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# FIFA Teams

## ROUND 10

### U12 Rockets



The Rockets had a good start scoring 4 goals in the first half.

Dunsborough put pressure on, but Rockets defence was not giving them an easy target.

The boys were eager to score, and naturally there were some off-side calls which kept them from finalising a few times.

A hole in Rockets defence and the Razorblades scored.

Over all it was a great and entertaining game, with both sides giving their best.

Well done Myles for POD, with thanks to Two Cracks Coffee.

### U12 Warriors

The Warriors had a good win on Saturday against the Vasse Kestrels. The Warriors played great out wide sending the ball down the line and trapping it in their forward half for the majority of the game. The strikers and mid field shared the ball around, successfully finding the back of the net.

The team are doing great at holding their formation whilst our fast runners are moving quickly into defensive positions and transitioning forward to support up front.

There was just the right amount of mud to have a fun day.

The player of the match was Flynn who is having a great season getting plenty of touches on the ball and learning the game fast.

## U12 Warriors



## U13 Sharks

It was a drizzly Saturday morning and there was electricity on the field, when the Sharks met the Vasse Magpies in a high intensity match.

The Sharks got themselves on the scoreboard first with a decisive goal from Kai Hillier. The Magpies swooped right back at the Sharks with their own goal. Shortly after Rainer de Vries converted, with a neat touch from a corner cross. The teams continued to trade goal for goal, right to the nail-biting final whistle.

## U13 Sharks

Both sides gave it their all. The final score was a draw - 4 goals all, and a good reflection of how equally matched they really were. Strong defensive performance by Vincent Lonnie, who was cool and calm under pressure and just went about doing his job, as he so consistently does. Laura Dimopoulos did some great work in the back line, so strong and with her tackles. Also shining in defence, teammate Ava Yee Wilson, who is so consistent this season. All three shared the prestigious title of 'Shark of the Match', many thanks to Candy Cow, Two Cracks Coffee and Squid Lips for the POD vouchers.

Special mention also to Kai Ensley as 'ring in' goalkeeper, whose defensive instincts shone. He ran out when he needed to, held his line when he needed to, and saved many goals. Great game Sharks!!



# U14 Glory

It was a return to Form for the Glory who recorded their second win of the campaign on the road vs a competitive MacKillop team.

With the Coach clapped in as the last to arrive to the game, this showed that the players were all keen and up for it.

Glory started bright and looked to get their passing game going from the whistle.

Archie Berry opened the scoring with a nice drive and cut in and lovely finish.

Glory then earned a free kick just inside the final third, Yas Callaghan managed to curl home a beautiful left foot strike, quality.

As the half wore on Glory were finding hard to break down the MUSC team as they were first to the ball and doing well to shut down our passing lanes.

Scarlett Gant sent in a dangerous ball into the six yard box, which in the scramble found its way to Jay Grant, who with his back to goal managed an audacious overhead chip into the net, smart thinking from the forward.

At halftime Glory were reminded about keeping possession, making good decisions and good team communication.

Playing with tight numbers again, Chloe Willsher stepped up from the U13's, to fill in and she worked very hard, created a couple of fantastic chances and was unlucky to not score herself.

This motivated the Glory Players and travelling fans.

Resulting in 'Squid Lips' Player of the Day Harper Butler, grabbing two quick goals, both long range strikes created from his hard pressing and work off the ball, brilliant.

Scarlett added another with powerful shot from the edge of the box and Archie, with some good movement and footwork, scored his second for the game.

MUSC not to be outdone completed the scoring with a great team goal which they had worked hard for all game

A great game for the Glory. Well done.



# U14 Wyverns

This week was a clash between numbers 2 and 3 on the ladder, with the Wyverns travelling to Dunsborough to take on the Jets.

With the sun peaking through the clouds, the game started. The intensity was strong from both sides.

Stirling Wolfe-Kermode broke through early, but his shot went over the top.

A free kick to Jets broke through our wall, but was saved by Jarrah Davies.

The ball didn't play favourites and spent equal time in each half, and the wind wasn't doing us any favours.

Jets had another opportunity, but Henry Thierfelder, always solid in defence, scooped up the ball and got it out. Both sides had opportunities but neither side was able to finish forward plays off. Then, with just over 3 mins to half time, Jets broke through and got on the board.



The second half was much the same. Jets scored from a penalty giving them a 2-0 lead.

Our boys dug deep and a ball from Hugo Thierfelder in defence got up to the forwards who finally broke through with a goal.

Stirling then had a run up - the Goalie challenged, but Stirling beat him to score our second to even at 2-2.

Jets upped the ante scoring twice more to give them back the lead.

Jarrah saved 3 more Jets opportunities, Jack Dawson was laying on the pressure and Henry controlling from the back, but our forwards were unable to break through.

POD this week was Jack Dawson. He's so fast, strong and played a magnificent game in defense. Well done Jack and thanks to Two Cracks Coffee for the voucher!

# U15 Marroners

The Marroners travelled to Barnard Park on Saturday for what is arguably the hardest task in the Under 15's Premiership League - taking on the Busselton Spicy Chickens. After last weeks narrow loss, this was a must win for the Marroners and players, coaching staff and parents alike knew as much.

Straight from the first whistle it was evident that Margaret River was here to win and was unlucky to not score within the first sixty seconds of play. Another few chances went begging before Busselton managed to find the net against the run of play. The Marroners quickly answered back five minutes later with a great passage of play from defence to Zane on wing, who sent in the perfect cross for Ryder to finish off.

The game then seesawed for the remaining twenty minutes of the first half, with both teams having some great opportunities to score, but ultimately the one all scoreline held, setting up a thrilling second half.

The Marroners came out strong and in an inspired twenty minute period managed to score two great goals, seemingly putting the game out of reach for that Spicy Chickens, but alas Busselton thought otherwise.

As Margaret River appeared to adopt a more defensive approach, Busselton dominated the next ten minutes and clawed back another goal from a corner to suddenly be within striking distance of an unlikely draw. To the Marroners credit they dug deep and after an inspired substitute change from the coaching staff, managed a late goal and sealed a magnificent 4 - 2 win.

Once again, thank you to our sponsors Burger Baby and Squidlips for supporting our club and players of the day Lisa Botha and Zane Smith. Football is a team sport and every single Marroner dug deep on Saturday and played their part to a tee, creating some truly beautiful passages of play. But for every beautiful passage, there is also the hard ball gets and the second and third efforts that every Marroner is willing to put in that creates the team spirit this club is famous for. Awesome effort Margaret River.

