong	1,027.4	+0.3	+5.4	+0.3	+2.7	+3.0	-1.4	+0.9	+1.1	-7.5	+3.0	+0.1	+3.8	1,039.0
Sydney	1,010.7	-0.3	+5.4	+1.2	+4.4	-3.0	-0.4	-2.5	+4.6	+0.9	+5.0	-0.9	+1.9	1,027.0
Hawthorn	1,002.9	+5.5	+1.4	+1.4	+3.8	+0.8	-0.1	+5.0	-0.2	-0.2	-3.7	+2.9	+0.5	1,020.0
Western Bulldogs	988.4	+0.8	+6.3	+3.5	+2.7	-0.8	+4.6	+2.5	+0.0	-0.8	+3.7	+2.3	+5.3	1,018.6
Adelaide	1,008.4	-0.8	+6.0	-0.1	-3.8	+0.8	+1.7	+2.4	+4.2	-5.5	-1.5	+3.7	-0.5	1,015.0
Collingwood	1,004.0	+2.2	-0.3	+3.4	-3.5	-1.1	+5.1	-5.0	+0.9	+7.5	+5.3	-0.1	-4.6	1,013.6
Brisbane Lions	999.6	-1.0	+0.3	-1.2	+2.3	-0.8	+3.1	-0.9	+2.4	+3.6	+2.4	+1.1	-5.3	1,005.6
Port Adelaide	1,007.4	-0.3	-5.4	+0.1	-2.3	+2.4	+1.7	+4.8	+0.2	-0.9	+2.3	-2.8	-3.8	1,003.4
Fremantle	1,004.0	-2.2	-1.4	+1.6	-6.5	-0.8	+1.4	-1.6	+0.0	-1.4	-2.3	-1.1	+4.8	994.5
St Kilda	1,001.0	+0.3	+2.3	-3.5	-2.7	+2.7	-1.7	-0.3	-0.9	-3.6	+5.0	-2.3	-1.9	994.4
Kangaroos	1,000.7	-5.4	+3.7	-1.4	+3.6	+1.1	+0.4	-2.4	-0.0	+0.8	-2.4	-0.1	-4.8	993.9
Richmond	986.3	+2.6	-3.7	-3.4	+6.5	+0.8	+0.1	+0.3	-1.1	+3.0	-5.0	-3.7	+1.1	983.9
West Coast	1,006.6	+1.0	-6.0	-1.6	-4.4	-2.4	-4.6	-4.2	+0.0	+5.5	-5.3	+0.9	-2.6	983.0
Carlton	975.2	-2.6	-2.3	-0.5	+3.5	+3.2	-1.7	+4.2	-2.4	+1.4	-3.0	+2.8	+4.6	982.4
Essendon	990.0	+5.4	-5.4	+0.5	-2.7	-2.7	-5.1	-4.8	-4.6	-3.0	+1.5	-2.9	+2.6	969.1
Melbourne	987.2	-5.5	-6.3	-0.3	-3.6	-3.2	-3.1	+1.6	-4.2	+0.2	-5.0	+0.1	-1.1	956.8

The MARS Predictor top 7 comprises the same teams that make up the competition's top 7, albeit with a slightly different order for the top 4 (MARS has Sydney 2 places higher, in 2nd).

After the top 7, however, significant differences between the MARS rankings and the competition ladder abound:

- Port Adelaide, despite yet another ratings point decline, clings onto 8th spot in the MARS Predictor System, the spot which Carlton occupies on the competition ladder. MARS has long memories of the 2007 Carlton team and currently has them in 14th spot. Port Adelaide are 12th on the competition ladder.
- Ninth spot on the MARS Predictor System is taken up by Fremantle, almost nine ratings points behind Port Adelaide. On the competition ladder Fremantle is 14th and ninth spot is occupied by the Kangaroos. MARS has the Roos positioned 11th.

Here are the full MARS Rankings:

Team	Initial	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	R7	R8	R9	R10	R11	R12
Geelong	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Sydney	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	3	3	2	2	2	2
Hawthorn	8	3	4	4	3	3	3	2	2	3	4	3	3
Western Bulldogs	13	13	12	10	6	8	6	6	6	8	6	6	4
Adelaide	3	5	3	3	4	4	4	4	4	4	5	5	5
Collingwood	6	7	5	5	5	5	5	7	7	5	3	4	6
Brisbane Lions	11	10	11	11	8	10	9	8	8	7	8	7	7
Port Adelaide	4	6	7	7	9	7	7	5	5	6	7	8	8
Fremantle	7	8	9	6	12	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	9
St Kilda	9	9	6	8	10	9	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
Kangaroos	10	12	10	12	7	6	8	9	9	9	9	9	11
Richmond	15	14	14	14	13	13	12	12	12	12	12	13	12
West Coast	5	4	8	9	11	12	13	13	13	13	13	12	13
Carlton	16	16	16	16	15	15	15	14	14	14	14	14	14
Essendon	12	11	13	13	14	14	14	15	15	15	15	15	15
Melbourne	14	15	15	15	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16

And here is the competition ladder:

Team	Pts	%	GF	BF	PF	Rushed	Acc %	Rank	GA	BA	PA	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Geelong	44	132.1	192	174	1,326	42	59.3%	9	145	134	1,004	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	L	W	W	W
Hawthorn	44	131.2	201	160	1,366	22	59.3%	8	152	129	1,041	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	L	W	W
Western Bulldogs	42	132.8	220	163	1,483	39	64.0%	2	165	127	1,117	W	W	W	W	D	W	W	W	L	W	W	W
Sydney	34	135.0	173	154	1,192	35	59.2%	10	124	139	883	L	W	W	W	L	D	L	W	W	W	W	W
Adelaide	32	118.9	172	174	1,206	41	56.4%	16	147	132	1,014	L	W	W	L	W	W	W	W	L	W	W	L
Collingwood	28	120.2	203	160	1,378	48	64.4%	1	167	144	1,146	W	L	W	L	L	W	L	W	W	W	W	L
Brisbane Lions	28	106.0	180	179	1,259	47	57.7%	14	173	150	1,188	L	W	L	W	L	W	L	W	W	W	W	L
Carlton	24	95.0	169	148	1,162	41	61.2%	6	178	155	1,223	L	L	L	W	W	L	W	L	W	L	W	W
Kangaroos	22	92.2	166	142	1,138	30	59.7%	7	179	160	1,234	L	W	L	W	W	D	L	W	W	L	L	L
St Kilda	20	95.1	162	143	1,115	29	58.7%	11	173	135	1,173	W	W	L	L	W	L	W	L	L	W	L	L
Richmond	18	91.7	176	133	1,189	24	61.8%	4	190	157	1,297	W	L	L	W	D	L	L	L	W	L	L	W
Port Adelaide	16	94.7	167	134	1,136	32	62.1%	3	175	149	1,199	L	L	L	L	W	W	W	L	L	W	L	L
Essendon	12	73.1	158	120	1,068	22	61.7%	5	214	178	1,462	W	L	W	L	L	L	L	L	L	L	L	W
Fremantle	8	89.7	156	146	1,082	34	58.2%	12	174	162	1,206	L	L	W	L	L	L	L	L	L	L	L	W
West Coast	8	73.5	134	137	941	34	56.5%	15	189	147	1,281	W	L	L	L	L	L	L	L	W	L	L	L
Melbourne	4	62.1	134	136	940	38	57.8%	13	218	205	1,513	L	L	L	L	L	L	W	L	L	L	L	L

You might have noticed a new column, labelled 'Rushed' in the competition ladder shown above. This column shows the number of rushed behinds credited to each team and its inclusion now allows me to calculate Accuracy in the more traditional way by excluding rushed behinds from the denominator.

It's interesting to note how the different styles of football lead to large differences in the number of rushed behinds scored. Collingwood tops the list with 48 rushed behinds just one ahead of the Lions on 47. In contrast, Hawthorn and Essendon each have registered only 22 rushed behinds all season – fewer than 2 per game.

The new accuracy stats are interesting too in that 3 of the 5 best stats belong to teams in ladder positions 11th through 13th, and 2 of the 3 worst stats belong to teams in the competition's top 8. The correlation between competition points and goal-kicking accuracy is only +0.215 (which is roughly equal to that between competition points and rushed behinds). Clearly accuracy in front of goal is not all that important.

With the Essendon and Fremantle losing streaks both being snapped this week, only one team, Melbourne, has a losing streak that extends beyond 3 games.

In a wonderful example of symmetry, there's also only one team with a winning streak extending beyond 3 games. That team is Sydney.

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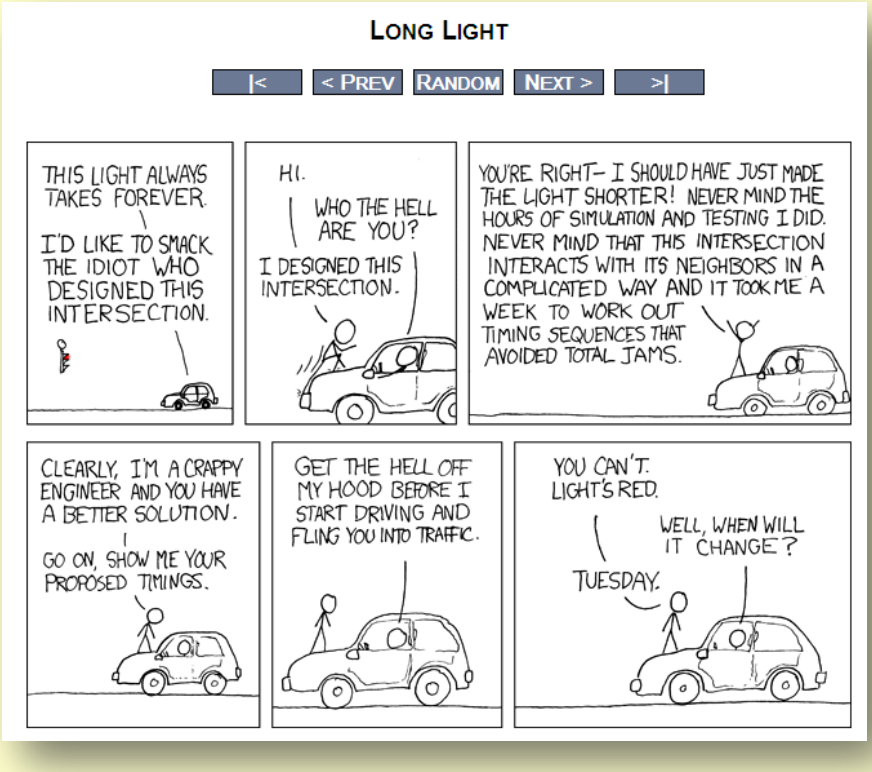
Based on this season's statistics (excluding the two draws):

- 83% of teams that have led at the end of the 3rd quarter (in games where there's been a clear leader at the end of the 3rd quarter) have gone on to win
- 76% of teams that have led at the end of the 2nd quarter (in games where there's been a clear leader at the end of the 2nd quarter) have gone on to win
- 75% of teams that have won the 4th quarter (in games where there's been a clear winner of the 4th quarter) have gone on to win
- 72% of teams that have won the 3rd quarter (in games where there's been a clear winner of the 3rd quarter) have gone on to win
- 72% of teams that have won the 2nd quarter (in games where there's been a clear winner of the 2nd quarter) have gone on to win
- 68% of teams that have won/led at the end of the 1st quarter (in games where there's been a clear leader at the end of the 1st quarter) have gone on to win
- 65% of teams that have scored the first goal in the 3rd quarter have gone on to win
- 64% of teams that have scored the first goal in the 4th quarter have gone on to win
- 63% of teams that have scored the first point (behind or goal) in the 3rd quarter have gone on to win
- 62% of teams that have scored the last goal in the 3rd quarter have gone on to win
- 57% of teams that have scored the first point (behind or goal) in the 4th quarter have gone on to win

I'm sure there'll be at least one stat there to give your team hope at every change, every week.



(more from www.xkcd.com)

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Appendix 1 : Cumulative Tipping Performance – All Tipsters