



King to lead the way

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WAYNE "King" Carey has described Adelaide's forward line for next week's Slowdown XI as "fairly handy".

That's a bit of an understatement as Carey will slot in alongside former greats Tony Modra and the Jarman brothers.

The dual premiership centre-half-forward and AFL Hall of Fame member will return to SA for the game at Adelaide Oval on October 2.

But he won't be making any requests for his team to clear out the 50 so he can go to work.

"We'll all try and work in together," Carey said. "It should be a bit of fun."

"I played a game a few weeks ago in Perth which was for a few different children's charities and it was really good. The body feels okay, I still run even though the knee swells up a bit."

Chris McDermott, director of the Little Heroes Foundation which runs the event, is hoping for a sell-out crowd of 18,000. Organisers have locked the gates only once in the early 2000s when Lleyton Hewitt and Guy Sebastian pulled on the boots.

"It's our strongest line up by far in terms

of talent," McDermott said.

"And we're a bit younger too."

"I think we've only got three left from the original Slowdown - Rodney Maynard, Scott Lee and Andrew Jarman."

Along with Carey, Matthew Liptak and Wayne Weidemann are other recent additions to the Crows team.

There is also selection news at the Power with former World Series baseballer, now Adelaide Bite general manager, Pat Kelly a confirmed starter.

"He's (Kelly) only ever kicked the ball with his son but he's going to play," McDermott said.

Tickets are only available at the gate which opens at 4pm on Saturday, October 2.

