

PORT ADELAIDE

MATT BROADBENT

DEF - \$428,800

Tough defender who floats through the midfield. He would've been even more ideal if he gained DPP selection in SuperCoach, but I've selected him nonetheless. The 350-450k DEF options all come with an element of risk. Broady has averaged steadily between 80-85 the past two years. A similar season will see him at least hold his value, but I'm hoping for a slight rise in that and he may even become a keeper if things go right. Only in 0.82% of sides as most are choosing Swallow for around the same price.

Others to consider.....

Brad Ebert - MID - \$524,200

Lifted his average last year by 15, from 70 to 85. It was a breakout year of sorts for Ebert, although he still has the potential to go much higher. Again, he is falling victim to the amount of quality midfielders in the SuperCoach competition. However, just like a number of PODs I have pointed out, he is a viable options for an M4 or M5 depending on what you're looking at spending and if you're after someone a bit different. Would need to lift his average to be a GREAT choice, but there's no reason to suggest he won't. Best to watch his first few weeks and make a decision from there. Only in 0.43% of sides!

Matthew Lobbe - RUCK - \$464,400

Showed last year the qualities he possesses, averaging 86. He worked better as a solo ruckman, shown by the scores he produced when Redden wasn't playing. He had some huge games, but none bigger than his game against Geelong; 59 hit-outs, 17 possessions, 6 tackles and 1 goal for 154 SuperCoach points. He has been in plenty of sides as of late and becoming less of a POD, but still worth considering. However there was news today of Brent Renouf being upgraded to the senior list; I would be reluctant to take Lobbe if they're both playing in the one team.