



MELBOURNE CRICKET CLUB

AFL 2021 ROUND 21 RICHMOND V NORTH MELBOURNE

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THEIR ONLY GRAND FINAL

These two sides have met each other in a final on six occasions, but only once in a Grand Final. This occurred in 1974. Richmond had finished on top of the ladder at the end of the home and away rounds, and North second, one win behind them. The two sides met in the Second Semi Final, with the Tigers prevailing by 21 points. North progressed to the Grand Final with a close fought five point victory over Hawthorn.

A huge crowd of 113,839 turned up on 28 September. The full forwards of both sides put on a great display, with the Tigers' Barry Richardson kicking five goals and North's Doug Wade kicking four. Richmond led at every break, by six points at quarter time, 20 at the main break and 19 at three quarter time. They took over in the last quarter, kicking six goals to the Kangaroos' two, and went on to win by a margin of 41 points. Royce Hart, with three goals, and Neil Balme, Mike Green and Kevin Sheedy with two each, were the other multiple goal scorers for the Tigers. Barry Cable and Sam Kekovich were North's other multiple goal scorers with two each.

Richmond 18.20 (128) def. North Melbourne 13.9 (87)

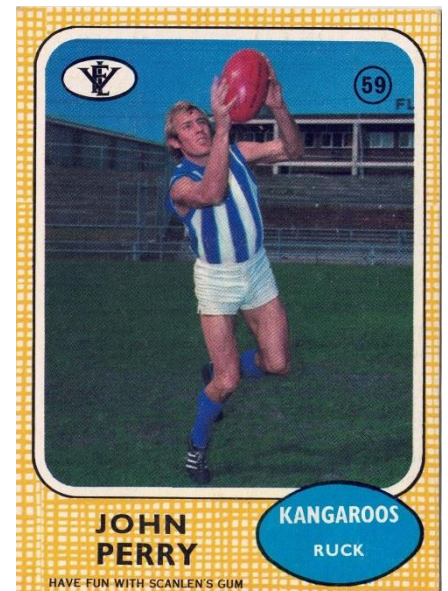
THEIR TWO DRAWS

In the 161 matches between these two sides, they have only played two draws, both of which were played at the MCG. The first of these was in Round 8, 1966. North's errant kicking, 8.23 (71) almost certainly cost them the win, with the Tigers scoring 10.11 (71). Richmond had 10 individual goalkickers, with North's Frank Goode being his side's only multiple goal scorer, with three. Forty-three years later, in Round 16, 2009, again at the MCG, this time Richmond probably had themselves to blame for not registering a victory. They led by 42 points at the main break but only kicked two goals in the second half, to North's nine. The final score read 12.13 (85) each. Jack Riewoldt led the Tigers' scoring with three goals and Leigh Harding, with the same total, led the Kangaroos' scoring.

PLAYED FOR BOTH

John Perry (pictured right) came to Richmond from Wodonga, playing 26 games (1 goal) for the Tigers from 1964 to 1969, including in their 1967 premiership side. His career with Richmond was limited both by National Service and injury. In 1970 he transferred to North Melbourne where he played a further 57 games (26 goals) before retiring at the end of 1974. He went on to play with Williamstown and later coach his old side Wodonga. Perry is the grandson of former Swan Bill Strang, nephew of Tigers Alan Strang, Colin Strang and Gordon Strang and cousin of Geoff Strang.

Bill Nettlefold came to Richmond from St Kevin's Old Boys in 1973, playing in the Reserves premiership side, and playing his first senior game the next year. Playing just 15 games (6 goals) in his two seasons with the club, he moved to North Melbourne at the end of 1975 where he played 51 games (22 goals) including in their 1977 premiership side. Again moving on at the end of the 1979 season, Nettlefold went off to the Demons where he played a further 34 games (14 goals) before retiring at the end of the 1982 season. He returned to the Tigers in 1985 as a specialist coach.



OVER TO YOU

1. Can you name the first three placegetters in Richmond's 2020 best and fairest award, the Jack Dyer Medal?
2. Can you name the half back line in Richmond's Team of the Century?
3. In 1990 Richmond was saved by a campaign called what?
4. Which Richmond players had the following nicknames – "Hungry", "Swooper", "The General" and "Flea"?
5. When did the MCG become Richmond's home ground?

This Round in History – Round 21 on the MCG

The highest Round 21 score at the MCG is 28.19 (187) by Richmond against Fitzroy 5.6 (36) in 1996. The overall Round 21 highest score is 35.15 (225) by Hawthorn against Geelong 13.12 (90) at Princes Park in 1986. The most goals by an individual at the MCG for this round is 11 by Bernie Quinlan (right) for Fitzroy against North Melbourne in 1984. Fitzroy kicked 26.9 (165) and won by 54 points. The overall Round 21 goalkicking record is 13 by Tony Lockett for St Kilda against Carlton at Waverley Park in 1991. St Kilda kicked 23.17 (155) to win by 54 points. The highest score in a quarter is 11.7 (73) by Richmond in the last quarter against Fitzroy in 1996. The overall Round 21 record is 13.4 (82) by Hawthorn against Geelong in the last quarter at Princes Park in 1986. The highest Round 21 attendance at the MCG was recorded on Saturday August 21, 1993 when 85,054 saw Carlton defeat Collingwood by 54 points.

Statistics for Richmond v North Melbourne

Richmond v North Melbourne by venue

	Won by Richmond	Won by North Melb	Drawn
Arden Street	28	21	0
Bellerive Oval	0	2	0
Carrara	1	0	0
Coburg	0	1	0
Docklands	6	9	0
MCG	21	27	2
Princes Park	0	1	0
Punt Road	24	7	0
SCG	0	1	0
Waverley Park	6	4	0
	86	73	2

Last Time They Met – Round 7, 2020, Carrara

	Richmond	Nth Melb
Quarter time	4.3	0.0
Half time	6.5	2.3
Three-quarter time	9.7	2.6
Full time	11.11 (77)	2.11 (23)

DOUG WADE'S 1000TH VFL/AFL GOAL

Doug Wade had booted 998 career goals for Geelong and North Melbourne when the 1974 finals series commenced on September 7, 1974. Wade's North Melbourne had made the finals and was rostered to face Hawthorn in the Qualifying Final at the MCG. In the match North would come back from 22 points down at the 11 minute mark of the third quarter to win by 38 points, 15.13 (103) to 8.17 (65). Wade was held to just two goals by the Hawks' Kelvin Moore, but his second goal, kicked on the run from long range at the 19 minute mark of the final quarter, was his 1000th career goal. With it he became just the second player, after Gordon Coventry, to kick 1000 goals in League football. It is a feat that only three other players, Tony Lockett, Jason Dunstall and Gary Ablett Snr, have since achieved.

Highest Score

Richmond	30.19 (199)	Rd 2	1931	PR
North Melb	32.17 (209)	Rd 2	1990	MCG

Lowest Score

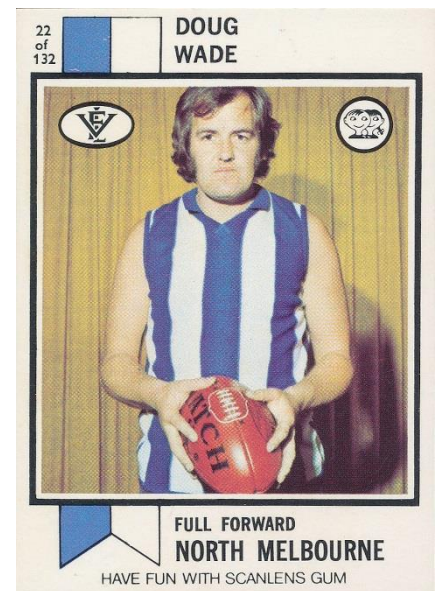
Richmond	3.8 (26)	Rd 3	1960	AS
North Melb	2.9 (21)	Rd 1	1928	PR

Greatest Winning Margin

Richmond	168 points	Rd 2	1931	PR
North Melb	141 points	Rd 2	1990	MCG

Most Goals in a Match

14	D. Strang	Richmond	Rd 2	1931	Punt
12	J. Longmire	North Melb	Rd 2	1990	MCG
10	D. Strang	Richmond	Rd 13	1933	AS



OVER TO YOU ANSWERS:

Q1 Jayden Short, Dustin Martin and Nick Vlastuin. **Q2** Basil McCormack, Gordon Strang, Mervyn Keane. **Q3** The "Save our Skins (SOS)" campaign. **Q4** Kevin Bartlett, John Northey, Mark Lee and Dale Weightman. **Q5** 1965.

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