



2026 MARSH AFL NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT CHAMPIONSHIPS - U16 BOYS ALL AUSTRALIAN TEAM

Back Pocket: Oliver Sheridan

Sydney Swans Academy/Cronulla

Date of Birth: 01/01/2010; Height: 179cm

Small defender who reads the game exceptionally well with clean hands and neat disposal, Sheridan was prolific in winning the ball and setting up play for his team throughout the Championships. He averaged 29 disposals at 74.7% efficiency, 2.7 tackles and 7 rebound 50s to be among his team's best players in all three matches.

Player ranking points: 141 points (average per game)

Full Back: Darcy Pearson

Brisbane Lions Academy/Redland-Victoria Point

Date of Birth: 29/01/2010; Height: 185cm

Defender who intercepts well, is strong overhead as well as using the ball with precise, Pearson was the Lions best player against both the Gold Coast Suns and the Northern Territory winning the Lions MVP award. He averaged 18.7 disposals (6.3 contested) with 6 marks and 6 rebound 50s looking very composed throughout the Championships.

Player ranking points: 100 points

Back Pocket: Samuel Brown

GWS Giants Academy/Bendigo Pioneers/Swan Hill

Date of Birth: 04/01/2010; Height: 189cm

Rangy defender who played on taller and smaller opponents making great decisions on whether to mark or spoil, Brown also set up play with his decision making and precise ball use throughout the Championships. He averaged 14 disposals at an elite 78.6 % efficiency with 4.3 rebound 50s being composed throughout for the Giants.

Player ranking points: 85 points

Half Back Flank: Jordan Stevenson

Tasmania/North Hobart

Date of Birth: 18/05/2010; Height: 185cm

Medium defender with very good fundamental skills with his ball use and clean hands, Stevenson impressed in all three games winning Tasmania's MVP award. He averaged 22 disposals (6 contested) at 72.7% efficiency with 4.7 marks and 4.3 tackles, providing great rebound for his team throughout the Championships.

Player ranking points: 118 points

Centre Half Back: Eamon Hyde

Victoria Country/Murray Bushrangers/Cobram

Date of Birth 21/02/2010; Height: 190cm

Tall defender with supreme aerial ability and a very good decision maker, Hyde also kicked the

ball with precision from the back half setting up his team throughout the Championships. Captained Victoria Country and won best on ground honours against Victoria Metro in game one and overall averaged 15 disposals (6.7 contested) 6 marks and 4.7 rebound 50s to win his team's MVP award and finish equal 3rd in the Best and Fairest Award in Pool A.

Player ranking points: 109 points

Half Back Flank: Fletcher Vincent

Gold Coast Suns Academy/Broadbeach

Date of Birth: 30/08/2010; Height: 187cm

Left footed medium defender who kicked with depth and precision, Vincent showed good composure and athleticism capable of manning up on a range of different types of opponents. Averaged 14.7 disposals at 79.5% efficiency with 2.7 marks and 7 rebound 50s.

Player ranking points: 108 points

Wing: Zane Rooney

South Australia/Glenelg/Lockleys

Date of Birth: 07/01/2010; Height: 186cm

Tough and powerful midfielder/defender, Rooney is both strong in the air and excels in one-on-one contests. Very athletic type he captained South Australia setting a fine example for his team averaging 18.3 disposals (10 contested) with 4.3 tackles moving between the midfielder and defence being a consistent performer across the three matches.

Player ranking points: 113 points

Centre: Logan Treverton

South Australia/Central District/Tea Tree Gully

Date of Birth: 23/10/2010; Height: 183cm

Medium midfielder with quick hands and great vision, Treverton was a stoppage star using his body positioning and footy nous to win the ball consistently at stoppages. A ball magnet with a lethal left foot, he averaged 24.3 disposals (12.3 contested) to win South Australia's MVP award and finish equal 3rd in the Pool A Best and Fairest Award.

Player ranking points: 133 points

Wing: Noah Keam

Sydney Swans Academy/Manly Bombers/Balgowlah Suns

Date of Birth: 02/01/2010; Height: 182cm

Prolific ball winning midfielder who covers the ground extremely well, Keam's elite work rate and impressive fundamental skills were on display throughout the Championships. He averaged 29.7 disposals (9 contested) with 4.3 clearances and 3.7 tackles playing on the inside and outside as well as well as pushing forward and averaging a goal a game to win the Swans Academy's MVP award.

Player ranking points: 149 points

Ruck: Cooper Jolly

South Australia/North Adelaide/Glenunga

Date of Birth: 16/08/2010; Height: 196cm

Developing ruckman who is very aggressive in the contest and already showing fine ruck craft, Jolly showed a real presence around the stoppages following up his aerial work at ground level. Averaged 17.3 hit outs along with 9.7 disposals and 2 marks being an important part of South Australia's midfield group with plenty of upside still to come.

Player ranking points: 86 points

Ruck Rover: Troy Warner

Western Australia/East Fremantle/Willetton

Date of Birth: 18/03/2010; Height: 179cm

Midfielder who is both quick and agile with the appetite to compete, Warner had an outstanding championship averaging 24.7 disposals (9.3 contested) at 73% efficiency with 4.7 marks and 2.7 tackles. Also a good decision maker and user of the footy, he not only won Western Australia's MVP award but also won the Pool A Best and Fairest Award and was given the honour of being selected as captain of the All Australian under 16s team. Brother of Chad and Corey at the Sydney Swans.

Player ranking points: 153 points

Rover: James Rice

GWS Giants Academy/Tuggeranong Valley

Date of Birth: 12/01/2010; Height: 180cm

A hard-edged midfielder who is very athletic, Rice was outstanding in all three matches averaging 28.3 disposals (9.3 contested) with 5 clearances and 6 tackles. Runs both ways to outnumber the opposition and provides tackling pressure when opposition win the ball, he was rewarded for his consistent impressive form being awarded the Best and Fairest Medal for Pool B.

Player ranking points: 155 points

Half Forward Flank: Daniel May

Victoria Country/Geelong Falcons/St Marys

Date of Birth: 06/11/2010; Height: 187cm

Medium midfielder who played across all three zone, May is strong and courageous aurally and an excellent decision maker with ball in hand. Used the ball well by hand and foot averaging 17.7 disposals at 68% efficiency with 6 marks, 3.7 clearances and 6.3 tackles a clear indication of his genuine competitive streak.

Player ranking points: 111 points

Centre Half Forward: Jack Holland

Western Australia/East Fremantle/Willetton

Date of Birth: 08/01/2010; Height: 190cm

A strong marking tall forward with a vice like grip, Holland presented well as the target man up forward using his athletic talent to get separation from his opponents. He averaged 5.3 marks including 1.3 contested together with an average 10.7 disposals and kicking 4 goals. Capped off an impressive championship being captain of their Pool A winning team.

Player ranking points: 96 points

Half Forward Flank: Jayke Taylor

Western Australia/East Fremantle/Piara Waters

Date of Birth 26/02/2010; Height: 186cm

Mercurial forward with great ability to read the ball inside 50 being always first to move, Taylor averaged a championship high 10 marks a game (2.3 contested) along with 1.7 goals from his average 16.3 disposals. A extremely mobile type with the appetite to kick goals his only blemish was his inaccuracy kicking 5 goals 9 behinds over the three games but still had an outstanding championship finishing runner up in the Pool A best and Fairest Award.

Player ranking points: 121 points

Forward Pocket: Chase Whelan

Victoria Country/Sandringham Dragons/Laharum

Date of Birth: 06/01/2010; Height: 192cm

Athletic tall forward who uses his well-timed leads and strong hands to provide an impressive target up forward, Whelan starred for Victoria Country against both Victoria Metro and South Australia averaging 7.5 marks from his 15.5 disposals kicking a total of 6 goals before being injured very earlier against Western Australia cutting short an ultra-impressive championship. Player ranking points: 127 points (first two games)

Full Forward: Callum Samuelson

Gold Coast Suns Academy/Palm Beach Currumbin

Date of Birth: 27/07/2010; Height: 198cm

Ultra impressive tall forward/ruckman who showcased his natural leap and strong hands with several pack marks, Samuelson starred against the Sydney Swans taking 7 marks (4 contested) from his 12 disposals as well as kicking a goal. Also kicked 3 goals in the first-round match against the Brisbane Lions Academy and overall averaging 8 disposals ,3.7 marks and 5 hit outs for the championship.

Player ranking points: 89 points

Forward Pocket: Campbell Barwick

Tasmania/Glenorchy

Date of Birth: 19/03/2010; Height: 182cm

Super quick forward/midfielder who gets separation with his acceleration, Barwick has clean hands and attacks the ball with real purpose. Outstanding in the first match against the Northern Territory, he averaged 21 disposals (9.7 contested) as well as 5.3 clearances across the Championships.

Player ranking points: 88 points

Interchange: Louis Grinter

Victoria Metro/Oakleigh Chargers/Ashburton

Date of Birth 04/12/2010; Height: 187cm

Versatile medium defender who can play in all three zones, Grinter uses the ball well by hand and foot and was very consistent being in Victoria Metro's best players against both Western Australia and South Australia winning his team's MVP award. He averaged 17.7 disposals (7 contested) at 66% efficiency and looks to have plenty of upside with his competitiveness and flexibility. Grand son of former Melbourne star Rod Grinter who played 134 games with the Demons in the 80s and 90s.

Player ranking points: 83 points

Interchange: Alex Maher

GWS Giants Academy/Eastlake

Date of Birth: 16/05/2010; Height: 177cm

Tough and courageous inside midfielder, Maher was a stoppage star in the Championships using his natural footy smarts and clean hands to win the ball consistently in contests averaging 28.7 disposals (14 contested) at an elite 76% efficiency with 5.7 clearances and 3.3 tackles. Topped off his championship winning the GWS Giants MVP award as well as finishing 2nd in the Best and fairest Award for Pool B with the Giants winning the Cup in that Pool.

Player ranking points: 157 points

Interchange: Aiden Martignago

Western Australia/East Fremantle/Willeton

Date of Birth: 06/05/2010; Height: 175cm

Small midfielder who is a very in and under type who plays with great energy and zest, Martignago was a stoppage star using particularly his clean hands and vision to set up the play. Averaging 22.3 disposals (12 contested) at 77.6% efficiency 6 clearances and 4 tackles, he was dominant with a best on ground performance against Victoria Metro becoming an important part of the midfield in the championship winning Western Australian team.
Player ranking points: 132 points

Interchange: Hugo Timms

Northern Territory/Oakleigh Chargers/PINT

Date of Birth: 17/12/2009; Height 196cm

Tall forward who is extremely mobile and strong aerially, Timms had a real physical presence when forward and in the ruck, averaging 17.7 disposals, 4 marks and 5.7 hit outs to be a consistent good performer for his team throughout the Championships. Also hit the scoreboard kicking an average of 2.3 goals and given he is a late birth turning 17 years in December this year he still has plenty of upside and will also benefit from games with the Allies in the Under 18s Championships this year.
Player ranking points: 131 points

Interchange: Jacob Westley

South Australia/Sturt/Kersbrook

Date of Birth: 26/02/2010; Height: 179cm

Small midfielder/defender with excellent skills both sides of his body, Westley is a fine decision maker and very creative in setting up the play. Rotating between midfield and defence, he is a real resilient type who was among his team's best players in all three matches averaging 22.3 disposals (7.7 contested) at 73% efficiency with 3.7 clearances finishing equal 3rd in the Pool A best and Fairest award.
Player ranking points: 106 points

Coach: Michael Glassborow

Western Australia

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