



"And then there was 4!"

This Saturday sees the 2nd Semi-Final played at Bellerive Oval against the Burnie Dockers. We first met in round 6 this year at KGV in a wonderful contest that saw the "Dockers" run out winners by 2 points.

Plenty of water has gone under the bridge since we last played and this Saturday promises to be everything that you would expect from a 2nd Semi-Final. Exciting match ups, plenty of talented youngsters and the cool old heads going about their business.



Both sides have only met twice in statewide finals, Burnie back then were known as the "Hawks" – both results were in Glenorchy's favour (1988 Preliminary Final / 1993 Elimination Final)



FINALS RESULTS

RESERVES ELIMINATION FINAL

Glenorchy	9.13	67
North Hobart	4.7	31

Goal-Kickers – Dale Ayres 2, Matthew Rainbird 2, Jonathon Smith 1, Ben Malarski 1, Ashton Arnold 1, Sam Hills 1, Justin Brown 1

Best Players – Zac Webb, Matthew Dilger, Sean Browning, Ryan Keeley, Kyle Smith, Jason Chandler

UNDER 19'S ELIMINATION FINAL

Launceston	7.7	49
Glenorchy	2.4	16

Goal-Kickers – Sam Woods 1, Luke Potter 1

Best Players – Scott Jones, Sam Woods, Tim Gibbons, Sam Medhurst, Sam Volker, Craig Phillips

UNDER 17'S PRELIMINARY FINAL

Lauderdale	10.12	72
Glenorchy	5.6	36

Goal-Kickers – Jesse Wallner 3, Luke Percey 1, Daniel Joseph 1

Best Players – Jess Wallner, Michael Badcock, Daniel Robottom, Shane Curtis, Christopher Wise, Jack Boon



"BLAST FROM THE PAST" - ROBERT GROENEWEGEN

Robert Groenewegen was appointed Playing Coach of Glenorchy in 1988. "Wagon" played 79 Senior Games with Footscray (VFL) between 1978-1986. After a slow start to the season the "Pies" rocketed into 2nd position on the ladder and eventually played off in the Grand Final losing the flag to the Devonport Blues. Sadly after one season Robert moved back to Melbourne and then eventually moved back to Tasmania playing football with North Launceston and playing in their 1995 Premiership Team.

JW – What are your thoughts on the new Tasmanian State League?

RG – I think the closeness of the competition has been a real feature. Media coverage around the State has been excellent and I think there is growing interest. I doubt we will ever get back to having huge crowds but I do think it will continue to grow. Personally I am very pleased to have a state wide league back and have the rivalries of the traditional teams re-ignited.

JW – Do you have any involvement with football these days?

RG – I have a match day role with Launceston Football Club and I was wrapped to do some work with the talls in the recent State Game against Queensland

JW - What are some of your memories from your time at KGV

RG – My fondest memory is off the closeness of the team and the great spirit in the club. I only spent a year with the Pies but it remains one of my most enjoyable times in football.

JW – How did you come to end up back in Melbourne?

RG – It was a combination of factors but the bottom line was that once my eldest daughter was born I had to finish my Town Planning Degree and get a real job.

JW – When you came back to Tasmania - how did you end up at North Launceston?

RG – I almost came back to GDFC but NLFC gave me the option of being a fly in player. After flying in to play for a year I got a job as a Town Planner with the Launceston City Council and we decided then to move back to Tasmania.

JW – Who will win this year's Premiership?

RG - I'm hoping it's the Bulldogs time. We have some good form coming into the finals but don't write off the Saints or the Cats yet though.

JW – I actually meant State-wide not AFL! – however I am guessing that now "Wagon" doesn't have a team (Launceston or North Launceston) playing finals – he would be on the KG5 machine.





Games this weekend...

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GLENORCHY v BURNIE @ BELLERIVE OVAL – SATURDAY – 2.10PM

RESERVES



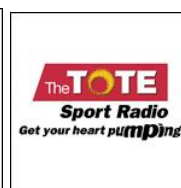
GLENORCHY v BURNIE @ AURORA STADIUM – SUNDAY – 12 NOON

UNDER 19'S



GLENORCHY v CLARENCE @ TCA OVAL – SUNDAY – 12 NOON

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