

# Rob O'Mahony

## CONGRATULATIONS ON 100 GAMES

- **Robbie, a big congratulations on playing 100 games for the UFC this weekend. It's a fantastic achievement and a great milestone. Can you tell us what playing 100 games for the UFC means to you?**

Thanks a lot Nelson,

I have played at the UFC since 2003 and have played with a lot of quality blokes across many grades. The fact that I am mates with the majority of the club makes playing the 100 extra special.

- **What drew you down to the Great UFC from Claremont?**

I had many good mates from JTC playing at the UFC in the A and B Colts. A few of them I am lucky enough to have been able to play with again since playing with the Dingoes this season (Hup Caps, Tom Macca, Lawto). They told me how many legends there were at Uni so UFC quickly became my permit club.

After a few memorable games in the Green and Blue on permit from Claremont I decided to give up 400m interval running and have a lot more fun at Uni.

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

Brownie & Rob Lefroy - Undefeated premiership A colts coaches who shaped an unbeatable culture.

Justin Barts Barton (Acolts Ares) – Loved giving us a spray when we were slacking off. Every team he coached made the finals.

Chris Chips Massey (A grade) – A very experienced and knowledgeable coach. Very approachable and gave me first crack in A-Grade.

Howard Styles (A-grade & A-res) – Enjoyed the hard stuff and was extremely passionate. Made me a tagger.

Chris Foulkes (A-res) – Loved his little men, so he loved me.

Greg Erk-Dog Erskine (A res) – The great man kicked some freakish goals and could lead a quality fine session.

Digger Kyle feat Bully Unmack (Dingoes) – Continuing the dynasty.

Digger gives us a spray for not celebrating enough and is a foul-mouthed teacher. Bully kicks bags and trains when he feels like it.

- **Can you give us a few highlights you've shared with the lads both on and off the field since being at the club?**

On the field the 2003 Acolts undefeated premiership season & hopefully this weekend against Whitfords will be memorable.

Off the field any 1000 dollar draw day, 1<sup>st</sup> round show, or the infamous Pub Golf.

The 2004 A colts end of season trip to Quindalup was epic. I still can't believe Rob Olivier wore double denim.

PPP when Franko physically assaulted a stripper.

- **You're are man of many nicknames with Bobby, Dates, Boucla, Robbie Colts, Boucla Shade, Croc, Brush being just some that spring to mind immediately. Would you like shed some light on the origin of one or more of many nicknames?**

Bobby – Franko's name for me when we went on frequent Boucla coffee dates when he was made redundant. I had to spot him a flat white on more than one occasion

Dates – Leading up to the 2003 UFC ball all the boys made a pact to go single and not take a date. I rocked up with a date on the sly who ended up spewing in the cab on the way home. Wasn't worth it as I didn't convert.

Boucla – Used to frequent this Subiaco hotspot quite regularly with Adam Gilchrist, Steve Hooker and Matthew Franklyn

Robbie colts – Lawto thought it was pretty funny that he would call me this for playing colts at Claremont. Sweet gags Hotdogs.

Boucla Shade – Dj name

Croc – From the Western Suburbs Cricket Club One day B's cricket side (with some of the Dingoes). Apparently I catch a cricket ball like a large, cold blooded reptile.

Brush – After a big win in A-colts a few older blokes (Smarty & Matty Perrot) sponsored us after the game with about 4 blocks. They got us in a circle and we had to go around and say a name for the female anatomy. It got to me and I said "brush". The older guys lost their sh!t and made me neck 3 stubbies.

- **Rumour has you've been concussed as many times as you've pulled on the green and blue. Do you think they were the result of being targeted unfairly or were they all legit? Are there any stories that you can (not) remember about being picked on as the little bloke?**

This occurred regularly when I was playing colts and early Ares. My theory is that when you see a cocky borderline midget bending over the footy ready to be lined up, you take him out.

- **However, you are known for being able to give as good as you get, being one of the hardest players around, is there stories when little Bobby got a little too fired up?**

When I was playing in the final round of 2006 for A grade we played TA's and were getting beaten by about 5 goals. In the space of 2 minutes I was a marked man. Firstly I crunched their ruckman whilst trying to spoil and did a knee. Moments later a TA's bloke took a routine mark and I came through about 10 seconds late and took him out. Every TA player surrounded me and things got very heated. A yellow card should have been issued but I think the ump wanted to see me suffer by keeping me on the ground.

Another instance in A-res I tried to hip and shoulder North Beached best player. He dodged at the last minute and I broke Pottsy's face. Sorry Pottsy.

- **As well as often nursing a sore head after a game you have built a reputation for suffering from severe bouts of leather poisoning week in week out, what is the secret?**

Cheap kicks in the back half, demanding the footy and receiving highest free kick count in WAAFL history.

- **Given your uncanny ability to rack up 30 plus touches every game, you've seen constant tag ups. Would you like to give us some background or share your experience on how to shake a hard tag?**

Gee I haven't racked up the 30 for a while and I think the last time I was tagged was in 2005 A Res. I did become a tagger for A grade in 06 and the best technique used against me was a friendly squeeze to the brown balls. He can have the footy, dirty prick.

- **Who would win in a ruck contest between you and Sammy Wallace? What would be your rucking tactics and/or advantage?**

There would be a slight clash of heads and I would be seeing stars. Sammy would then skip away with the footy.

- **Greatest player you have seen to pull on the UFC Jumper**

Kane Loxely, Matty O'Hara (good JTC boy), and Steven Woods are all jets. Special mention to Dave Crudeli who kills it as a little fella. The Dingoes back 6, a very slick unit.

- **Greatest UFC team you have been involved with?**

2003 A colts undefeated premiers. Many quality players from country and metro W.A.

- **Greatest Victory you have been involved in?**

2003 A colts Grand final vs North Beach at East Fremantle Oval. The game was even in the first half. The mighty UFC then kicked away in the third quarter. Evan Bennison was best on ground. We spent the next 4 nights on the piss. Our coach Brownie knocked himself out falling off a table at the AJ and someone got an electric razor out and dished out some fairly rude haircuts. "Team Darts".

- **Playing in all grades at UFC from A Grade to Dingoes, you've played with a fairly weird bunch of blokes, Who is the Most Memorable Player you have played with and why?**

There have been a couple of mentalists and weirdos that have come through the UFC. One that I can remember well was Wilco. He was a massive unit who rode a motorbike to training and was a slightly weird but gentle bloke off the field.

Once he crossed the white line he would taunt the opposition all day and just simply toy with all the smaller bogans who retaliated.

He was pretty handy to have around for protection when things got heated underneath the packs.

No one really knew where he came from.

- **Who do you sit next to on the bus trips both there and back?**

Chucky Dawson

- **Who do you sit next to in the change rooms?**

I never like to sit down. I'm usually walking around the rooms or outside. This season I've been taping all the broken Dingoes.

- **Off the field, you don't mind spending your time down at local hot spots such as Boucla for a coffee or a bit of breaky. Are there any favourite café's that you would like to share or recommend for a coffee date?**

Café Chi chi – Pre-footy favourite

Moore & Moore – Museum and DJ decks. The date will think you are trendy.

Sayers – Great breaky menu (Wagyu beef baked egg)

Lemon Lane – Fair bit of hot town employed here

Cimbalino Cott – Massive amounts of hot town employed here

Little Pantry – For those on a budget \$2.50 dine in flat whites

Green's and co (pretty emo)

Floreat Beach Café – Where Lawto spends his 3 hour lunch breaks.

Do not go to Giardini in Leederville.....it is shite!

- **Favorite Movie, Food, Beverage?**

Napoleon Dynamite

Vietnamese/Thai food

Mount gay rum dry and lime (Non-fighting rum)

- **Funniest situation on the field?**

In an A-colts match against North Beach at Scotch college ovals we were in front and I was being heckled and harassed on the wing by the North beach bench and supporters. I ignored this for a while until I kicked a goal and the game was sealed. On my way back to my position before the bounce I showed a bit too much arrogance for a young colt and directed a hand party gesture to the North Beach bench. They didn't take too kindly to this and I was threatened with death in the carpark. Lighten up North Beach.

- **What would you say are the strengths of your game, apart from your hardness and ball winning ability?**

Tackling, hard running, winding up bogans.

- **And the weaknesses?**

Aerial marking, kicking and a rubbish set shot for goal.

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

5 – Practicing physio over in Europe somewhere

10 – Back in Australia owning my own practice

20 – Would have shrunk to under 5 foot by then

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

Neil Donaldson – Club legend who knows everyone at the club.

Bus Trip – Boat races with Stone's Ginger Wine.

AJ – 1<sup>st</sup> round show = young brush

Boucla – Takeaway skinny FW

Peter Woods – Weird Owl, massive creep!

Tom Hubbard – Lover of cheeses and a heart throb teacher

Physios – tough degree, not bad for chicks.

**Rob you've been a legend across all grades thus far. It's an honour having such a great footballer and sensational bloke down. Best of luck for your 100<sup>th</sup> game and let's celebrate with a great win!**

**Thanks very much, it's been an absolute pleasure.**