

Deadly Vibe FOOTY ROUND-UP

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THREE'S A CHARM

One of the major stories of the NRL season thus far has been the emergence of Milton Thaiday as one of the most potent attacking players in the game. The Knights have started off the season in scintillating form, thanks largely to the play of Milton, who has gotten off to a blinding start, becoming the first Newcastle player ever to win three consecutive Player's Player awards.

ACTIVITY 1:

Look at the four headings on the left hand side of this page.

List them below.

WIZ HITS 200

It was 12 seasons ago when a teenaged Jeff Farmer earned himself the nickname of 'The Wiz' while playing with the Melbourne Demons. Since then Jeff has established himself as one of the most exciting players to grace the AFL, finding a home at the Fremantle Dockers. In round one of the 2006 season, Jeff reached a memorable milestone, playing in his 200th AFL game, joining a very special club of Indigenous players to reach the 200 mark, including Michael Long, Gavin Wanganeen, Daryl White, Peter Matera, Nicky Winmar, Chris Johnson, Andrew McLeod and Chris Lewis.

1. B _____ M _____

2. T _____ ' ____ a C _____

3. W _____ H _____ 200

4. M _____ of H _____

Medal of Honour

Last season, Cowboys half Jonathan Thurston was among the league's best performing players, and was a deserving winner of the Dally M award. In 2006, Jonathan has picked up right where he left off, playing out of his skin and helping the Cowboys to their best-ever start to a season, as well as leading the Dally M point scoring in the early rounds.



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ACTIVITY 2:

READING FOR MEANING

Are these statements true or false? Circle the correct answer.

- This report is about Preston Campbell's football skills in round two of the competition.

T F

- The game was between the Panthers and Melbourne Storm.

T F

- Campbell dropped the ball onto his left foot.

T F

- In what order did these things happen?

Write the number from 1 to 3 in each box to show the order.

- Preston Campbell kicked a field goal.
- The game went into extra time.
- Panthers won the game against the Dragons.



ACTIVITY 3:

WRITE AN ACROSTIC POEM

“My Favourite Rugby Player”

Acrostics use the letters of the poem’s title (its subject) to begin each line.

Eg: **JON**

Just the best
On the ball
Never misses an opportunity

My Favourite Rugby Player is:

Now write an acrostic poem using your favourite players name.

My acrostic:





ACTIVITY 4:

WORD SKILLS

Look at the photo of Preston Campbell on page 22.

Next to it is the Panthers' logo.

How many words can you make from PANTHERS?

Words starting with P

Words starting with A

Words starting with N

Words starting with T

Words starting with H

Words starting with E

Words starting with R

Words starting with S

JUST FOR FUN!

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