



Name Changes

The grand finals of 1935 and 1936 were battles between Collingwood and South Melbourne. The club formerly known as South Melbourne are now known as the Sydney Swans after their relocation in the 1980s. While not many teams have changed cities, many have changed their nicknames. Can you match the teams with their former nicknames?

Present Name	Past Name
Geelong Cats	Shinboners
Richmond Tigers	Same Olds
Melbourne Demons	Pivotonians
North Melbourne Kangaroos	Mayblossoms
Essendon Bombers	Wasps
Hawthorn Hawks	Redlegs

Conduct some research and find out why the above teams used to be known by these nicknames. Write down 3 interesting facts you find:

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____



Footy Senses

The author, Neridah McMullin, uses detail to help readers imagine the sensations spectators feel while watching Collingwood train at Victoria Park. Not only does she describe what Tom and his grandpa can see, she also describes other sensations they experience. One example is:

The smell of liniment and mud wafted through the air. Tom inhaled deeply – it was the smell of football.

Imagine yourself at an AFL game. Describe the sensations you experience via each of your senses:

Liniment and mud



Smells



Sights



Sounds



Tastes



Touch



Team Songs

Tom and his grandpa stood shoulder to shoulder with the other barrackers behind the boundary fence. Just like Tom and his grandpa standing with the other spectator, the Collingwood team song states 'side by side we stick together'. Can you match the AFL teams with the well-known line from their songs?

Team	Song Line
Melbourne Demons	We're a happy team at ???
Hawthorn Hawks	It's a grand old flag
Geelong Cats	A fighting fury we're from ???
West Coast Eagles	We are ??? the greatest team of all
Fremantle Dockers	Sons of the West
Richmond Tigers	We're flying high
Western Bulldogs	We are the Navy Blues
Carlton Blues	??? heave-ho!

Answers: Melbourne-It's a grand old flag, Hawthorn-We're a happy team at Hawthorn, Geelong-We are Geelong the greatest team of all, West Coast-We're flying high, Fremantle-Freo heave-ho!, Richmond-We're from Tigerland, Western Bulldogs-Sons of the West, Carlton-We are the Navy Blues.



Play the Corridor

Grandpa tells Tom that the Collingwood teams plays the 'corridor' down the centre of the ground. They do this to avoid accidentally putting the ball out of bounds and giving the opposition a free kick. Today we are going to see how fast you can travel down the corridor! Choose a number between 2 and 10. Multiply your number by the number in the right hand column and write your answer in the left column. Time how fast it takes you to get down the corridor.





Dice Footy

Footy isn't only a game to be played outside. Footy can be played inside too! All you need is an opponent and a dice. Follow the instructions and challenge a classmate to a game.

EQUIPMENT:

1 x Dice

Football Score Card

INSTRUCTIONS:

(1) Each player rolls the dice and determines their score for the first quarter.

First Roll	Second Roll
Tells you how many goals you kicked.	Tells you how many points you kicked.

(2) Repeat for all four quarters

(3) Add your scores for each quarter together to determine the final score. The highest score wins.

FOOTY SCORE CARD

_____ Vs _____

<i>Quarter</i>	<i>Goals</i>	<i>Points</i>	<i>Total Score</i>
1			
2			
3			
4			

Can you win four games in a row just like when Collingwood won four premierships in a row?



Who Is It?

Collingwood has had more than their fair share of champion players throughout their history. From the information in *Side by Side, Shoulder to Shoulder*, can figure out who these superstar Magpies are?

1. One of the most amazing handballers. He was sure and clean and fast.

2. Had huge hands and a vice-like grip to take marks and kick goals.

3. He could run as fast as lightning.

4. A fearless player who won the Brownlow Medal when he was only twenty.

5. A powerful man who was like an acrobat when he baulks and blind turns.

6. Had loads of courage. Always has his head over the ball.

7. Led the Magpies to four premierships in a row.

8. Revolutionised the full-back position by marking the ball instead of punching.

Answers: 1. Jack Beveridge, 2. Gordon Coventry, 3. Bruce Andrews, 4. Albert Collier, 5. Alby Pannam, 6. Harry Collier, 7. Syd Coventry, 8. Jack Regan.



The Machine

The team that delivered four premierships to Collingwood was known as the Machine Team. They earned this nickname through their ability to eliminate mistakes and therefore play like a machine. The Collingwood Football Club website has a summary of each winning Magpie grand final team. Visit this link to read up on each premiership team:

<http://www.collingwoodfc.com.au/premiership%20history/tabid/8158/default.aspx>

Now you are an expert on each Collingwood premiership team, make up a nickname for each premiership team.

2010 Premierships: Mighty Pies bury Saints _____

1990 Premiership: The drought breaks _____

1958 Premiership: Magpies defend proud record _____

1953 Premiership: Cats cut to size _____

1936 Premiership: The match of the century _____

1935 Premiership: Fortune favours the Magpies _____

1930 Premiership: What a record! _____

1929 Premiership: Magpies sing a treble note _____

1928 Premiership: Back to Back Magpies (again) _____

1927 Premiership: The Magpies draw clear _____

1919 Premiership: Attacking Play Rewards Magpies _____

1917 Premiership: War-time Premiers _____

1910 Premiership: Magpies fly home _____

1903 Premiership: Back to Back Magpies _____

1902 Premiership: The first year of the Magpie _____



Four in a Row

Collingwood's amazing feat of four premierships in a row may never be beaten. It stands as a remarkable record in the history of the VFL/AFL. Can you match the sports people and teams with the amazing consecutive records they achieved?

Team	Song Line
Rod Laver	3 consecutive Melbourne Cups
Boston Celtics	Won 76 consecutive long-distance running events
Emil Zatopek	56 game hit streak
Carl Lewis	7 consecutive gold medals
Makybe Diva	75 consecutive long jump victories
Joe Dimaggio	Twice won the Grand Slam (the 4 major tournaments in one year)
USA Basketball Team	555 consecutive squash victories
Jahangir Khan	8 consecutive NBA titles

Answers: Rod Laver-won the grand slam twice, Boston Celtics-8 NBA titles, Emil Zatopek-76 long distance running events, Carl Lewis-7 5 long jump victories, Makybe Diva-3 Melbourne Cups, Joe Dimaggio-56 game hit streak, USA basketball team-7 gold medals, Jahangir Khan-555 squash victories.



No Footballs?

Jock McHale and his committee used some unique training techniques. On the night Tom attended training, the team was training without footballs! McHale's goal was to 'freshen' up the players and make them hungry for the footy. Can you complete the following tasks without the named equipment?

Draw a straight line without using a ruler.

**Write your name without opening
your eyes.**

Write a sentence without using the letter 'e'.

Cut out this rectangle without using scissors.