

# FMR FIFA Teams

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#### **ROUND 4**

## **U12 Ankle Biters**

The Ankle biters had a nail biting match versus FMR Warriors and managed to hold on to a 2 goal lead.

Players of the day were Riley Beere and Michael Gobregts who will enjoy their vouchers from Squid Lips and Kingston Bakery.



## **U12 Warriors**

Today we had a Derby against the new team in our age group, the Ankle Biters. It was very closely matched with no score at half time. Both teams were showing some great soccer and really came out hungry to score. The Warriors broke through the Ankle Biters back line a couple of times and had a few shots on goal but nothing got past the keeper. The Warriors back line was solid and impenetrable with Sophia stepping up as sweeper and not letting anything get past her.

In the second half, on a hot and sunny day, the Warriors were really feeling not having any subs, but that didn't stop them running their hearts out all the way to the end. The refs decision to play 30 minute half's also tested us with no subs today. The Ankle Biters were able to use some fresh legs thanks to their 4 subs to break through and score a couple in the final minutes of the game.

It was great to see the Ankle Biters, a new team this season, playing a strong game already and coming together as a team. Well done to them! And well done to the Warriors who fought hard.

POD went to our keepers, Catto in the first half who was solid as always and went on for a run up front in the second half for the first time this season. Max in the second half who was also solid as always with some cracker saves and felt the pressure of the second half when his team were running out of steam.

Thanks for putting your hand up to be keeper every single week boys, we love your work 🐑 🤙

#### **U12 Warriors**



### **U12 Rockets**

The Rockets play against GMAS Stingrays this week.

Coach Matt Gant tried a 2-5-2 formation, and it paid off. Right front the first whistle the team was offensive and keen to score. After a skilful pass from Leigh, Archie finished it, opening the scoring.

The team was making the most of their chances with plenty of near misses. GMAS rose to the occasion and were giving their best, putting pressure through the centre, getting close enough for our defence to be on alert.

On the second half, Rockets again dominated the field, keeping the game on GMAS's side. Archie swished the net with a terrific goal after a fantastic pass from Gabe. The game presented many opportunities to practice offside rules, and our players were called on it a few times.

Congratulations to GMAS Stingrays who played a fantastic game. However, The Rockets once more showed skill and passion which made for fantastic game to watch.

Congratulations to Darcy, Myles and Archie our players of the day for their efforts and energy on the field. And thank you to Squid Lips, Candy Cow and Burger Baby for the support.



#### **U12 Rockets**



## **U13 Tigers**

Perfect blue skies in Busselton saw MUSC Thunder host our FMR Tigers. The Thunder were gracious in giving the Tigers 2 of their players to make the numbers fair for the start of the game.

Play started well with the Tigers keeping early possession, and they were rewarded with a couple of early goals. The Thunder showed more promise in the later part of the first half with their midfield holding strong, however, the Tigers passing was too good and another couple of goals ended the half with the Tigers up 5-0.

The second half started much like the first with the Tigers hitting the score board again before an offside ruling prevented the Thunder from claiming their first goal.

A late penalty against the Thunder in the box gave Alex Ralston the chance to seal the victory from the penalty spot which he slotted home in the bottom right corner.

Final score FMR Tigers 9 MUSC Thunder 0

P.O.D's went to 2 hat-trick scorers Chloe Wilsher and Alex Ralston.

Thanks to this weeks sponsor Squid Lips!



## **U14 Glory**



After a minute silence to pay respect for former Executive Committee Member Terry Payne, it was game on for the derby!!

From start to finish the game was an intense physical arm wrestle between both teams.

Glory defended with everything they had in the tank and held their shape throughout.

A sensational team effort by Glory coming up with the only goal of the game by Alex in the 2nd half.

Players of the day were Archie and Yas.

Thank you to Burger Baby for their ongoing support!



### **U14 Wyverns**



Round 4. Time for the always highly anticipated and hotly contested Derby with the Glory. The Wyverns were the "away" team and played in the blues.

We started with a minutes silence for Terry Payne, who passed away recently and was a great friend to our Coach and long term member of the Club. May he rest in peace.

The game was on from the moment of the kickoff. It was a very even match up and down the pitch and big goalie kicks on both sides. Glory hand a chance with a corner early on, but couldn't convert it.

More play up and down followed with the kids leaving it all out on the pitch. The pressure from both sides was intense and everyone sure got a work out. It felt like we were watching tennis - ball up, ball down.

It was 2 mins to half time before we got our first shot away. Poom made a beautiful play down the line through the Glory defenders with a pass to Stirling giving him a free run at goals. With only the goalie in his way, I thought this was our chance, but the shot was caught and we came away scoreless at half time.



Early in the second half, a Glory chance went over the net. Both sides putting their bodies on the line. Henry in particular had a magnificent game in defense. Glory got past us again and took a shot, but a jump by Jarrah meant it hit the gloves and bounced over the top. Phew!

In a quick turn around, Glory got another shot off that went through giving them the first score with just over 10 mins to go. The next two chances were caught by Jarrah, which was no small feat with the sun in his face.

Our next play up resulted in a fast ball to the face for Glory player Tori - man that girl is tough! I think we all felt that on the sidelines, but she didn't miss a beat. A second run by Stirling didn't get through the goalie. I thought we had a chance with a corner, but the goalie caught the ball in the crowd in front and that was that.

## **U14 Wyverns**

Full time and a win to the Glory whose tactics to keep our midfield and strikers out of the game worked like a charm. (Don't worry Andy, I'm not going to give any secrets away. You may have got us this time, but we are still one club  $\bigotimes$ )

Wyverns player of the day was Henry who worked hard all game in defence. Thanks to Burger Baby for the voucher.





## **Youth League Wanderers**

MR Wanderers v Vasse Hawks

The Wanderers were made to pay for a slow start in their game against the Vasse Hawks as they found themselves a goal down within two minutes. This was to get worse as they went 2-0 down from a corner a few minutes later, at this point all the home supporters were fearing the worst, but to the Wanderers credit, they regrouped and got to the half time break without conceding another goal.

The half time team talk was about taking the game to Vasse and not being so passive, the next twenty minutes was a real battle as both teams slugged it out, but as the Wanderers pushed forward seeking a goal, they got caught on the break. This took the wind out of the Wanderers and although they never gave up they started to tire in the warm conditions and Vasse ran out worthy winners.

Best players for Wanderers were Malik, Reed and Jake.