



U9 Hopper



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Most Improved	Elijah Morrison
Sportsmanship	Ben Fogarty
Leading Goal Kicker	Luke Marshall

Season Summary

The boys got off to a flying start winning their first game and establishing their strengths as a team. It was a great enjoyable start to the season energising the boys with smiles a sense of achievement and a real feel for the game.

They continued to support each other and grew stronger as a team as the weeks progressed forming new friendships and developing their skills as they worked hard at training. They put into practice what was covered in training and continued to work hard during their games throughout the season playing with passion whilst having a great time.

Over the season some teams were more challenging than others and Team Hopper came out on top winning most of the games in front of them and holding their heads high when faced with a defeat.

Overall the boys showed great AFL spirit and this shone through each of them as they upheld the Magpies values. Having fun, continually improving, being respectful of the other teams players, umpires and officials, supporting each other and working together as a team.

I wish to give a special thank you to my team manager Brett and assistant coach Anthony for your help, support, encouragement and guidance throughout and for making the season a great one. A big thank you to the parents for your support, coming out in the cold, wind, rain, shine and often darkness. Thank you for being the boys personal taxi service to and from training sessions and on match days and for half time oranges.

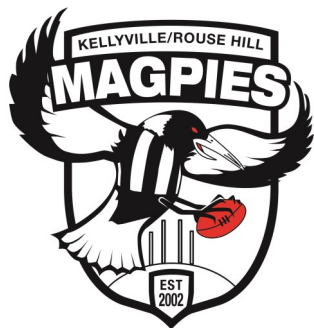
Well done boys you should be enormously proud of how you applied yourselves this season, you represented the club with great pride, team spirit and success.

Assistant Coach: Anthony Marshall

Manager: Brett Stewart

James Crabtree

Coach:



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Player Profiles:

Thomas brand – Tough young player, super competitive a great kicker and showed great courage with a fearless tackling ability. These qualities were consistent throughout the season.

Luke Marshall – A natural AFL athlete who could read the play well, great goal sense, speed and an explosive kick. Our most consistent goal scoring player.

Elijah Morrison – Great defensive positioning, strong tackling who would dominate games with his ball winning ability. Continued to improve his skills and ability week after week to end the season as our most improved player.

Andreas Morrison - Fast Fast Fast, explosive athlete with tear away speed and a will to win the ball. This ability would naturally progress the play forward. Our fastest player with great game sense.

Ben Fogarty – All round star who's flexibility and positive attitude shone throughout the season. A real team player with great tackling ability, booming goal scoring kicks and clearances. A pleasure to coach.

Riley Howell - Versatile player who played a critical part in building a strong forward team. Excelled in creating goal scoring opportunities, scoring goals and marking.

Xavier Yearsley – Strong overhead marking and ball winning ruck. Was able to raise the game and his team mates in any position. Great all rounder chasing, tackling and goal scoring.

Carter Hyams - Played with great team spirit, focus and commitment. Plays well in any position on the field with a great strength for clearances and goal scoring. His confidence, ball skills and ability grew throughout the season.

Joe Crabtree - Outstanding team first attitude who consistently brought team mates into the game. Found confidence and a natural strength in defending. A real selfless player who improved all round as the season progressed.

Jackson Stewart – Skilful player with a natural feel for the game. Showed great confidence, ball skill and exemplified team attitude. An unfortunate accident part way through the season prevented him from playing. Despite not being able to play he continued to attend and support training sessions and games. He returned toward the end of the season strong, chasing, tackling and scoring goals.





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