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FIFA Teams

ROUND 16 - Last game of the season for most teams, and boy did we bring it! Glory tumbled the top of the ladder in an awesome nail biter to finish the season on a high!

U12 Ankle Biters



The Ankle biters were up against the CSC Chiefs for their final game. With both teams scoring within 10 minutes of the first half, they were off to a solid start. Cody Battese scored the first goal for the Ankle Biters followed closely by a second goal from Benji Willing.

There was solid defence by the Ankle Biters but the Chiefs were able to score another goal bringing both teams to an even score . Riley Beere showed excellent defence as he and Monte Brice fought back to get the ball down their end of the field.

Chiefs were quick to score a goal in the second half putting them in the lead . Although the Ankle Biters showed a great fight the CSC Chiefs managed to score their fourth goal.

Griffin Wood showed some fast foot work to get the ball off his opponents. With several shots at the goals the Ankle biters were unsuccessful at scoring until Austin Willing scored the third goal for the team giving him player of the match.

Excellent performance by both teams with CSC Chiefs taking the win for the day.

U12 Rockets

Last game of the season and the Rockets started with a fast advantage, but the Phantoms benefited from Rockets mistakes equaling before half time.

The Rockets started the second half with renewed energy finishing the game victorious.

Well done Rockets for keeping the energy up throughout this amazing season. Bring it on the finals next week in Capel against Busselton Sharks.

Congratulations Gabe Gant for the well deserved Two Cracks Coffee player of the week.



U12 Warriors

Today the U12 Warriors played against Dunsborough, in Dunsborough. It was a great game with both teams showing how much they have developed over the season. It was goal for goal for a while with all players wanting to get in and score in the last game of the season.

We were down one at half time and talked about how we needed to keep our heads up keep pushing to the end, and that's what we did. The second half saw The Warriors hold possession for most of the half. Every single player was running their heart out and there were a lot of shots on goal with some very near misses.

Declan scored player of the match today because he had a great game with one epic shot on goal that the keeper just tipped over the top, lots of through balls to his team mates, setting up plays and being a really reliable player in the middle of the pitch.

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U12 Warriors



U13 Tigers

The final game of the season was met with ideal conditions in Dunsborough on Saturday. The game started evenly matched with the previous 2 times this season that the teams had met being close games, this was sure to be another!

The Wanderers got the early break part way through the first half. The Tigers attack didn't let up with some early chances testing the Dunsborough keeper.

The Tigers finally got the breakthrough they were looking for close to half time with the score line Dunsborough 4, Tigers 1.

The second half was a more promising for the Tigers midfield, producing some great plays to get the ball up front to striker Alex Ralston. A couple more goals from both teams still had the game close, however, The Wanderers walked away with the win 9-4.

POD went to Cameron Cockburn and Emillie Bowden.

Thanks to Burger Baby for the vouchers!



U14 Glory



The whistle blew and it was on, both teams looking for a victory in the last game of the season. There were early shots on target at both ends with Glory defence working hard to keep the Jets forwards in check, and keeper Mark making some brilliant saves. Eventually, after hitting the crossbar, the Jets found the back of the net to open the score.

The Glory immediately counter attack with Archie striking a banger from long range to even the score. The midfield battle was tough but the Glory held their own. More shots from both teams but all square at half time.

2nd Half - The Jets earn an early penalty but the shot goes over the top. Glory back on the attack with shots from Harper, Indi, Jay, Yasmin either going just wide, saved, or hitting the woodwork! The intensity is rising with great football from end to end and the Jets get their 2nd goal.

The Glory keep coming and earn a corner kick. Yasmin sends in a lovely ball which finds Archie's head and scores!!!

The battle continues, time is running out and its now a nailbiter!!

The Glory on the front foot and a determined run from defender Scarlett who takes a shot and scores her only goal of the season!

The Jets now give it everything, Glory under extreme pressure, a late shot on target is saved and the final whistle sounds!!!!

It was an excellent and determined performance from the whole team and a very well deserved victory at 3:2 to end the season on a high.

POD's to Digby and Scarlett.

U14 Wyverns

It was a clash between Numbers 2 and 3 on the ladder when the Wyverns met the Duns Victory to determine who would take out the runner up in the League.

It was a tight, close fast paced match and both teams were determined to win. Wyverns had two chances early on, but the wind and luck were not going our way.

The ball was playing no favourites either spending time on both sides of the pitch and the players tried their best to keep it in their forward halves and keep the other team scoreless.

Hugo came off some some first-aid. Luckily for his boots, and not an injury! Sideline triage determined boots were able to be resuscitated for the game thanks to the Victory Coach kindly offering us her tape, and some deft strapping by Mel and Aaron on the sidelines.

Back on the pitch, things had not slowed down. A brilliant save by Jarrah, kept the score nil all at the end of the first half.

Not long into the second half, a magnificent kick from the corner of the pitch by Oliver L sailed across the box and curved perfectly into the net to give us the lead. Wyverns went wild - Players and parents!

Victory No 13 is always a danger when he gets a clear run, but a good block by Jarrah saved us. Another chance was caught by Jarrah.

There was good work by Duns goalie up the other end of the pitch too with both teams having chances, but unable to find the net.

A Poom shot went over. A Duns shot went over. A great Stirling shot went wide. Back and forth the ball went with the crowd on tenterhooks.

With minutes to go, the Ref called an unlucky handball in the box, giving a penalty to Victory who took aim and scored.

End result a 1-1 draw, but Wyverns securing the second spot on the ladder with their overall GD (Goal Difference).

Coach Gary was impressed with our second half in the wind. Oliver L had a brilliant second half, Jarrah played well, Michael stepped up, William had a good second half and Henry good in the back. POD was given to Hugo, who had a brilliant game, even if his boots did not! Thanks to Squidlips.

Next week we take on the BCFC Thunder for a chance to take home the U15 Championship FIFA Cup! Up the Wyverns!!



U15 Marroners



Margaret River Marroners hosted Busselton Spicy Chickens on Saturday in a top of the table clash to decide the Premiers. With both teams tied on seven wins each, but Busselton keeping three points up their sleeve due to a forfeit earlier in the season, it was a must win for Margaret River, if they wanted to win the Premiership.

The game started with both teams playing positive, attacking football with no real chances until Finn slotted a perfect through ball to Lucas, who scored truly ten minutes in. Scores were quickly tied though, seven minutes later when Busselton's attacking style resulted in a cracking goal. One all quickly became two to one in Busselton's favour four minutes later when Busselton managed to find the back of the net from a long range free kick. This seemed to spur the Marroners into action, but when they failed to capitalise on an easy through ball and Busselton scored another goal before half time, the writing was on the wall.

Margaret River played hard attacking football in the second half, but was denied time and time again by some brilliant Busselton keeping and the full time whistle blew with the Spicy Chickens taking a deserved 3 to 1 win and the Premiership. The Marroners may hold their heads high though, knowing they gave their all this season and came oh so close to winning the Under 15's . Special mention to the Lange brothers, Finn and Reef who both played outstanding football on Saturday and a huge thank you to Adrian and Mark for their guest coaching appearance this past week in Kris's absence.

Great job Marroners, Runners up for season 2023.