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# Mayne Tigers Monthly Meeting

Our regular monthly meeting is held on the second Wednesday of the Month.
All Members are welcome to attend.

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## **Tigers secure 2025 Grand Final Berth**



Zac Puncken gets the Tigers into attack against the Springwood Pumas yesterday at the Den in the Qualifying Semi Final.

The Tigers hosted the Springwood Pumas at the Den yesterday in the Hart Sport QFA Division 1 Qualifying Final with the winner to go into the Grand Final.

The Tigers have now played the Pumas on five occasions this year including a practice match and as most recently as last week in the final round of the home and away season so the two clubs are very familiar with each other.

It was unfortunately another game where the weather would play some part. It has been a very wet winter with many games affected but yesterday it was the late Ekka

winds that arrived just for Saturday football. It was a blustery day with some gusts reaching 60km/hr.

The Tigers have beaten the Pumas on every occasion this year by a significant margin but this was the first time that the visitors were able to field their strongest team. The Pumas are a proud group who have many talented players who can change a game so the Tigers were not going to take them lightly despite the record this year.

The game got underway with the winds peaking but not really favouring either end as it blasted across the ground and swirled around. It was five minor scores shared between the two teams before the Tigers Ryan Doolan kicked the first goal to get the game properly under way. Zac McLean was into the action shortly after with a clever goal before the midfield duo of Louis Quin and Zac Puncken each kicked the Tigers to a handy quarter time lead. Quin roved a stoppage to perfection and cut a swathe through the Pumas defence to kick an excellent goal while Puncken kicked a booming punt from outside the fifty.

The Tigers were well pleased with their start but with the Pumas ball winners Jai Keneally and Rowan Page getting busy the game was still up for grabs.

The game settled into a back and forth affair in the second term with the Pumas able to defend grimly as the Tigers

Next Fixtures				
Team	Opposition	Where	When	Time
Womens				
Thirds				
Reserves				
Seniors	Pending	Hickey Park	Sat, 13th Sept 2025	2.00pm

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Duncan McCabe sets up the Tigers attack against the Springwood Pumas yesterday in the Qualifying Semi Final at the Den.



Hayden Fry gets his attacking handball away for the Tigers against the Springwood Pumas yesterday at the Den.



Zac Quin gives his Springwood Pumas opponent the run around for the Tigers at the Den yesterday.

pushed forward with Jamie Ivers and Tex Korewha creating opportunities for their followers. Duncan McCabe continued his stellar debut season form in the middle as he accumulated possessions at will to be a real problem for the Pumas.

Nick Galvin has been an unsung revelation for the Tigers as a mid sized forward who creates plenty of opportunities for his more fancied team mates. He set the Tigers alight in the second term with a handy goal while helping Zac Quin and Zac McLean to kick the scoreboard along.

The Pumas veteran journeyman Dylan Reid was keeping them in the game with some strong marking and kicking for goal to finish with four for the day in a fair effort considering the pressure he was under from the Tigers. As usual it was a team

effort in the men's department with Noah Breen, Hayden Fry and Aidan Williams creating plenty of rebound while James Stolz was poised as usual. Kyle Henry was strong in the air in the last line while he used his powerful kick to advantage when the wind complied.

The Tigers had accumulated a seven goal advantage at the main break to have the Pumas once again on the back foot, however they came out firing in the third term to kick the first two before the Tigers regained control.

Tex Korewha was very effective up front as a tall target kicking three goals but also bullocking his way through packs to be creative for the dangerous trio of McLean, Doolan and Quin.

The Tigers ran out the game kicking six goals in the last term to go into the 2025 Grand Final and a chance to go back to back. They will wait the winner of Springwood and the UQ Red Lions who just got over a determined Hinterland in the Elimination Final.

Scores: Mayne 15.14.104 d Springwood 6.7.43 Goals: Zac Quin 4, Tex Korewha 3, Z McLean, R Doolan 2, Z Puncken, Nick Galvin, Louis Quin, Duncan McCabe 1.

Best: Zac Puncken, Duncan McCabe, Tex Korewha, Aidan Williams, Noah Breen, Hayden Fry.

#### Ressies



Cooper Westerhuis shows the way with support from Xavier Craven for the Tigers against the Caloundra Panthers at UQ yesterday.

was under from the Tigers. As usual it was a team

Tex Korewha flies high for the Tigers in the Qualifying Semi Final against the Springwood Pumas at the Den.



Zac McLean flies high above his Springwood Pumas opponent yesterday at the Den.

The Reserves took on the Caloundra Panthers in the Elimination Final at the University of Queensland after a season of close encounters between the two clubs.

The Tigers were very pleased to make the finals after a very difficult season with numbers under constant stress every week but it was pleasing to be able to field one of their strongest teams for this challenge.

The Panthers were excited to make the finals with their senior team missing out this year so they arrived by bus with plenty of vocal support. The Tigers however were split between the Den and this game so the support was limited to the true Tiger believers who were just as passionate if not as vocal.

The wind was blowing at gale force at times to set (Continued on page 3)



# Shaw Family for their Sponsorship of Gus Shaw and Zac Puncken in 2025 The Shaw Family are an integral part of the

The Mayne Tigers thanks the



Mayne Community and have been since their sons Seb and Gus started at Mayne Juniors in Auskick. Cam and Julie have both held Executive positions for the Tigers with Cam being the current President of the Senior club.

Gus is a Premiership Captain in the Reserves and a multiple Premiership player.

A former Everton Junior, Zac is a Premiership player in the Seniors and Reserves.



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Key Dates 13/9/2025 20/9/2025

Grand Final Day QFA Div 1
Presentation Night



Josh Geurtz weaves his way out of traffic for the Tigers against the Caloundra Panthers yesterday at UQ.

the scene for a difficult game with it favouring one end. The Panthers went with the wind in the first term getting off to a quick start with the first goal before the Tigers responded with two important goals from Alex Craigie and Corey Massingham against the wind. The Panthers responded to go to the first break with a one goal advantage for the



Xavier Craven gets the Tigers out of their defensive area against the Caloundra Panthers at UQ yesterday.

term.

The Tigers kicked with the wind in the second term taking advantage straight away with a goal to Cooper Westerhuis who with Josh Geurtz were giving the Tigers plenty of drive.

The Tigers kicked another three in a row led by another Westerhuis gem and followed up by Xavier Craven and Dom Bandara.

It looked like the Tigers were on their way but lost



Andy Tydink takes a safe mark in defence for the Tigers against the Caloundra Panthers yesterday at

momentum in the second half of the term by over using the ball which saw the Panthers intercept and kick two important goals to get themselves back in the game.

The second half was an enthralling arm wrestle which has been the manner these two clubs have played all the season.

The game was tied up at 48 apiece for the second half of the last term to the point that it looked certain to go into extra time, however in the last moment the Panthers forced a rushed behind to win by the narrowest of margins and end the Tigers season.

The Tigers were very well served by Andy Tydink in defence while Sam Craigie worked desperately all day to be in the best group.

Scores: Caloundra 7.7.49 d Mayne 7.6.48 Goals: Cooper Westerhuis 2, Xavier Craven, Josh Guerts, Dom Bandara, Alex Craigie, Corey Massingham 1.

Best: Cooper Westerhuis, Josh Geurtz, Xavier Craven, Andy Tydink, Sam Craigie.

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2025 Presentation Night Bookings Open Now



The final and most important function for the Tiger year where the club comes together to recognise and honour our best players of the 2025 season in a gala night.

The club also recognises it's loyal and hard working volunteers as well as reward their milestone players.

Make sure you get in early and book your seat.

When: Saturday, 20th September 2025



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Time: 6.00pm for 6.30pm start
Where: Tattersalls, Queen Street, Brisbane.
Cost: \$130 PP includes 2 course meal and

3 hour drinks package

Bookings: https://www.stickytickets.com.au/DGG2K

#### **Leading Goal Kickers**



Ryan Doolan, Zac McLean and Zac Quin with the 2024 Premiership Cup following the Grand Final in 2024.

Congratulations to Ryan Doolan on winning the leading goal kicking award for the Hart Sport QFA Division 1 competition with 67 goals to the end of the Home and Away season.

He kicked two more yesterday and will hopefully add more to that total in the Grand Final.

Zac Quin was the Leading Goal Kicker for competition in 2024.

The Tigers three forwards have once again dominated the competition with Zac Quin finishing on 57 goals in second place while Zac Mclean kicked a very impressive 48 while he also played several games in the ruck. Zac McLean finished the Home and Away season with two bags of five to be in fourth position in the league.

The three young men were critical to the Premiership success of the Tigers in 2024 and obviously will be again this year.

#### **Everton Award**

Every year the Everton District Sporting Club Senior Player Award is presented to an emerging local player. It is essentially a Rising Star Award for a local junior which has been awarded since 2005 when the Tigers first moved to the Mott Street Den to share facilities with the Wolves.

The winners of this award reads like a who's who of success stories at the Tigers and beyond. Check out these winners.

2005 Simon Argent (Mayne)
2006 Mark Dennis (Mayne JAFC)
2007 Glen Housego (Mayne JAFC)
2008 Tom Falconer (Mayne JAFC) \*
2009 Aaron Whitecross (Kedron JAFC)
2010 Taylor Murtha (Mayne JAFC) \*
2011 Bill Stephens (Mayne JAFC) \*
2012 Chris Paterson (Ferny Grove JAFC) \*
2013 Henry Leong (Everton JAFC) \*
2014 Zac McLean (Everton JAFC) \*

2015 Jasper Craven (Everton JAFC) \*
2016 Josh Harvey (Mayne JAFC) \*
2017 Daniel Schmidt (Everton JAFC) \*
2018 Nick Holleran (Mayne JAFC) \*
2019 Zac Quin (Mayne JAFC) \*
2020 Tom Eccleston (Mayne JAFC) \*
2021 Louis Quin (Mayne JAFC) \*
2022 Ryan Doolan (Everton JAFC) \*
2023 Callum Ferguson (Coorparoo JAFC) \*
2024 Digby Morison (Mayne JAFC) \*
\* Denotes Premiership Player.

This is a very prestigious award for the Senior Club. It also evidences how important the relationship with the Mayne and Everton Junior club has been over this period with such quality juniors making their way to the Mayne Seniors.



Former Mayne Junior Digby Morison was the winner of the Everton Award in 2024.

Thirty five of the forty four players in the 2024 Seniors and Reserves premiership teams were local juniors with twenty eight of them from Mayne and Everton Juniors.

Who will be the Everton Award winner at the Annual Presentation Night in 2025?

#### **Junior Grand Finals**

Congratulations to the Everton/Ferny Grove combined Under 17 Team on winning their Grand Final over the Kenmore Bears who had been undefeated all season.

The Everton/Ferny boys had to win the game in extra time making for a nailbiting and exciting final finish.



It is hoped that a good number of these boys will be Tigers in 2026.

The Everton/Ferny Grove Under 15's combined side lost their Grand Final to Wilston Grange by one point.

The Mayne Girls Under 15's play Wests Juniors this afternoon at Yeronga in their Grand Final.

#### Volunteer of the Week



Reserves Coaching Group L-R Danny Evans, Shane Fry and Seb Shaw.

Coaching the Reserve Grade is never an easy task with all the variables that can affect your group week to week. It is not just the players in your team but it is the primary reason that you exist which can make it the most challenging. Senior team requirements, selections and changes can impact all your planning and sometimes at the last minute.

We thank our Reserve Grade mentors Danny Evans, Shane Fry and Seb Shaw for their great work this year taking the team to the finals for the twelfth successive season in a remarkable effort. Danny was a playing Coach as well.

A big thanks to everyone who helped the reserves yesterday included managers Marc Craigie and John Laing. A huge thanks to all our helpers back at the Den putting on a great spectacle.

A big thanks to UQ for hosting the final at their ground and for managing the match day roles which the Tigers reciprocated for them at the Den with the UQ Red Lions playing the Pumas in the qualifying final in the Reserve Grade.

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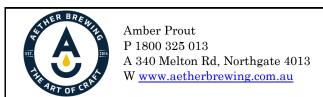
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