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CONGRATULATIONS ON 100 GAMES

On the eve of the 2010 season opener in what will be his 8th campaign for the mighty UFC, Gareth Moir managed yet again to twist the rubber-arm of A grade squad member Dusty Brade towards the OBH Front Bar for a pint & a chat.

▪ **What does playing 100 games for the UFC mean to you?**

It's an amazing honour. You look up at the board and considering how many years the club has been around for there aren't many names up there. So to become one of them gives me a real sense of satisfaction. It's been a real pleasure to have been able to commit 8 years of service to the club that has given me so many good memories and lifelong friends. Not only to myself but to my family as well.

▪ **Who are the coaches you have had in your time at the club and can you tell us a bit about each of them?**

Dave Lee and Laef Allen: I couldn't honestly think of two better coaches for a C Colts side. Dave provided the sly/cheeky wit while Laef just provided absolute entertainment and at times carnage. Both were 100% team focused and im glad I got to be associated in that team.

Justin Barten: Barts coached me a little in colts then again in ressiees and it's the ressiees I remember most. It was 2005 and we got knocked out in the preliminary final by less than a goal with a dubious umpiring decision late in the final term. Personally one of my best years down at the club and I credit Barts with bringing that out in me.

Josh Hughes: Rivaling Laef for the funniest coach I've ever had, chopper came up with some of the best 3qtr time speeches I've ever heard. Definitely not a Ron Barassi but bloody affective. We made the finals in colts that year, 2004, which was a great effort for the side we had. I have to mention what a great mentor Ben Swan was that year too....."Ey Mate"

Howard Styles: Got along really well with Howdy and again I credit my form to his way of coaching. Was always full of constructive criticism and a great bloke to have around the club.

Ian Rakich: Put in two years at the club and had to contend with a lot of expectation from our performances. Was always a positive person to have around and did some great things behind the scenes for the club as a whole.

Tom Matson: TBC.....

▪ **Can you give us a few of your highlights both on and off the field since being at the club?**

Highlights on the field would be the 2005 finals campaign. Won a couple of tight games and only just missed out on the grand final. Also the old boys day two years ago when we turned the tables on Wembley at home.

Off the field would have to be every UFC social event since the O Day extravaganza we held at the AJ a couple of years ago. Every event has been a corker and looking forward to the next few coming up.

- **Why did you come to the Great UFC?**
Gaz Moir was down here dominating the scene and was going to St Georges at the time also so it was just 'the thing to do'
- **Success rate at the AJ?**
Never had too much success actually at the AJ however I can recommend working behind the bar for awhile during big events. Have witnessed some action in the change rooms during an event though thanks to a mate of mine 'Rowdy'.
- **Greatest player you have seen to pull on the UFC Jumper?**
Matty O'Hara for his sheer ball gathering ability and poise however in terms of turning a game probably Kane Loxley.
- **Greatest UFC team you have been involved with?**
2005 Reserves team. The whole team was just a great bunch of blokes and without any real superstars in the team we nearly made the Grand final in similar competition to what is going around today.
- **Greatest Victory you have been involved in?**
Two years ago when we beat Wembley on an old boys day to regain the Skinny Maskiell trophy. Was just a tough game all day and we managed to overpower/run them in the end.
- **Most Memorable Players you have played with?**
Probably Simon Stewart and Sam Alexeeff because they've been there with me from the start so as well as playing 7 years of footy together we've been to all the social events and seen many different people come and go.
- **Who do you sit next to on the bus trips both there and back?**
I try not sit next to anyone on the way there coz the last thing I feel like doing is talking to anyone or being cramped up on a small seat. On the way back I don't have any real preference. As long as the stones is being passed around and the Ra-ta-ta's are being sung I'm pretty happy.
- **Who do you sit next to in the change rooms?**
Last year was James Warren which was fine before the game it was just after that I had to watch out for my cheekbone/personal property/livelihood.
This year I reckon a good replacement for Wazza will be Stantzy?
- **Favourite position both on and off the field?**
On: Rover/Forward Flank
Off: not fussy as long as im getting/going to get another Weiner brother
- **Favourite Movie, Song, Food, Beverage?**
Movie: Snatch, Transformers
Song: Little Secrets – Passion Pit, Broken Leg – Bluejuice

Food: Steak, Eggs and Chips. KFC
Beverage: Pure Blonde, Jager Bomb

▪ **Funniest situation on the field?**

Wasn't actually at UFC but at Uni games a couple of years ago. Paul 'Jesus' Galloway corralled some poor bloke from Melbourne Uni over the boundary line for a throw in. Both players ended up on the ground and before anyone realized what was going on Jesus was up and ready to contest the throw in while the Melbourne guy was trying to piece together his jaw. Shouldn't really laugh about that but it was more the attempted innocent smile on Jesus' face afterwards and the argument we got in later that night with the Melbourne coach when he was taking his team home in time with their 10 O'clock curfew.

▪ **Most Embarrassing moment?**

Getting the wrong ankle strapped. All the physios fault! Damn leggings....

▪ **Worst Injury?**

I broke my wrist a few years ago. Missed all year but two games.

▪ **What would you say are the strengths of your game?**

Booming 60m kick, Towering mark and Freakish possession gathering ability.

▪ **And the weaknesses?**

Not playing to my strengths

▪ **You have been capped several times @ Uni Games level, what do you put this longevity down to & can you give us some highlights?**

Longevity is put down to basic stupidity really. I went to four uni games campaigns, never played a game worth mentioning and spent about \$4000 outside of accommodation, registration and flights.

I could seriously be here all day talking about highlights from uni games so instead ill just show you a few photos. Doubt id be allowed to include the copious amounts of photos with nakedness in them.



- **You have been lucky enough to reside with some fellow UFC A-grade teammates, Simon “The Kid” Stewart & Daniel “Usain” Bolt. What can you tell us about each as housemates, team-mates & wingmen?**

Daniel “Usain” “Narkle” “Boltdog” Bolt: spent 3.5yrs living with him and was the best of wingmen for the first couple of years then settled down with his lovely girlfriend. Amazing talent on the field with an uncanny ability to find something out of nothing.

Simon “The Kid” “Blonde Guy” Stewart: only been living with Stewy for a couple of months but if his courageousness, strength and especially team ethic on the field is anything to go by the bar we’ve just setup is sure to provide some boozy nights.

- **Where do you see yourself in 5,10 and 20 years?**

5 Yrs: Playing footy for Uni after having travelled the world and married to Megan Fox.

10 Yrs: Retired from playing footy and divorced from Megan Fox because she didn’t get along with my Weiner brothers.

20 Yrs: hopefully still drinking beers with some of the UFC boys I’ve met over the years

- **Word Association. What do you think of when I say the following?**

Gareth Moir – Greatest Colt to Play at UFC

Triple P – Still don’t remember how that string of beads ended up in my back pocket at clubba a few years ago. My mate loved getting home to it tied from his bed head to his desk to his door

AJ - Michael ‘Fez’ Sippe clearing a path diagonally through the room and sliding on his guts all the way. Then washing the blood and glass of with wine....everyone should take a leaf out of his book.



Borden JFC – I won the fairest and best under ten in 1995. I only realised years later that my best mate (Tom Moir, of the same age) won the overall best and fairest but they just gave me the trophy to even things out.

Relationships - ??????????

2Dads - Number 71, Weiner brother.

John Brade - Carlton Mid/Swan Gold, Bloody good Dad/Mate.

Bus Trip - Stones, Ra-ta-ta's, peeing out windows

Sam Alexeeff – Wobbles,

Medal Count - pretty cruisy day for me really unless I have to proxy for someone.

Neil Donaldson & Mac - Club Stalwarts, Great Blokes

Golden Swan Chinese Restaurant - Hongkong Bundy, Stealing the Crabs out of the tanks on the way out

Greg Erskine – Ship off Shipwreck!! Ra-Ta-ta king. Current A Res Coach.

Keg Off - Mumfy finally says something. The birth of the Ashes, much to the demise of sammy's backyard

Txt Messages - always seem to get me into trouble

Matty O'Hara -



International Day - Matt Judd trying to put Gaz Moir's shoulder back in at the Claremont while he was dressed as a black south African farmer.

Jesus - Greatest of men. Takes a bloody good hang

Jolanta Star - Going great guns now that's it's shipped of its old trainer.

Thanks very much for your time Dusty. Congratulations again & all the Best for Season 2010. I look forward to monitoring your work-rate closely throughout!!!