



# FMR

## FIFA Teams

### ROUND 13

### U12 Ankle Biters

Ankle Biters took on Vasse Kestrels in Vasse and they had a blinder of a game! As usual the Willing brothers were in the spotlight. The footwork from Austin was outstanding early, managing to break through the defenders, but it was Benji who stole the show. Benji got the Ankle Biters first goal early by breaking through the defence and shooting at goal. The ball hit the left post and bounced back but Benji was straight on it and put it into the back of the net. He followed that up with a second goal off a corner not too much later.

Vasse tried valiantly to get the ball down to their goals but they struggled to get past Riley, Lachie, Monty and Amelie in defence. Benji brought up his hat trick with a good strike that beat the goalie and went straight into the back corner of the net. But he wasn't done yet.... Vasse got all the way to the goal line but were stopped by Monty who sent a big kick forward to be picked up by Benji again who sent it flying into the back corner of the net for his 4th goal in the first half.



In the second half, Coach Quentin decided that was enough of the Benji show and put him in goals to give Ollie a run.

With Benji out of the way, Austin stepped up to shine. He got the ball in attack early in the second and went for a goal, but it was stopped by the goalie. They kept it in the forward line though, drawing the goalie out of the goals, allowing Austin to step around him and get an unguarded shot on goal.

The Ankle Biters continued to pepper the Vasse goals with Ryder narrowly missing a shot. Austin continued his fancy footwork to beat the defender and cross the ball to Michael who had an open shot.

Ankle biters had 2 more chances with a foul in the box giving Ryder a penalty shot at goal but that went a little wide. Then a hand ball in the box gave Austin a penalty shot which was on-line but saved by the goalie.

But a great show of skills from the Ankle Biters and a real team effort.

Player awards this week went to Amelie James-Martin and Ryder Moore.

## U12 Rockets



### U12 FMR Derby Rockets v Warriors

Another derby for the Rockets. This time they faced Warriors. It was a level and strong match. Lots of great game from both sides.

Warriors got close and tested Rockets defence, but a smart pass from Hayden saw Kalani opened the score. Dom scored another just before the half time whistle.

Second half started with Warriors putting pressure, testing Rockets defence looking for an opportunity. A corner from Kalani saw a beautiful header from Gabe.

Another great game for the Rockets. Now is time for some serious training before the Cup Semi finals on Saturday.

Player of the day was Myles after a consistent three week of strong game.

## U13 Sharks

### FMR Sharks Vs the Dunsborough Wanderers.

The Sharks set their alarm clocks and suppressed their yawns, for an early kick off in Dunsborough against the Wanderers on Saturday. The Wanderers came out strong and slipped a couple goals past the Sharks before they had a chance to adjust to the pace. In true Shark style they sprang to life and banded together to create several opportunities. There were some truly powerful shots from Felix Gibbs, including a near miss that seemed to cross the line and bounce back out. Seemingly unseen by the Dunsborough referee, and without the benefit of the video replay, the Sharks were forced to charge on, 2 nil down at the half time whistle.

The Sharks defence did well in the second half to push the Dunsborough attackers offside several times. Their attack gained momentum with some more great shots, that just missed the mark. Finally, Felix Gibbs left no doubt and fired one in the back of the net. Dunsborough were very quick to retaliate with a goal of their own. Despite good efforts from Nico Fisher in goal, the final score was a win to the blue, with Dunsborough on 4 goals and Margaret River just 1 goal recorded on their score sheet.

There were so many brave performances in this game. Players of the day went to Kelani Taylor for his tireless work on the right wing. Max Prolongeau, who played brilliantly in attack and then switched to a defensive position where he played with confidence and commitment. Kai Hiller was also named POD, his work in the midfield vital and consistent. Great game Sharks!!



## U13 Sharks



## U13 Tigers



Under lights v U14 Development Squad

Our players of the day was Jacob Walker.

Big thanks to Squidlips for the voucher.

## U14 Glory

What a great start to another beautiful winter morning of Glory soccer at Dunsborough, this weekend.

The opening minutes saw a strong attack from Indy and Archie on the opposition goals and great defensive play by Diggs and Tori. Subsequent lightening passes by Yazzie and Scarlet led to blistering Harper attack on goal but with no result.

Most of the first half went by without event but despite Scarlet's near impenetrable defense, the opposition's very skilled number 13, snuck one in past Marks safe hands. An impressive three-quarter run by Archie and a few slick moves by Jarli led to an excellent corner taken by Asha.

## U14 Glory

A brilliant long shot from way outside the box by Archie was Glory's only real chance a scoring for the day. Reminiscent of Wednesday's supersonic goal by Sam Kerr against England, (notably Nick) and the rest of the crowd erupted in support, but to no avail. The opposition's Number 17 (on their back line) kept weaving through Glory's near bullet-proof difference defense with amazing tenacity, but never scored.

Despite some regular 'Jay Magic,' and some strong tackling by Charlotte, Glory just never found their feet and failed to score.

Mark, made eleven good saves but Glory was left with a one – nil defeat yo Dunsborough Victory.

Man of the match went deservedly to Archie by our generous sponsors – Burger Baby of Margaret River.



## U14 Wyverns

Unusually for me, this will be a shorter than usual report as I was in the canteen for most of the first half! Luckily we have that big window so could still watch the Wyverns take on top of the ladder team Dunsborough Jets.

We always know it's going to be a tough game coming up against the Duns teams, and this week was no exception. Both teams are pretty evenly matched and it proved hard for either team to break through and score in the first half. Wyverns struck first with a Poom Chaichit goal off a cross up the line. Duns quickly struck back to leave the score 1-1 at half time.

Everyone came back fired up in the second half. A Duns strike was blocked by Stirling Wolfe-Kermode in front of goals. Oliver Milward was putting on great pressure up the line. Henry Thierfelder, Michale Breese and Jack Dawson were making it really hard for Duns to break through our defense, and Jarrah made some more great saves in goal.

Stirling got a run up forward to bang in our second goal. Duns had a chance off a free kick, but it went over.

Henry blocked another chance in the box and was solid as a rock in keeping the defense tight and not letting Duns get past him. A Duns ball went over. An FMR ball went over. Jarrah made another save. William Newnham's shot on goal was saved by Duns goalie.

The final half seemed to go for hours, but finally the whistle blew to give us the win and break the Jettz unbeaten winning streak in a tight hard contest.



## U14 Wyverns



## U15 Marroners

Margaret River was back on the road Saturday to face Busselton's Spicy Chickens in what is always a match of epic proportions and this Saturday certainly didn't disappoint.

The match began as a tense affair with both teams up to the challenge and desperately wanting to take home the points on the day. It wasn't until the twentieth minute mark that the Marroners broke through to score after a superb run and cross from Lucas to Ryder, who finished truly to put Margaret River one nil up. This became 2 nil up just a minute before half time when an untimely penalty from Busselton allowed Ryder to score once again.

The second half began with Margaret River winning a free kick within two minutes of play and Ryder striking a superb goal from a long way out to complete a hat trick and seemingly giving the Marroners an unassailable lead. Busselton thought otherwise and as our players began to tire the Spicy Chickens began to fire and put on a sustained period of play where Margaret River's backline was constantly under pressure as not one, but two goals were scored.

To the Marroners credit, rather than playing defensively, they continued to attack and only a superb save from Will, the Spicy Chicken's keeper, denied Lucas a goal. This attacking style of play eventually resulted in Zane breaking through to give the Marroners a 4 goals to 2 lead with only a minute remaining and thus it remained.

## U15 Marroners



Another tremendous team performance with every Margaret River player digging deep and giving everything they have to come away with the win.

I could easily name every player and list ten wonderful things that you each did on the pitch because every one of you played out of your skin today.

As we head into the pointy end of the season it is this incredible team work that makes a champion team. Continue to play as the team you are Marroners and the results shall continue to follow...

Players of the day were Lisa and Henry, thanks to Burger Baby.