

**AFL 2011 ROUND 13  
ST KILDA V GEELONG**



**SATURDAY JUNE 18, 2011  
FACT SHEET**

### **AN INAUSPICIOUS BEGINNING**

St Kilda's first league season in 1897 was one to forget. With scores of 0.2 (2) in Round 3, 0.3 (3) in Round 10 and the same again in Round 12, the side did not manage a win in the 14 rounds. Their highest score was 7.4 (46) in their 30-point loss to Melbourne in Round 4. They again failed to win a match in 1898 and 1899 and it was not until Round 1 of the 1900 season that they finally broke through to defeat Melbourne by one point. The match actually ended in a draw but St Kilda argued that one of Melbourne's behinds was kicked well after the three-quarter time bell, and the score was amended. This was to be the side's only win for the season. In 1901 and 1902, the side won just one match in each season.

### **FRED WOOLLER, GEELONG'S 1963 PREMIERSHIP CAPTAIN**

Recruited from Bacchus Marsh to the Cats in 1956 Wooller played 132 games (225 goals) for the Cats until his retirement in 1964. Slightly built and weighing less than 12 stone, Wooller's speed and marking ability was obvious from early in his career. He started at full forward and was eventually moved to centre-half forward where he remained for the rest of his career. His talent was such that he was selected for the state side at the age of 18 in only his second season at Geelong and played for the Big V three times that year. In 1963 Wooller was appointed captain of the side and led the Cats to their first premierships since 1952. He held the position until his retirement in 1964. In the book *1963 Cats in Command* by Bruce Kennedy and Bruce Coe, Bob Davis is quoted as saying: "Although I was delighted for every single player, I was happy that Fred Wooller was there to accept the premierships trophy as Geelong captain... (he) developed into one of the best centre half forwards in the league. He was an ideal captain, a man who led from the front, and I couldn't have wished for a better skipper in a grand final." Wooller went on to coach Tasmanian side Penguin after his retirement at the end of the 1964 season.

### **PLAYED FOR BOTH**

**Glenn Middlemiss** Recruited from Geelong West as a utility player, Middlemiss played 34 games (29 goals) for the Cats between 1979 and 1981 and 16 games (10 goals) for the Saints between 1981 and 1984. He once kicked seven goals at full forward for Geelong but distinguished himself in the 1984 season at St Kilda, appearing before the tribunal on no fewer than five occasions. His father, Russell Middlemiss, also played 74 games with the Cats, including their great sides of the 1951 and 1952 premierships seasons.

**George Haines** A skilful rover, Haines played 87 games (71 goals) between 1909 and 1914 for Geelong, 106 games (97 goals) for Melbourne between 1919 and 1925 and one game (one goal) for St Kilda in 1927. He played for Victoria in the 1911 and 1914 carnivals and won a gold medal as Victoria's best player in the latter series. His actual surname was Heinz but he changed this due to anti-German feeling at the time. Haines served with the AIF during the First World War after which he joined Melbourne and captained the side in 1919 and 1920. He was coach of the 1919 side. He unsuccessfully attempted a comeback as a player with St Kilda in 1927 but stayed to coach the team that year.

### **DID YOU KNOW?**

1. In 1898 VFL team Geelong was a player short for their match against Carlton. Young Ernest Anderson was plucked from the crowd and, despite having only played a couple of football matches previously, performed well. However, his debut match was his one and only game for Geelong.
2. Geelong player Shane Taylor holds the rare but unfortunate honour of being amongst those players to be reported in their first match. Taylor was suspended for four matches for striking South Melbourne's Michael Wright in Round 1, 1980.
3. Fitzroy's only win during the 1963 season was against Geelong at the Brunswick Street Oval. The Cats went on to win that season's premierships.
4. The 1924 Second XVIII premierships was awarded to Geelong in controversial circumstances after the Essendon side forfeited their round-robin finals match because they refused to play in Geelong.
5. In Round 6, 1928 Fitzroy had two more scoring shots than Geelong at Corio Oval but lost by 83 points. Geelong kicked 19.8 (122) to Fitzroy's 2.27 (39).

## This Round in History – Round 13 on the MCG

The highest score at the MCG is 29.18 (192) by Geelong against North Melbourne 17.13 (115) in 1992. The overall Round 13 record is 34.16 (220) by Fitzroy against North Melbourne 10.10 (70) at the Junction Oval in 1983.

The most goals kicked by an individual at the MCG is 11 by Doug Wade for Geelong against Richmond in 1972. The overall Round 13 record is 16 goals by Gordon Coventry for Collingwood

against Hawthorn at Victoria Park in 1929.

The highest score in a quarter at the MCG is 10.1 (61) by Geelong during the last quarter against Richmond in 1972. The overall Round 13 record for the highest score in a quarter is 13.2 (80) by South Melbourne against Carlton in the third quarter at the Lakeside Oval in 1934.

The highest Round 13 attendance at the MCG is 83,407 in 2009 when Essendon defeated Carlton.

## Statistics for St Kilda v Geelong

### St Kilda v Geelong by venue

|               | Won by St Kilda | Won by Geelong | Drawn |
|---------------|-----------------|----------------|-------|
| Corio Oval    | 10              | 33             | 0     |
| Docklands     | 6               | 6              | 0     |
| Junction Oval | 34              | 24             | 0     |
| Kardinia Park | 13              | 43             | 0     |
| MCG           | 3               | 4              | 0     |
| Waverley Park | 8               | 5              | 0     |
| Moorabbin     | 8               | 9              | 0     |
|               | 82              | 124            | 0     |

### Most Goals in a Match

|    |             |      |       |      |       |
|----|-------------|------|-------|------|-------|
| 12 | G. Moloney  | Geel | Rd 2  | 1931 | Corio |
| 11 | J. McShane  | Geel | Rd 17 | 1899 | Corio |
| 11 | L. White    | Geel | Rd 10 | 1948 | KP    |
| 10 | D. McNamara | St K | Rd 17 | 1922 | JO    |
| 10 | L. Daily    | Gee  | Rd 1  | 1934 | Corio |

### Highest Score

|          |             |       |      |     |
|----------|-------------|-------|------|-----|
| St Kilda | 27.15 (177) | Rd 16 | 1993 | Wav |
| Geelong  | 35.18 (228) | Rd 7  | 1989 | KP  |

### Lowest Score

|          |           |       |      |       |
|----------|-----------|-------|------|-------|
| St Kilda | 0.1 (1)   | Rd 17 | 1899 | Corio |
| Geelong  | 0.18 (18) | Rd 5  | 1919 | Corio |

### Greatest Winning Margin

|          |            |       |      |       |
|----------|------------|-------|------|-------|
| St Kilda | 94 points  | Rd 1  | 1971 | KP    |
| Geelong  | 161 points | Rd 17 | 1899 | Corio |

### Last Match – Round 1, 2011, MCG

|                    |           |           |
|--------------------|-----------|-----------|
|                    | Geelong   | St Kilda  |
| Quarter time       | 0.4       | 2.5       |
| Half time          | 1.7       | 2.9       |
| Three-quarter time | 4.10      | 4.11      |
| Full time          | 6.12 (48) | 6.11 (47) |



Geelong host St Kilda at Corio Oval in 1914. Geelong won by 16 points, 9.7 (61) to 5.15 (45).

### FACT SHEETS ON THE MCC WEBSITE:

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