

Looking at football
from a different
point of view

MAFL 2008

31st March
Round #2.1 2008

Round 2 Results

Bris Lions v Collingwood (Gabba, 28th March 2008)	
Sportsbet	\$1.75 \$2.00 50% - 57% 43% - 50% Bris Lions -6½ pts (\$1.90 / \$1.90)
Heritage	-
Alpha	-
Beta	-
Chi	-
Line	-
Chi	Brisbane by 1 (Game of the Round)
Quila	Brisbane by 1
Shadow	Collingwood
CTL	Collingwood
MM	Collingwood (43-0) (Dissenters: None)
Super MM	Collingwood (14-0) (Dissenters: None)
Uber MM	Collingwood
Simplified	Collingwood
Result	Brisbane 13.18 (96) def Collingwood 13.16 (94)

Melbourne v W Bulldogs (M.C.G., 29th March 2008)	
Sportsbet	\$3.10 \$1.33 25% - 32% 68% - 75% Melbourne +18½ pts (\$1.90 / \$1.90)
Heritage	Lost 10.51% (9.75%)
Alpha	-
Beta	-
Chi	-
Line	-
Chi	Western Bulldogs by 2
Quila	Melbourne by 1
Shadow	Western Bulldogs
CTL	Western Bulldogs
MM	Western Bulldogs (37-6) (Dissenters: MM3-8)
Super MM	Western Bulldogs (14-0) (Dissenters: None)
Uber MM	Western Bulldogs
Simplified	Western Bulldogs
Result	W Bulldogs 24.17 (161) def Melbourne 9.12 (66)

Adelaide v West Coast (Football Park, 29th March 2008)	
Sportsbet	\$1.75 \$2.00 50% - 57% 43% - 50% Adelaide -6½ pts (\$1.93 / \$1.87)
Heritage	-
Alpha	-
Beta	-
Chi	-
Line	-
Chi	Adelaide by 4
Quila	Adelaide by 6
Shadow	West Coast
CTL	West Coast
MM	West Coast (43-0) (Dissenters: None)
Super MM	West Coast (14-0) (Dissenters: None)
Uber MM	West Coast
Simplified	West Coast
Result	Adelaide 21.7 (133) def West Coast 8.9 (57)

St Kilda v Carlton (Docklands, 29th March 2008)	
Sportsbet	\$1.20 \$4.20 76% - 83% 17% - 24% St Kilda -26½ pts (\$1.90 / \$1.90)
Heritage	-
Alpha	-
Beta	-
Chi	-
Line	-
Chi	St Kilda by 14
Quila	St Kilda by 8
Shadow	St Kilda
CTL	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	St Kilda 19.11 (125) def. Carlton 12.13 (85)

Fremantle v Hawthorn (Subiaco, 29th March 2008)	
Sportsbet	\$1.78 \$1.95 49% - 56% 44% - 51% Fremantle -6½ pts (\$1.97 / \$1.83)
Heritage	-
Alpha	-
Beta	-
Chi	-
Line	-
Chi	Fremantle by 13
Quila	Fremantle by 10
Shadow	Hawthorn
CTL	Hawthorn
MM	Hawthorn (31-12) (Dissenters: MM32, 33, 35-44)
Super MM	Hawthorn (14-0) (Dissenters: None)
Uber MM	Hawthorn
Simplified	Hawthorn
Result	Hawthorn 16.16 (112) def. Fremantle 14.13 (97)

Sydney v Pt Adelaide (S.C.G., 30th March 2008)	
Sportsbet	\$1.68 \$2.10 52% - 60% 40% - 48% Sydney -6½ pts (\$1.90 / \$1.90)
Heritage	-
Alpha	-
Beta	-
Chi	-
Line	-
Chi	Sydney by 29
Quila	Sydney by 29
Shadow	Port Adelaide
CTL	Port Adelaide
MM	Port Adelaide (25-18) (Dissenters: MM2, 16, 29-44)
Super MM	Sydney (14-0) (Dissenters: None)
Uber MM	Sydney
Simplified	Sydney
Result	Sydney 22.14 (146) def. Port Adelaide 11.12 (78)

Essendon v Geelong (Docklands, 30th March 2008)	
Sportsbet	\$3.65 \$1.25 20% - 27% 73% - 80% Essendon +20½ pts (\$1.90 / \$1.90)
Heritage	Lost 13.48% (12.50%)
Alpha	-
Beta	-
Chi	-
Line	-
Chi	Geelong by 10
Quila	Geelong by 3
Shadow	Geelong
CTL	Essendon
MM	Geelong (43-0) (Dissenters: None)
Super MM	Geelong (14-0) (Dissenters: None)
Uber MM	Geelong
Simplified	Geelong
Result	Geelong 22.18 (150) def. Essendon 6.15 (51)

Richmond v Kangaroos (M.C.G., 30th March 2008)	
Sportsbet	\$2.10 \$1.68 40% - 48% 52% - 60% Richmond +7½ pts (\$1.90 / \$1.90)
Heritage	Lost 5.68% (5.26%)
Alpha	-
Beta	-
Chi	-
Line	-
Chi	Kangaroos by 8
Quila	Richmond by 8
Shadow	Richmond
CTL	Richmond
MM	Kangaroos (40-3) (Dissenters: MM2, 5, 6)
Super MM	Richmond (10-4) (Dissenters: SM3, 4, 5, 6)
Uber MM	Richmond
Simplified	Richmond
Result	Kangaroos 20.7 (127) def. Richmond 13.8 (86)

Round 2 Statistics		
Scoring	Winners	Losers
Goals	157	86
Behinds	108	98
Ave Score	131.3	76.8
Ave Marg	54.5	
Qtrs Won	Winners	Losers
1st	7	1
2nd	7	1
3rd	5.5	2.5
4th	7	1
Qtr Leads	Winners	Losers
End of 1st	7	1
End of 2nd	8	0
End 3rd	7	1
Tipping	Tipster	Score
1st	BKB	12
2nd	Various (incl CTM)	11
Last	MM4-6 & CTL	7
Ave Score	5.03 (Std Dev = 0.73)	

Results in Review

MAFL Funds

Regular MAFL Investors will know that I don't offer excuses.

This weekend we had three bets for three losses. What's most disappointing is that none of them was a realistic chance much after the first quarter, though the Tigers did flop about and show a pulse for a little longer than that.

The carnage of the weekend leaves the Heritage Fund share price at \$0.7816 and the portfolios of various MAFL Investors as shown in the table at right. There's far too much red there for me to be happy.

Someone once said that the sooner you fall behind, the longer you have to catch up. It wasn't me.

For what it's worth, all the other Funds, had they been trading, would also have been underwater so far this season. When Away team favourites are winning and covering the spread, it's not a good time for MAFL Investors.

Roll on next week.

Investor #	Profit/Loss (%)
001	(8.74%)
002	(21.84%)
003	(6.55%)
004	(6.55%)
005	(6.55%)
006	(6.55%)
007	(6.55%)
008	(6.55%)
009	(6.55%)
010	-
011	-
012	(6.55%)
013	(6.55%)
014	(6.55%)
015	0.00%
016	(6.55%)

Tipping

With all but one favourite prevailing, this was an even better week for tipsters than last week. Amongst the tipsters, Chi matched BKB's 7 from 8 performance, nine tipsters scored 6 from 8, and 45 tipsters scored 5 from 8. The overall tipster average of just over 5 was a full ½ tip better than last week.

Collingwood's and West Coast's losses were the two that tripped up most tipsters, with Port Adelaide and Richmond snagging a few more.

After two rounds, the front-running tipsters are shown in the following table (for full details, see the last page of the newsletter):

Score	Models
12	BKB
11	MM11, MM16, MM29, MM34, SM3, SM4, SM5, SM6 & CTM

Quarter Analyses

This season we've seen fewer lead changes than we did last year, so the importance of winning quarters and leading at the end of quarters has been heightened.

So far this season,

- 13 of 16 teams that have led at quarter-time have gone on to win
- 13 of 16 teams that have led at half-time have gone on to win
- 15 of 16 teams that have led at three-quarter-time have gone on to win
- 11 of 16 teams that have won the 2nd quarter have gone on to win
- 11 of 16 teams that have won the 3rd quarter have gone on to win
- 13 of 16 teams that have won the 4th quarter have gone on to win

This dominance is reflected in the average margins of victory, which this week was a huge 54½ points, a full 20 points higher than the average margin of recent seasons.

Team Quarter-by-Quarter Analysis

The tables below show how each team is performing on a quarter-by-quarter basis. The top set of tables records the performance as at the end of each quarter, and the bottom set records the performance during each quarter.

RESULT AT END OF EACH QUARTER BY TEAM

	Quarter 1								Quarter 2								Quarter 3								Quarter 4							
	R	W	D	L	Pts	PF	PA	%	R	W	D	L	Pts	PF	PA	%	R	W	D	L	Pts	PF	PA	%	R	W	D	L	Pts	PF	PA	%
<i>Adelaide</i>	7	1	0	1	4	53	47	112.8	3	2	0	0	8	115	73	157.5	7	1	0	1	4	169	134	126.1	6	1	0	1	4	256	183	139.9
<i>Brisbane Lions</i>	11	1	0	1	4	31	59	52.5	10	1	0	1	4	86	94	91.5	13	0	0	2	0	128	151	84.8	10	1	0	1	4	172	186	92.5
<i>Carlton</i>	5	1	1	0	6	55	44	125.0	8	1	0	1	4	102	108	94.4	14	0	0	2	0	116	152	76.3	14	0	0	2	0	164	234	70.1
<i>Collingwood</i>	9	1	0	1	4	42	42	100.0	9	1	0	1	4	95	102	93.1	5	2	0	0	8	154	132	116.7	7	1	0	1	4	205	181	113.3
<i>Essendon</i>	16	0	0	2	0	20	55	36.4	12	1	0	1	4	74	118	62.7	10	1	0	1	4	129	166	77.7	11	1	0	1	4	173	217	79.7
<i>Fremantle</i>	13	0	0	2	0	39	43	90.7	14	0	0	2	0	72	103	69.9	12	0	0	2	0	131	147	89.1	13	0	0	2	0	182	223	81.6
<i>Geelong</i>	2	2	0	0	8	68	32	212.5	2	2	0	0	8	143	61	234.4	2	2	0	0	8	198	100	198.0	2	2	0	0	8	255	147	173.5
<i>Hawthorn</i>	3	2	0	0	8	57	27	211.1	1	2	0	0	8	107	39	274.4	1	2	0	0	8	179	89	201.1	1	2	0	0	8	266	147	181.0
<i>Kangaroos</i>	1	2	0	0	8	73	31	235.5	7	1	0	1	4	113	96	117.7	8	1	0	1	4	164	162	101.2	9	1	0	1	4	194	208	93.3
<i>Melbourne</i>	15	0	0	2	0	23	52	44.2	16	0	0	2	0	49	115	42.6	16	0	0	2	0	70	223	31.4	16	0	0	2	0	116	315	36.8
<i>Port Adelaide</i>	14	0	0	2	0	49	78	62.8	15	0	0	2	0	80	133	60.2	15	0	0	2	0	116	195	59.5	15	0	0	2	0	174	251	69.3
<i>Richmond</i>	12	0	1	1	2	46	73	63.0	13	0	0	2	0	99	130	76.2	11	1	0	1	4	138	183	75.4	8	1	0	1	4	195	206	94.7
<i>St Kilda</i>	6	1	0	1	4	44	35	125.7	5	1	1	0	6	85	72	118.1	3	2	0	0	8	127	80	158.8	4	2	0	0	8	176	134	131.3
<i>Sydney</i>	10	1	0	1	4	45	52	86.5	4	1	1	0	6	95	73	130.1	6	1	0	1	4	146	96	152.1	5	1	0	1	4	195	129	151.2
<i>West Coast</i>	8	1	0	1	4	51	48	106.3	11	1	0	1	4	75	93	80.6	9	1	0	1	4	114	144	79.2	12	1	0	1	4	149	209	71.3
<i>Western Bulldogs</i>	4	2	0	0	8	51	29	175.9	6	1	0	1	4	108	88	122.7	4	2	0	0	8	208	133	156.4	3	2	0	0	8	287	189	151.9

QUARTERS WON, DRAWN & LOST BY TEAM

	Quarter 1								Quarter 2								Quarter 3								Quarter 4							
	R	W	D	L	Pts	PF	PA	%	R	W	D	L	Pts	PF	PA	%	R	W	D	L	Pts	PF	PA	%	R	W	D	L	Pts	PF	PA	%
<i>Adelaide</i>	7	1	0	1	4	53	47	112.8	3	2	0	0	8	62	26	238.5	13	0	1	1	2	54	61	88.5	5	1	0	1	4	87	49	177.6
<i>Brisbane Lions</i>	11	1	0	1	4	31	59	52.5	5	2	0	0	8	55	35	157.1	10	1	0	1	4	42	57	73.7	6	1	0	1	4	44	35	125.7
<i>Carlton</i>	5	1	1	0	6	55	44	125.0	11	1	0	1	4	47	64	73.4	15	0	0	2	0	14	44	31.8	15	0	0	2	0	48	82	58.5
<i>Collingwood</i>	9	1	0	1	4	42	42	100.0	9	1	0	1	4	53	60	88.3	3	2	0	0	8	59	30	196.7	8	1	0	1	4	51	49	104.1
<i>Essendon</i>	16	0	0	2	0	20	55	36.4	10	1	0	1	4	54	63	85.7	8	1	0	1	4	55	48	114.6	11	1	0	1	4	44	51	86.3
<i>Fremantle</i>	13	0	0	2	0	39	43	90.7	14	0	0	2	0	33	60	55.0	7	1	0	1	4	59	44	134.1	13	0	0	2	0	51	76	67.1
<i>Geelong</i>	2	2	0	0	8	68	32	212.5	2	2	0	0	8	75	29	258.6	6	1	0	1	4	55	39	141.0	7	1	0	1	4	57	47	121.3
<i>Hawthorn</i>	3	2	0	0	8	57	27	211.1	1	2	0	0	8	50	12	416.7	5	1	0	1	4	72	50	144.0	2	2	0	0	8	87	58	150.0
<i>Kangaroos</i>	1	2	0	0	8	73	31	235.5	12	0	0	2	0	40	65	61.5	9	1	0	1	4	51	66	77.3	14	0	0	2	0	30	46	65.2
<i>Melbourne</i>	15	0	0	2	0	23	52	44.2	16	0	0	2	0	26	63	41.3	16	0	0	2	0	21	108	19.4	16	0	0	2	0	46	92	50.0
<i>Port Adelaide</i>	14	0	0	2	0	49	78	62.8	13	0	0	2	0	31	55	56.4	12	1	0	1	4	36	62	58.1	9	1	0	1	4	58	56	103.6
<i>Richmond</i>	12	0	1	1	2	46	73	63.0	8	1	0	1	4	53	57	93.0	11	1	0	1	4	39	53	73.6	1	2	0	0	8	57	23	247.8
<i>St Kilda</i>	6	1	0	1	4	44	35	125.7	6	1	0	1	4	41	37	110.8	1	2	0	0	8	42	8	525.0	10	1	0	1	4	49	54	90.7
<i>Sydney</i>	10	1	0	1	4	45	52	86.5	4	2	0	0	8	50	21	238.1	4	1	0	1	4	51	23	221.7	3	2	0	0	8	49	33	148.5
<i>West Coast</i>	8	1	0	1	4	51	48	106.3	15	0	0	2	0	24	45	53.3	14	0	1	1	2	39	51	76.5	12	1	0	1	4	35	65	53.8
<i>Western Bulldogs</i>	4	2	0	0	8	51	29	175.9	7	1	0	1	4	57	59	96.6	2	2	0	0	8	100	45	222.2	4	2	0	0	8	79	56	141.1

So, for example, looking at the first row of the uppermost tables, Adelaide has led at the end of 1 first quarter and trailed at the end of 1, scoring 53 points and conceding 47 in so doing. This ranks it 7th amongst all teams. Further, it has led in both of its games at half time and has scored 115-73 in the first half, ranking it 3rd.

Turning next to the bottommost tables and again looking at the top row, the second block shows that Adelaide has outscored its opponent in both 2nd quarters, returning an aggregate result of 62-26, once again ranking it 3rd.

It's a bit early to draw too much significance from these tables, but I do note that Carlton, as per last year, wish games would be declared over at the first change (they'd be 5th).

Team Ratings Update

Large margins of victory have produced some sizeable changes in ratings this week.

RATINGS					
Team	Initial	Δ R1	End R1	Δ R2	End R2
Geelong	1,027.4	+0.3	1,027.7	+5.4	1,033.1
Sydney	1,010.7	-0.3	1,010.4	+5.4	1,015.7
Adelaide	1,008.4	-0.8	1,007.6	+6.0	1,013.6
Port Adelaide	1,007.4	-0.3	1,007.0	-5.4	1,001.7
West Coast	1,006.6	+1.0	1,007.6	-6.0	1,001.6
Collingwood	1,004.0	+2.2	1,006.2	-0.3	1,006.0
Fremantle	1,004.0	-2.2	1,001.7	-1.4	1,000.3
Hawthorn	1,002.9	+5.5	1,008.5	+1.4	1,009.9
St Kilda	1,001.0	+0.3	1,001.4	+2.3	1,003.7
Kangaroos	1,000.7	-5.4	995.3	+3.7	999.0
Brisbane Lions	999.6	-1.0	998.6	+0.3	998.9
Essendon	990.0	+5.4	995.4	-5.4	990.1
Western Bulldogs	988.4	+0.8	989.3	+6.3	995.6
Melbourne	987.2	-5.5	981.7	-6.3	975.3
Richmond	986.3	+2.6	988.9	-3.7	985.2
Carlton	975.2	-2.6	972.6	-2.3	970.4

RANKINGS					
Team	Initial	Δ R1	R1	Δ R2	R2
Geelong	1	-	1	-	1
Sydney	2	-	2	-	2
Adelaide	3	Down 2	5	Up 2	3
Port Adelaide	4	Down 2	6	Down 1	7
West Coast	5	Up 1	4	Down 4	8
Collingwood	6	Down 1	7	Up 2	5
Fremantle	7	Down 1	8	Down 1	9
Hawthorn	8	Up 5	3	Down 1	4
St Kilda	9	-	9	Up 3	6
Kangaroos	10	Down 2	12	Up 2	10
Brisbane Lions	11	Up 1	10	Down 1	11
Essendon	12	Up 1	11	Down 2	13
Western Bulldogs	13	-	13	Up 1	12
Melbourne	14	Down 1	15	-	15
Richmond	15	Up 1	14	-	14
Carlton	16	-	16	-	16

The current predicted Final 8 is:

- Geelong
- Sydney
- Adelaide
- Hawthorn
- Collingwood
- St Kilda
- Port Adelaide
- West Coast

Compared to last week the sole change in the composition of the predicted final 8 is the inclusion of the Saints at the expense of Freo.

Across seasons 2000 to 2007 the MARS Predictor has correctly predicted an average of 5.38 of the 8 finalists.

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It's always much harder to perform the necessary updates to the myriad of spreadsheets that I maintain and to write these newsletters after a poor weekend's wagering.

Here's to a better weekend in Round 3.

'til next time,

Tony

31 March 2008

Cumulative Tipping Performance – All Tipsters

