

Looking at football
from a different
point of view



Fund Prices/Mvmts

Heritage Fund	87.1	▲	40.2
Alpha Fund	70.4	▼	11.6
Beta Fund	50.7	▼	9.0
Chi Fund	73.3	Stdy	
Line Fund	107.8	▲	14.0
Rec'd Fund	77.5	▲	10.0

MAFL
2008

27th July
Round #17.1

Round 17 Results

65 Correct		Hawthorn v Geelong (MCG, 25th July 2008)	
Sportsbet	\$3.10	\$1.33	25% - 32% 68% - 75%
Hawthorn +17½ pts (\$1.90/\$1.90)			
Heritage	Lost 6.33% (13.49%)		
Alpha	Lost 7.85% (9.57%)		
Beta	-		
Chi	-		
Line	-		
Chi	Geelong by 6		
Quila	Geelong by 25		
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 12.16 (88) def Hawthorn 11.11 (77)		

7 Correct		Essendon v Collingwood (MCG, 26th July 2008)	
Sportsbet	\$3.45	\$1.28	22% - 29% 71% - 78%
Essendon +22½ pts (\$1.90/\$1.90)			
Heritage	Won 23.66% (50.47%)		
Alpha	-		
Beta	-		
Chi	-		
Line	-		
Chi	Collingwood by 2		
Quila	Essendon by 1		
Shadow	Collingwood		
CTL	Collingwood		
MARS	Collingwood		
MM	Collingwood (39-4) (Dissenters: MM2,4-6)		
Super MM	Collingwood (14-0) (Dissenters: None)		
Uber MM	Essendon		
Simplified	Essendon		
Result	Essendon 19.14 (128) def Collingwood 11.14 (80)		

0 Correct		West Coast v St Kilda (Subiaco, 26th July 2008)	
Sportsbet	\$5.00	\$1.15	13% - 20% 80% - 87%
West Coast +31½ pts (\$1.90/\$1.90)			
Heritage	Won 33.42% (71.29%)		
Alpha	-		
Beta	-		
Chi	-		
Line	-		
Chi	St Kilda by 17		
Quila	St Kilda by 33		
Shadow	St Kilda		
CTL	St Kilda		
MARS	St Kilda		
MM	St Kilda (43-0) (Dissenters: None)		
Super MM	St Kilda (14-0) (Dissenters: None)		
Uber MM	St Kilda		
Simplified	St Kilda		
Result	West Coast 15.13 (103) def St Kilda 12.14 (86)		

10 Correct		Richmond v Bris Lions (Docklands, 26th July 2008)	
Sportsbet	\$1.70	\$2.05	51% - 59% 41% - 49%
Richmond -9½ pts (\$1.90/\$1.90)*			
Heritage	-		
Alpha	-		
Beta	-		
Chi	-		
Line	Won 7.01% (7.48%)		
Chi	Richmond by 18		
Quila	Richmond by 18		
Shadow	Brisbane Lions		
CTL	Brisbane Lions		
MARS	Brisbane Lions		
MM	Brisbane Lions (38-5) (Dissenters: MM2-6)		
Super MM	Brisbane Lions (14-0) (Dissenters: None)		
Uber MM	Richmond		
Simplified	Richmond		
Result	Richmond 18.9 (117) def. Brisbane Lions 16.18 (114)		

0 Correct		Sydney v Adelaide (SCG, 26th July 2008)	
Sportsbet	\$1.40	\$2.80	64% - 71% 29% - 36%
Sydney -15½ pts (\$1.90/\$1.90)			
Heritage	-		
Alpha	3.75% (4.57%) on Sydney		
Beta	9.00% (15.09%) on Sydney		
Chi	-		
Line	Won 7.01% (7.48%)		
Chi	Sydney by 18		
Quila	Sydney by 11		
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	Adelaide 11.11 (77) def. Sydney 6.17 (53)		

7 Correct		Pt Adelaide v Fremantle (Football Park, 27th July 2008)	
Sportsbet	\$1.47	\$2.55	61% - 68% 32% - 39%
Pt Adelaide -15½ pts (\$1.98/\$1.82)			
Heritage	-		
Alpha	-		
Beta	-		
Chi	-		
Line	-		
Chi	Port Adelaide by 19		
Quila	Port Adelaide by 13		
Shadow	Fremantle		
CTL	Port Adelaide		
MARS	Port Adelaide		
MM	Port Adelaide (37-6) (Dissenters: MM3, 5-9)		
Super MM	Port Adelaide (14-0) (Dissenters: None)		
Uber MM	Port Adelaide		
Simplified	Port Adelaide		
Result	Fremantle 20.9 (129) def. Port Adelaide 15.11 (101)		

65 Correct		Melbourne v Kangaroos (MCG, 27th July 2008)	
Sportsbet	\$4.50	\$1.18	15% - 22% 78% - 85%
Melbourne +26½ pts (\$1.90/\$1.90)			
Heritage	Lost 10.52% (22.43%)		
Alpha	-		
Beta	-		
Chi	-		
Line	-		
Chi	Kangaroos by 10		
Quila	Kangaroos by 7		
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	Kangaroos 14.14 (98) def. Melbourne 10.10 (70)		

0 Carlton		W Bulldogs v Carlton (Docklands, 27th July 2008)	
Sportsbet	\$1.30	\$3.30	70% - 77% 23% - 30%
W Bulldogs -21½ pts (\$1.90/\$1.90)			
Heritage	-		
Alpha	-		
Beta	-		
Chi	-		
Line	-		
Chi	Western Bulldogs by 12		
Quila	Western Bulldogs by 5		
Shadow	Western Bulldogs		
CTL	Western Bulldogs		
MARS	Western Bulldogs		
MM	Western Bulldogs (43-0) (Dissenters: None)		
Super MM	Western Bulldogs (14-0) (Dissenters: None)		
Uber MM	Western Bulldogs		
Simplified	Western Bulldogs		
Result	Carlton 18.18 (126) def. Western Bulldogs 15.8 (98)		

Round 17 Statistics		
Scoring	Winners	Losers
Goals	127	96
Behinds	104	103
Ave Score	116.3	92.9
Ave Marg	23.4	
Qtrs Won	Winners	Losers
1st	5	3
2nd	4	4
3rd	4	4
4th	7	1
Qtr Leads	Winners	Losers
End of 1st	5	3
End of 2nd	6	2
End 3rd	6	2
Tipping	Tipster	Score
1st	BKB	98
2nd	Chi	94
Last	MM40, 41 & 44	74
Ave Score	2.37 (Std Dev = 0.78)	

Results in Review

MAFL Funds

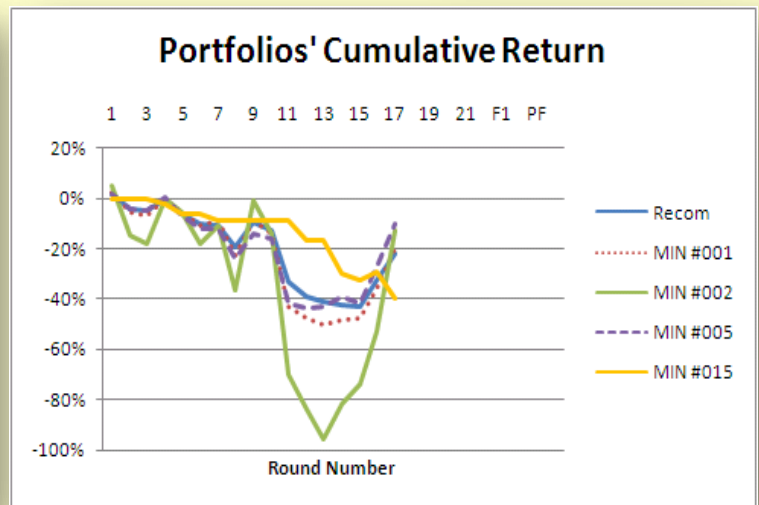
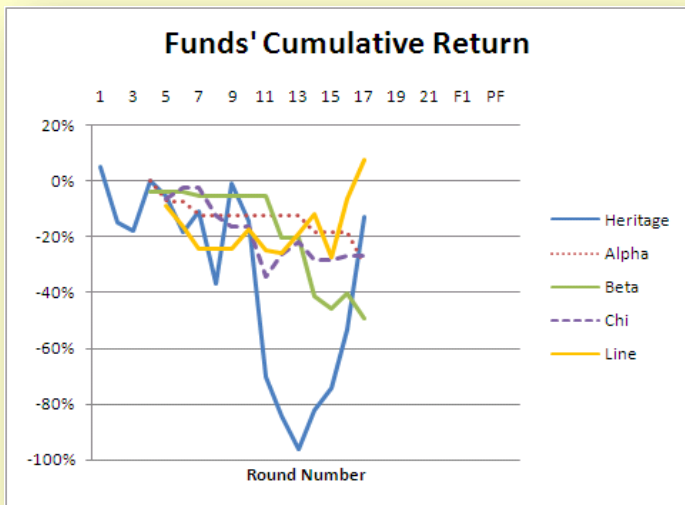
Chi's ear gets the party treatment again this week to reflect another highly profitable week for the Recommended Portfolio.

Those Investors long in Alpha or Beta, however, have less to celebrate as both Funds lost all wagers this weekend, leaving the Alpha Fund at around 70c and still without a profitable weekend all season, and the Beta Fund at just over 50c.

Details of the current positions of all portfolios are in the table at right.

The remarkable turn-around in the fortunes of the Heritage and Line Funds and, as a consequence, in that of the Recommended Portfolio is well chronicled in the charts below.

Investor #	Profit/Loss (%)
001	(20.27%)
002	(12.87%)
003	(22.49%)
004	(22.49%)
005	(10.47%)
006	(22.49%)
007	(22.49%)
008	(22.49%)
009	(22.49%)
012	(22.49%)
013	(22.49%)
014	(22.49%)
015	(39.49%)
016	(22.49%)



Surprisal

For only the second time this season just 3 of 8 favourites were successful this weekend, and with three of the victors priced higher than \$3 and another priced at \$2.80, a Round rating of "Unpredictable" seems entirely appropriate.

Indeed, based on surprisals, it was the most unpredictable Round of the season.

This is the third "Unpredictable" this year, and the third time that such a round has been profitable for those with the Recommended Portfolio.

If there was ever any doubt what sort of round Investors with the Recommended Portfolio prefer, the table at right should make it obvious.

Round	Average Surprisal per Winner (bits)	Number of Games included in Average	Number of Victorious Favourites	Ave MAFL Tipster Performance (SD in brackets)	Return for Rec. Portfolio
1	0.84 (Predictable)	8	5	4.54 (0.59)	1.57%
2	0.75 (Very Predictable)	8	7	5.06 (0.77)	(5.93%)
3	0.83 (Predictable)	8	6	5.49 (0.77)	(0.91%)
4	1.10 (Unpredictable)	8	5	4.37 (0.86)	4.54%
5	0.73 (Very Predictable)	7	6	5.58 (1.00)	(5.31%)
6	0.49 (Very Predictable)	7	7	6.05 (0.61)	(4.42%)
7	0.88 (Somewhat Predictable)	8	6	4.77 (0.93)	(0.22%)
8	0.55 (Very Predictable)	8	7	7.09 (0.72)	(9.22%)
9	1.16 (Unpredictable)	8	4	3.35 (0.87)	10.23%
10	0.57 (Very Predictable)	8	7	5.95 (0.51)	(3.01%)
11	0.67 (Very Predictable)	8	7	6.58 (0.86)	(20.68%)
12	0.81 (Predictable)	8	7	4.88 (0.72)	(6.16%)
13	1.09 (Unpredictable)	8	5	4.25 (0.66)	(1.83%)
14	1.07 (Unpredictable)	8	3	4.03 (0.85)	(1.10%)
15	0.72 (Very Predictable)	8	7	6.15 (0.78)	(0.93%)
16	0.94 (Somewhat Predictable)	8	5	4.22 (0.76)	10.85%
17	1.38 (Unpredictable)	8	3	2.37 (0.78)	10.06%

Rating	# Rounds	Rec Fund Profit
Very Predictable	7	(49.50%)
Predictable	3	(5.51%)
Somewhat Predictable	2	10.63%
Unpredictable	5	21.89%
Total	17	(22.48%)

Tipping

Surprise and unpredictability is generally associated with poor tipping performances and this is exactly what we had this weekend as the average MAFL tipster managed just 2.37 correct tips, almost one full tip lower than the previous lowest for the season. Only the Geelong and Roos victories were universally expected; every other winner was the minority MAFL tip.

Score	# Tipsters
5	2
4	6
3	6
2	51

The breakdown of tipster performance appears in the table at right. The weekend's best performance was 5 from 8, recorded by MM5 and MM6, and the worst was 2 from 8, recorded by just about every other tipster.

In overall tipping BKB still leads by 4 and is now on 98 from 136 (72%), followed by Chi on 94 (69%), then CTL, Quila and Shadow on 93 (68%), MM5 on 91 (67%) and MARS on 90 (66%). In last place, still, are MM40, 41 and 44 all on 74 from 128 (54%).

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

The form tipsters over the last 5 rounds have been MM4 and MM5 who've each scored 26 from 40 (65%), narrowly better than Shadow on 25 (67½%). Worst has been MM40 on 17 from 40 (42½%), which is a tipping performance indistinguishable from coin-tossing.

Converting Opportunities

This weekend, two teams lost despite registering more scoring shots than their opponents – the Lions, who had 34 scoring shots to the Tigers' 27, and the Swans, who had 23 scoring shots to Adelaide's 22.

These two bring to 14 the total number of games this year in which the team recording fewer scoring shots has failed to collect the competition points. The table at right has the detail.

Fremantle, remarkably, has been the loser in 4 such games. In fact, of the 8 games in which it has recorded more scoring shots than its opponent, it has won just one-half of them.

Other teams to have lost more than once when recording more scoring shots than their opponents are Adelaide and this week's miscreants, Sydney and Brisbane.

On the flip side, Richmond have won 3 and drawn 1 game when they've recorded fewer scoring shots than their opponents (and won another when they've recorded the same number of scoring shots). It's perhaps not surprising then that the Tigers are 2nd in the competition in terms of Accuracy, with almost 64% of their (non-rushed) scoring shots being goals.

	Number of Scoring Shots Relative to Opponent		
	More W-D-L	Same W-D-L	Fewer W-D-L
Adelaide	8-0-2	0-0-0	1-0-6
Brisbane Lions	9-0-2	0-0-0	0-0-6
Carlton	8-0-0	0-0-1	0-0-8
Collingwood	8-0-0	1-0-0	1-0-7
Essendon	6-0-1	0-0-0	1-0-9
Fremantle	4-0-4	0-0-0	0-0-9
Geelong	16-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-1
Hawthorn	12-0-0	0-0-0	1-0-4
Kangaroos	9-0-0	0-0-1	0-1-6
Melbourne	0-0-0	0-0-0	2-0-15
Port Adelaide	4-0-1	0-0-0	1-0-11
Richmond	4-0-1	1-0-0	3-1-7
St Kilda	6-0-1	1-0-0	2-0-7
Sydney	9-1-2	1-0-0	0-0-4
West Coast	3-0-0	0-0-1	0-0-13
Western Bulldogs	10-1-0	0-0-1	2-0-3
Total	116-2-14	4-0-4	14-2-116

Other teams to have registered multiple wins when they've recorded fewer scoring shots than their opponents are the Dees, Saints and Bulldogs who have each registered two such wins. The Saints have also managed to win one game when they recorded the same number of scoring shots as their opponents.

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	11	6	2	9	338	366	92.3		5	11	0	6	732	690	106.1		5	11	0	6	1136	1037	109.5		7	9	0	8	1563	1472	106.2	
Brisbane Lions	4	11	0	6	403	400	100.8		10	7	0	10	874	778	112.3		11	7	0	10	1354	1217	111.3		8	9	0	8	1779	1690	105.3	
Carlton	7	9	1	7	371	387	95.9		13	7	0	10	796	852	93.4		14	5	1	11	1194	1341	89.0		11	8	0	9	1713	1785	96.0	
Collingwood	9	8	0	9	365	371	98.4		3	11	0	6	889	726	122.5		2	12	1	4	1369	1111	123.2		5	10	0	7	1838	1601	114.8	
Essendon	12	7	0	10	385	443	86.9		14	7	0	10	795	985	80.7		10	8	0	9	1275	1444	88.3		12	7	0	10	1686	1960	86.0	
Fremantle	14	6	0	11	366	344	106.4		9	7	1	9	730	783	93.2		6	9	0	8	1176	1141	103.1		14	4	0	13	1517	1653	91.8	
Geelong	1	11	1	5	462	327	141.3		1	13	1	3	942	669	140.8		1	15	0	2	1469	979	150.1		1	16	0	1	1969	1298	151.7	
Hawthorn	8	9	0	8	396	365	108.5		6	10	0	7	867	720	120.4		4	11	0	6	1332	1151	115.7		2	13	0	4	1840	1495	123.1	
Kangaroos	2	10	2	5	411	340	120.9		12	7	0	10	766	816	93.9		7	9	0	8	1186	1219	97.3		6	9	1	7	1598	1634	97.8	
Melbourne	16	5	0	12	303	467	64.9		16	2	1	14	554	1004	55.2		16	1	0	16	863	1512	57.1		16	2	0	15	1309	2026	64.6	
Port Adelaide	13	6	1	10	426	434	98.2		11	7	0	10	854	828	103.1		13	7	0	10	1242	1308	95.0		13	5	0	12	1607	1746	92.0	
Richmond	10	7	1	9	412	456	90.4		4	11	0	6	930	861	108.0		8	9	0	8	1332	1396	95.4		10	8	1	8	1781	1831	97.3	
St Kilda	6	10	0	7	404	343	117.8		8	7	1	9	758	785	96.6		12	7	0	10	1143	1197	95.5		9	9	0	8	1588	1578	100.6	
Sydney	5	10	0	7	399	331	120.5		7	9	1	7	773	698	110.7		9	8	0	9	1167	998	116.9		4	10	1	6	1605	1338	120.0	
West Coast	15	6	0	11	321	427	75.2		15	4	0	13	642	960	66.9		15	4	0	13	951	1453	65.5		15	3	0	14	1302	1940	67.1	
Western Bulldogs	3	10	2	5	406	367	110.6		2	13	1	3	979	726	134.8		3	12	0	5	1503	1188	126.5		3	12	1	4	1970	1618	121.8	

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	11	6	2	9	338	366	92.3		5	12	0	5	394	324	121.6		7	7	2	8	404	347	116.4		9	8	0	9	427	435	98.2	
Brisbane Lions	4	11	0	6	403	400	100.8		6	11	0	6	471	378	124.6		9	8	0	9	480	439	109.3		16	5	1	11	425	473	89.9	
Carlton	7	9	1	7	371	387	95.9		12	5	0	12	425	465	91.4		13	7	0	10	398	489	81.4		7	8	1	8	519	444	116.9	
Collingwood	9	8	0	9	365	371	98.4		1	14	0	3	524	355	147.6		4	10	0	7	480	385	124.7		10	8	0	9	469	490	95.7	
Essendon	12	7	0	10	385	443	86.9		14	5	0	12	410	542	75.6		6	9	0	8	480	459	104.6		13	7	0	10	411	516	79.7	
Fremantle	14	6	0	11	366	344	106.4		10	8	0	9	364	439	82.9		5	10	0	7	446	358	124.6		15	6	0	11	341	512	66.6	
Geelong	1	11	1	5	462	327	141.3		3	12	1	4	480	342	140.4		1	13	0	4	527	310	170.0		2	12	1	4	500	319	156.7	
Hawthorn	8	9	0	8	396	365	108.5		4	12	0	5	471	355	132.7		12	7	0	10	465	431	107.9		1	13	0	4	508	344	147.7	
Kangaroos	2	10	2	5	411	340	120.9		11	6	0	11	355	476	74.6		3	10	1	6	420	403	104.2		8	8	0	9	412	415	99.3	
Melbourne	16	5	0	12	303	467	64.9		16	1	0	16	251	537	46.7		16	5	0	12	309	508	60.8		11	7	0	10	446	514	86.8	
Port Adelaide	13	6	1	10	426	434	98.2		8	9	0	8	428	394	108.6		10	8	0	9	388	480	80.8		12	7	0	10	365	438	83.3	
Richmond	10	7	1	9	412	456	90.4		7	10	1	6	518	405	127.9		14	7	0	10	402	535	75.1		6	9	0	8	449	435	103.2	
St Kilda	6	10	0	7	404	343	117.8		13	5	0	12	354	442	80.1		11	7	1	9	385	412	93.4		5	9	0	8	445	381	116.8	
Sydney	5	10	0	7	399	331	120.5		9	8	0	9	374	367	101.9		2	12	0	5	394	300	131.3		3	11	1	5	438	340	128.8	
West Coast	15	6	0	11	321	427	75.2		15	4	0	13	321	533	60.2		15	5	2	10	309	493	62.7		14	6	0	11	351	487	72.1	
Western Bulldogs	3	10	2	5	406	367	110.6		2	12	2	3	573	359	159.6		8	8	0	9	524	462	113.4		4	10	0	7	467	430	108.6	

Across the various Alternative Premierships:

- Geelong still leads in 6 Alternative Premierships, comprising all of the End of Quarter Premierships, the During the 1st Quarter and the During the 3rd Quarter Premiership.
- Collingwood continues to lead the During the 2nd Quarter Premiership and Hawthorn leads the During the 4th Quarter Premiership.
- Melbourne retains 7 of the 8 Alternative Premiership Spoons, missing out only in the During the 4th Quarter Premiership, which is now held by the Brisbane Lions, an amazing feat for a side currently in the competition's Top 8.

The worst performances of any team in any quarter are:

- Melbourne in 2nd quarters (1 win and 16 losses)
- West Coast in 2nd quarters (4 wins and 17 losses)
- Melbourne in 1st and 3rd quarters; Carlton, Essendon and St Kilda in 2nd quarters (all 5 wins and 12 losses)

The best performances of any team in any quarter are:

- Collingwood in 2nd quarters (14 wins and 3 losses)
- Geelong in 3rd quarters and Hawthorn in 4th quarters (13 wins and 4 losses), and Western Bulldogs in 2nd quarters (12 wins, 2 draws and 3 losses)

Geelong continues to lead on the overall table, with Sydney now relegated to 3rd, behind the Bulldogs by ½ a quarter. Hawthorn are now in outright 4th ahead of Collingwood.

Melbourne remain last on this table, having won a miserly 26% of the quarters in which they've competed. They now trail 2nd-last placed West Coast by 4 quarters.

The top 8 in this table now match the top 8 on the competition ladder with just a few reorderings the difference.

Not surprisingly then, the correlation between competition points and points in the Total Quarters Won table is +0.93.

The correlation between:

- competition points and 1st quarter results is +0.83
- competition points and 2nd quarter results is +0.69
- competition points and 3rd quarter results is +0.53
- competition points and 4th quarter results is +0.81

	Total Quarters Won				
	R	W	D	L	Pts
Adelaide	8	33	4	31	140
Brisbane Lions	6	35	1	32	142
Carlton	12	29	2	37	120
Collingwood	5	40	0	28	160
Essendon	14	28	0	40	112
Fremantle	12	30	0	38	120
Geelong	1	48	3	17	198
Hawthorn	4	41	0	27	164
Kangaroos	6	34	3	31	142
Melbourne	16	18	0	50	72
Port Adelaide	11	30	1	37	122
Richmond	9	33	2	33	136
St Kilda	10	31	1	36	126
Sydney	3	41	1	26	166
West Coast	15	21	2	45	88
Western Bulldogs	2	40	4	24	168

Team Ratings Update

Five teams enjoyed ratings point increases greater than 2½ points this weekend: Essendon (+5.49), Carlton (+4.38), Fremantle (+3.11), Adelaide (+3.10) and West Coast (+2.82). The Kangaroos (+1.13) and Richmond (+0.90) were the other winning team to register a ratings point increase. The weekend's other gainer was Hawthorn who, despite losing to the Cats, picked up 0.11 points.

Here then are the MARS Ratings details:

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	Δ R13	Δ R14	Δ R15	Δ R16	Δ R17	End R17
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	+3.7	+4.4	+4.8	+3.7	+3.9	-0.1	1,055.7
Hawthorn	1,002.9	+5.5	+1.4	+1.4	+3.8	+0.8	-0.1	+5.0	+0.7	-0.3	-3.7	+2.8	+0.4	-3.8	+3.2	+2.8	-3.5	+0.1	1,019.7
Sydney	1,010.7	-0.3	+5.4	+1.2	+4.4	-3.0	-0.4	-2.5	+4.6	+0.8	+5.0	-0.9	+1.9	+0.9	-3.5	-2.8	-1.2	-3.1	1,017.2
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	+0.6	+4.0	+0.1	-3.9	-4.4	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	-0.6	+3.5	+2.4	-2.4	-5.5	1,011.2
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	-0.4	-1.4	-4.8	-2.4	-1.3	+3.1	1,008.2
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	+1.4	-1.9	-4.3	+2.6	-0.9	1,002.5
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	+3.8	-1.6	+0.5	+2.4	+1.1	1,000.1
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	+0.6	+1.6	+2.6	+3.5	-2.8	999.8
Port Adelaide	1,007.4	-0.3	-5.4	+0.1	-2.3	+2.4	+1.7	+4.8	-0.7	-0.8	+2.3	-2.7	-3.7	-1.4	-4.0	-0.5	+1.3	-3.1	995.0
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	-0.6	-1.5	-3.7	+2.7	+3.1	994.5
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	+1.4	-3.3	+6.3	-0.2	+0.9	989.0
Carlton	975.2	-2.6	-2.3	-0.5	+3.5	+3.2	-1.7	+4.2	-2.4	+1.4	-3.0	+2.7	+4.6	-4.0	+3.3	-2.6	+1.2	+4.4	984.6
Essendon	990.0	+5.4	-5.4	+0.5	-2.7	-2.7	-5.1	-4.8	-4.6	-3.0	+1.5	-2.8	+2.6	+4.0	+1.5	+4.3	+0.2	+5.5	984.5
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	-4.4	-3.2	-6.3	-2.6	+2.8	969.2
Melbourne	987.2	-5.5	-6.3	-0.3	-3.6	-3.2	-3.1	+1.6	-4.2	+0.3	-5.0	+0.1	-1.1	-0.9	+1.9	-0.1	-2.7	-1.1	953.9

With St Kilda dropping out and the Roos climbing in, the composition of the MARS Top 8 is now the same as that of the competition ladder.

Team	Initial	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	R7	R8	R9	R10	R11	R12	R13	R14	R15	R16	R17
Geelong	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Hawthorn	8	3	4	4	3	3	3	2	2	4	3	3	4	4	4	3	3	2
Sydney	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	3	3	3	2	2	2	2	4	2	3	
Western Bulldogs	13	13	12	10	6	8	6	6	5	7	6	6	4	3	3	2	4	4
Collingwood	6	7	5	5	5	5	5	7	7	5	3	4	6	6	5	5	5	5
Adelaide	3	5	3	3	4	4	4	4	4	4	5	5	5	5	6	6	6	6
Brisbane Lions	11	10	11	11	8	10	9	8	8	6	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7
Kangaroos	10	12	10	12	7	6	8	9	9	9	9	9	11	9	10	10	9	8
St Kilda	9	9	6	8	10	9	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	9	8	8	9
Port Adelaide	4	6	7	7	9	7	7	5	6	8	8	8	8	8	8	9	10	10
Fremantle	7	8	9	6	12	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	9	11	11	11	11	11
Richmond	15	14	14	14	13	13	12	12	12	12	12	13	12	12	12	12	12	12
Carlton	16	16	16	16	15	15	15	14	14	14	14	14	14	14	13	13	13	13
Essendon	12	11	13	13	14	14	14	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	14	14	14
West Coast	5	4	8	9	11	12	13	13	13	13	13	12	13	13	14	15	15	15
Melbourne	14	15	15	15	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16	16

Here is the latest 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	13	14	15	16	17
Geelong	64	151.7	287	247	1,969	70	61.9%	5	185	188	1,298	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	L	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W
Western Bulldogs	54	123.1	294	216	1,980	53	64.3%	1	235	198	1,608	W	W	W	W	D	W	W	W	L	W	W	W	W	W	W	L	L
Hawthorn	52	123.1	268	232	1,840	36	57.8%	12	216	199	1,495	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	L	W	W	L	W	L	L	L	L
Sydney	42	120.0	230	225	1,605	42	55.7%	15	190	198	1,338	L	W	W	W	L	D	L	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	L	L	W
Kangaroos	38	97.8	231	212	1,598	53	59.2%	9	235	224	1,634	L	W	L	W	W	D	L	W	W	L	L	L	W	L	W	W	W
Collingwood	36	113.5	267	226	1,828	63	62.1%	4	235	201	1,611	W	L	W	L	L	W	L	W	W	W	W	W	L	L	W	L	L
Adelaide	36	106.2	223	225	1,563	52	56.3%	14	210	212	1,472	L	W	W	L	W	W	W	W	L	W	W	L	L	L	L	L	W
Brisbane Lions	36	105.3	255	249	1,779	59	57.3%	13	248	202	1,690	L	W	L	W	L	W	L	W	W	W	W	W	L	W	L	L	W
St Kilda	36	100.6	232	196	1,588	39	59.6%	8	230	198	1,578	W	W	L	L	W	L	W	L	L	W	L	L	L	W	W	W	L
Richmond	34	97.3	266	185	1,781	33	63.6%	2	268	223	1,831	W	L	L	W	D	L	L	L	W	L	L	W	W	L	W	W	W
Carlton	32	96.0	249	219	1,713	62	61.3%	7	261	219	1,785	L	L	L	W	W	L	W	L	W	L	W	W	L	L	L	L	W
Essendon	28	86.0	250	186	1,686	43	63.6%	3	287	238	1,960	W	L	W	L	L	L	L	L	L	L	L	L	W	W	W	W	L
Port Adelaide	20	92.0	235	197	1,607	51	61.7%	6	256	210	1,746	L	L	L	L	W	W	W	L	L	W	L	L	L	L	L	L	W
Fremantle	16	91.8	219	203	1,517	48	58.6%	10	241	207	1,653	L	L	W	L	L	L	L	L	L	L	L	L	L	L	L	L	W
West Coast	12	67.1	183	204	1,302	51	54.5%	16	288	212	1,940	W	L	L	L	L	L	L	L	L	L	W	L	L	L	L	L	L
Melbourne	8	64.6	188	181	1,309	47	58.4%	11	292	274	2,026	L	L	L	L	L	L	W	L	L	L	L	L	L	L	L	L	L

Geelong, the Roos and Richmond are now the only teams that have strung more than 2 back-to-back wins together. The Cats' streak currently stands at 8 and the Roos' and Tigers' are at 3.

Meantime Melbourne is the only team with a 3 game losing sequence. Three of the teams in the top 8 have now recorded 2 game losing sequences.

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Despite this weekend's loss, MARS is still predicting that the Saints will make the finals, with the Lions losing out because of their tougher run home.

The Top 4 is predicted to be the Cats, Hawks, Dogs and Swans, as per the current ladder though with the Dogs and Hawks trading positions.

Team	R13	Wins	Losses	Final Pts	Pred Finish	Prev Pred	MARS Rating	MARS Rank
Geelong	48	9	0	84	1	1	1,055.7	1
Hawthorn	44	7	2	72	2	3	1,019.7	2
Western Bulldogs	46	6	3	70	3	2	1,015.0	4
Sydney	38	5	4	58	4	4	1,017.2	3
Adelaide	32	5	4	52	5	8	1,008.2	6
Kangaroos	26	6	3	50	6	7	1,000.1	8
Collingwood	28	5	4	48	7	5	1,011.2	5
St Kilda	24	6	3	48	7	5	999.8	9
Brisbane Lions	32	2	7	40	9	8	1,002.5	7
Richmond	22	4	5	38	10	10	989.0	12
Essendon	16	5	4	36	11	11	984.5	14
Carlton	24	2	7	32	12	13	984.6	13
Port Adelaide	16	3	6	28	13	11	995.0	10
Fremantle	8	4	5	24	14	14	994.5	11
West Coast	8	2	7	16	15	15	969.2	15
Melbourne	4	1	8	8	16	16	953.9	16

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Appendix 1 : Cumulative Tipping Performance – All Tipsters

