

Pennant Stats Tell Truth

Of late I am approached by clubs and coaches to advise and assist them during pennant season here in Australia.

Most times the representatives who meet me have an inkling of what is necessary for their players to improve. However, when I ask specifically how good the players are, none know. That's because they cringe at the thought of measuring pennant performance. So the expectation from all far exceeds the reality, as limited as the data is on the performances.

In recent years a few diligent clubs have amassed statistics and know what level is necessary to maintain or improve. This year I had a handful of players keep statistics in games and this table below shows their performance from premier league down to Division 5.

Surely these are the players who in the long term will go further, why? Because they have the motivation and discipline to gauge where they are at and where they can get to using the statistics as a tool to display their progress. Well done those players.

Pennant season 2016

FOURS TEAM RINK % Stats standards (number bowls from total 42)

	Lead	2nd	3rd	Skip
ML Std accepted % premier league	50 (21)	50 (21)	45 (19)	45 (19)
ML Std accepted % Div.1.club & objective	40 (17)	40 (17)	33 (14)	33 (14)
ML Std accepted % Div.2.club & objective	36 (15)	36 (15)	30 (12)	30 (12)
ML Std accepted % Div.3.club & objective	33 (14)	33 (14)	26 (11)	26 (11)
ML Std with first bowl - personal objective	12/21	same	same	same
ML Std with ends contributed target	14/21	same	same	same

No previous experience recording at Division 5 from any source, so unable to have set objectives.

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Club pennant in Victoria, 2016**

Performance for season 42 deliveries / 21 ends	Premier league record	Division 1 record	Division 3 record	Division 5 record
No. games played	20	4	10	2
ML/ effective deliveries %				
Expected ave.	50	40	33	TBA
Actual ave.	51	28	36	30.5
No. games met expected	15	1	7	-
pb	63	40	45	38
No. times first bowl ML/effective				
Target	12	12	12	TBA
No. games met target	2	0	0	-
Actual ave.	8	6.5	6	3
pb	12	10	9	4
No. ends with ML/effective				
Target	14	14	14	TBA
No. games met target	19	0	3	-
Actual ave.	16	9.5	12	11.5
pb	21	13	16	15

Observations: Lachlan Tighe, 2017