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FMR

FIFA CUP FINALS

Big day in Capel for our U12 Rockets and the U15 Championship Wyverns who made it through to the FIFA Cup Finals for their League.

Unfortunately not the result we wanted for either team, but we'll take the Silver!

U12 Rockets

U12 Rockets were first up playing against the BCFC Sharks.

The 'El Classico' between the two top sides did not disappoint with great football on display from both teams. The Rockets played out from the back, seeking to use the width of the field and build their attack, whilst the Sharks were compact and resolute in defence hitting FMR effectively on the counter.

A fierce battle ensued on a small pitch where it was hard to find the space, but in the end the difference in the two sides was that the Sharks took their chances, with the Rockets going down 2 nil when the final whistle blew.

The best team won on the day, and football was the winner with the match being conducted in good spirits and in the way we like to see this beautiful game played. Whilst not the result the Rockets wanted, the final capped off a brilliant season, and we'll all be back for more next year!



U15 Championship Wyverns

The Wyverns took to the field to take on BCFC Thunder for the Cup. Hugo was playing hard and Stirling was making plays, but we weren't able to make the most of our chances in the forward half. Luckily Thunder were having the same problem with Jarrah making some saves and Thunder had a hard time getting through our defences until 25 minutes into the first half when they scored the first goal.

Oliver L made a brilliant pass up to Stirling, but the Thunder goalie saved the goal. Oliver L then got a free kick, but the defence stopped it. Thunder then broke through to score again just before the whistle to have a 2-0 lead at half time.

Thunder opened the second half with a goal off a penalty. Things were not looking good for us, but the boys showed great heart to fight their way back into the game, with a run forward by Stirling that ended with a brilliant goal. Another chance by Poom unfortunately went wide.

Pressure by Michael made Thunder's next chance go wide, then a brilliant Poom / Stirling combo saw our second goal go on the scorecard. Wooo-hoooo!

Poom got a free kick, but it went wide. Another chance went wide. Charlie took a long shot that went wide in overtime, and the clock ran out with a 3-2 score to Thunder.

Coach Gary was proud of the way we fought to get back in the game and said it was great to see the passion out on the pitch. Stirling got 2 great goals, Oliver L had a great second half, Hugo has really stepped up the last 2 weeks, Chas and Ethan had good games, Alex made first goal happen, Jack stepped up, William stepped up, the whole team has really stepped up this year. We are all very proud of the team.

POD went to Michael who shut down a good player, and Jack for a strong first half.

The Wyverns also took out Runner Up in the Championship League, so took home 2 medallions for their efforts this season, with Stirling Wolfe-Kermode coming equal first for Fairest and Best in our Division.



U15 Championship Wyverns



U15 Premiership Marroners

U15 Premiership Marroners also took out second place in the League in their Division, and Ryder Gillick won the league Fairest and Best.

Very good effort for first time Coach Kris Gillick!



We also had two U13's up for Fairest and Best in their Division in Alex Ralston and Kai Hillier who were unfortunately pipped at the post, but did well to get in the top 5!

The Rockets also had a cracker of a year with their first introduction to FIFA rules and Cup Games. Well done to Coach Matt and the team.

Congratulations to all the FMR teams! It's been a big year and you've all done us proud.

Thanks to Leeuwin Naturaliste Junior Soccer Association for another great year, and for Capel Wolves for hosting the finals - congratulations on your 20th anniversary!

Rockets and Wyverns - FIFA Cup Runners Up

