



# FMR

# Mini-Roos

**ROUND 13** - What a weekend! I know the newsletters are usually all about our Juniors, but I want to take a minute to acknowledge our Senior teams, who are having a fantastic year. This past weekend, both our Men's and Women's Premier teams emerged as the proud champions of the Pioneer Cup! What a remarkable feat it was, with two incredible victories on Friday night that brought the trophy home to Margaret River.

The Mermaids kept up their winning streak, backing up their epic Cup win on Friday night, to take out the top of the ladder at the Junior Quiz Night too!!! But they can't win them all, with the second Mermaids table being handed last years wooden spoon by the Wyverns.

We raised a very nice sum that as with all fundraising monies this year, will go towards kitting out our Juniors in fresh uniforms for the 2024 Season. Thank you to everyone who came along and spent their money so generously. We hope you also had a fun night. Thank you to the Junior Committee for putting in the work to make this event such a success! And to our fabulous barmen, Ian and Paul who spent the night running around making sure everything went smoothly, and to Quiz Master extraordinaire Andrew who kept our brains busy all night.

Thank you to Evans & Tate, Beerfarm and Gant and Co for donating wine and beer for the night. Last but definitely not least, thank you to all the businesses who supported our Club with donations of goods and vouchers for us. Adventure World - Official Page, Black Brewing Co., BODHI Wellness Spa Retreat Yallingup, Bushy Lake Chalets - Margaret River, Caledonia Beauty Studio, Capes Foundation, Discover Deadly, Drapery Co, Drift Cafe, Eagles Heritage, Evans & Tate, Giniversity, Golf Gardens, Lazarus Horticulture Services, Margaret River Fudge Factory, Margaret River Mitre 10, Next Level Monkey Biz, Primal Archery, Rose and Wild, Scenic Helicopters, Shelter Brewing Co, Southern Workwear & Embroidery, The Little Far, The Little Press, The Par 3 Golf & Mini Golf, Vasse Virgin and Wines of Merritt. We couldn't have done this without all of you. Thank you, thank you, thank you!



## U7 Rovers



The Rovers hosted GMAS Thunder this weekend which turned out to be a tough encounter. The Rovers defence was put under a lot of pressure early on, with Thunder having many strong players.

Great teamwork was shown to withstand the pressure. The second half showed the boys step up their offensive game with some spot on passing and teamwork and with that they managed to find the back of the net on a few more occasions.

Players of the day for his constant on the ball pressure resulting in a couple of near misses and 2 goals was Mason. And Jimmy with his stellar defensive skills and always accurate passing.

With thanks to Ninjas in Mocean and Squidlips

## U8 Strikers

Good conditions for soccer led to a superb tussle between the Strikers and Dragons.

The Strikers were staunch in defence with some great goal saves by Jahla.

Awesome teamwork saw Arlo G put one into the net in the second half.

POD went to Josh and Arlo D thanks to LJ Soccer and Squidlips.



## U8 Dragons

This weekend the Dragons competed against another FMR team, the Strikers.

The Dragons were strong all throughout the game. Notably, they really came together and played cohesively as a team. Play flowed well and the kids were running down the line with speed and accurate passes to their teammates who were open and ready for the cross. Our defence proved nearly impenetrable. Each player did well to hold their position on the field. We scored a flurry of goals which were celebrated together by the team and with spectators cheering from the sidelines.

The Dragons are going from strength to strength and we're excited to see these promising footballers develop.

Players of the day today with thanks to Squid Lips Margaret River and LJ Soccer were Jedd and Zorawar. Both boys put in 100% in every match and are highly valued players in the team.



## U9 Storm



POD The Whole Team!

In a Great Derby Clash a player down Storm team put up a good fight against a formidable Joeys lineup.

Joeys took the win.

Storm received POD vouchers from Burger Baby, Two Cracks Coffee and Luke Johnson Soccer Academy

## U10 Breakers

### U10 FMR Derby Breakers Vs Jettz

The teams were very evenly matched for the derby.

The Breakers forwards managed to break through the Jettz strong defensive web to score some hard-won goals.

The Jettz made the most of all opportunities to lead the way by the end of the match.

Mid-fielders Isaac and Will played hard in mid-field to earn PODS. Thanks to the Milk Shack and Two Cracks Coffee for prizes.



## U11 Stingrays

Stingrays were home against Dunsborough Warriors this week. An early game in overcast conditions but at least the rain stayed away.

With a couple of players MIA and 3 turning up late, it made for a disjointed start. The team had several good chances to take the lead - accuracy was the problem. Two weeks on the trot Stingrays went behind against the run of play. The Warriors broke down the right and a great one two finished with the ball in the back of the net. It wasn't long before Stingrays were back level again. A great passing move that finished with Tao hitting the ball well that was still rising as it hit the back of the net. With the game evenly balanced, The Warriors went ahead for the second time, going into the break 1 goal to the good.

The Stingrays brought the game back to 2-2 with a fierce shot from Cayden Del Barrio when he found himself clean through. A ball too hot for the keeper to handle.



The Warriors being allowed to play in the Stingrays half went ahead again when a corner ball was drilled in hard and the keeper did well to get to it but couldn't stop from deflecting into the net.

There were a couple of dubious challenges throughout the game that had Stingrays players hobbling from the pitch, and when a Stingrays player put the ball into his own net, it was all over for the Stingrays despite pushing hard until the final whistle.

Good effort all round, not the usual passing game from Stingrays this week. Player of the day went to Tao Kinney for his excellent goal. Thanks Two Cracks Coffee.

A few games left this season to finish on a high.