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The **Officer Kangaroos Junior Football Club** is pleased to announce its partnership agreement with **Dynamic Footy Skills** and introduce the programs we will be providing for our players and coaches for season 2018 and beyond.

We will be the first club in the district to provide such a program which is designed to help further develop our players, coaches and volunteers. It is open to all players in competitive age groups (U11-U17) **providing you have registered with the club for the 2018 season.**

About Dynamic Footy Skills

DFS is an accredited organisation that is dedicated to helping young athletes of all ages and abilities to reach their full potential on and off the football field. Their elite coaches and proven programs give determined young footballers the knowledge and support to help develop all areas of their game.

There are four key parts to our partnership with DFS, they are:

- **Officer Kangaroos Junior Football Academy (OKJFA)**
- **Coaches Support Program**
- **Team Development Sessions**
- **Scholarships**

Officer Kangaroos Junior Football Academy

We have created the Junior Football Academy which will be a program that will mirror the DFS designed and delivered program to the North Melbourne Football Club Junior Academy.

Our Academy will be made **available to all 2018 registered players** (a deposit or full fees must be paid) by 31 December 2018.

The Academy commences in **February 2018** and is delivered across four x 1.5 hours sessions per group to be held at **Heatherbrae Reserve** (the exact dates and times will announced as soon as possible).

Players will be split into age group squads (competitive age groups only, U11-U17), lead by a DFS head coach with assistance from OKJFC coaching staff. All participating OKJFC players will be invited to attend a DFS Athletic Testing session. The session will be run at an external venue to be confirmed.

Coaches Support Program

For our coaches, this program is designed to provide coaches, assistants and helpers with modern skills, drills and tips to work with and development players of all abilities. The sessions will consist of:

- Two oral presentations (total 1.5 hours);
- Two practical sessions on ground (total 2.5 hours) - which includes a full team from OKJFC completing a series of game-sense drills run by DFS coaches in conjunction with OKJFC coaches.

There will be monthly in season mentoring via DFS online platform.

Team Development Sessions

Each age group will have a DFS Head Coach attend one training session to assist and run the session with the OKJFC coaching staff. The session will act as a PD session for the coaches following up on the Coach Support program. The DFS coach will review and provide feedback to the team coach post the session.

Scholarships

Four scholarships will be made available to players to attend DFS external programs. These will be announced into 2018.

Term of the Agreement

This program will run for three years, for our competitive age groups only (U11 to U17). Players registering for Under 9's in 2018 will be eligible for the program in 2020.

Uniform

All players will be supplied with their own Academy training shirt by the club which must be worn. The shorts will carry their squads unique name. We would recommend that players wear their OKJFC footy shorts, socks and runners to the Academy sessions. As it is run in February, a hat is permitted and sunscreen a must.

Squad Names

We have decided to name the Academy Squads after families from the Rythdale-Cardinia, Officer & Rythdale-Officer-Cardinia (ROC) [now the Officer SFC] Football Clubs. We believe it is important to honour the past that provide links to the present and build for the future.

Some of the names you will recognise, some you may not. While we have a featured member of the family; the squad will represent the entire contribution of that family to our history. There is a short bio below with a little more detail on our website www.okjfc.com.au

The squads are: Under 11 (Snooks), Under 12 (Pipicelli), Under 13 (Gilbert), Under 14 (Porter), Under 15 (Tivendale), Under 17 (Moylan), Under 12 Girls (Quinn).

Further information and FAQ's

Announcements around commencement dates, training locations, etc can be found on the club website www.okjfc.com.au plus there will be regular posts on the club's parents Facebook group plus supporting emails will be sent to parents from the Club Secretary.

To check your registration status, direct your enquiry to Kate Bailey at registrar@okjfc.com.

To ask for further information about the program contact Club President Chris Byrne on 0414 455 388 or email president@okjfc.com.au



Officer Kangaroos JFC Academy Squad Bio's

UNDER 11: Snooks Squad: Wayne Snooks is a Cardinia local and commenced his football career with Rythdale-Cardinia juniors. He graduated to the Rythdale-Cardinia seniors in 1975 then moved across to ROC playing 257 senior games and is a ROC FC Life Member. Wayne married Verlinda who played many seasons of netball at ROC. Their two children Jenni played netball at ROC and brother Brad, played ROC juniors and recently returned to play several games in the reserves. Brad's son Brodie currently plays with the OKJFC and will be in the Under 12's in 2018.

UNDER 12: Pipicelli Squad: Pat Pipicelli has been involved with ROC since his children commenced sport at Officer in the late seventies. Pat has been a junior team manager, volunteer, committee member, selector, grounds person at Starling Rd and is a ROC Life Member. Pat and Jeanette (dec) have six children - sons Dean, Troy and Brad all played ROC juniors and seniors and daughters Liza, Tracey & Tara all played ROC netball. The girls partners Les Hawkins, Rob Young and Marc Bressan all played football at ROC.

UNDER 13: Gilbert Squad: Kevin Gilbert (dec) is an Officer and ROC football club stalwart. He is the club's longest serving secretary (1984-97), been a team manager, property steward and committee member. Kevin started playing football around 1954 and played in the Officer 1961 premiership team. Kevin's wife Margaret worked in the canteen and washed footy jumpers for years. Kevin and Marg's children Andrew & Darren played all their juniors and senior football at ROC. Andrew (and wife Gillian's) son's Blake and Austin played with the OKJFC then moved to the ROC seniors. Kevin's mum Evie was a long time club volunteer (canteen) and even in her much later years would attend all the ROC home games and could be heard cheering the boys on from her car parked next to the home coaches box.

UNDER 14: Porter Squad: Geoff "Potsie" Porter started playing football in the ROC juniors then played 217 senior games. Geoff has worked tirelessly around the rec reserve for 35 years and has coached and been committee member of the OKJFC. He was recently awarded a ROC FC Life Membership. Wife Jayne played netball for ROC, was a coach and committee member. Geoff and Jayne's sons Lachlan and Callum played OKJFC juniors with Callum playing at Gippsland Power and was drafted by the Western Bulldogs in November 2017. Geoff's father Rob is a decorated Officer player and has looked after the Officer Rec Reserve as a volunteer for more than fifty years. Rob is married to Carol (nee Gilbert) who was involved in the ladies auxiliary (canteen) and is a ROC FC Life Member. Youngest son of Rob & Carol, Gavin played through ROC juniors. Both of Geoff and Gavin's grandparents had involvements at the club in (James (Jim) Porter Father of Rob) and Clive Gilbert (Father of Carol) was Officer FC secretary and served as timekeeper for many years right up into his seventies.



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UNDER 15: Tivendale Squad: The name Tivendale is synonymous with the township of Officer. To connect the two modern day families that we know today, we have to start back with James & Catherine Tivendale (married 1877). They had two sons George and William.

John Tivendale is one of George Tivendale's grandsons. John played in the Officer under 17's at 12 years of age and moved to senior football in his late teens winning many club awards. He retired in 1975 and is a ROC Life Member. John married Tina a ROC netball legend and all of their children (Kelly, Greg, Ben & Amy) have all played football and netball at ROC. John's brother Malcolm's (dec) sons Grant and Ashley played for ROC as well. Grant is the only ROC player in club history to play in U15 (1983), U17 (1985), reserves (1989) and senior (1995) premierships.

Ian (Sam), Michael, Neil, Gary (Cheeky), Doug (Fred) & Barry (Pud) Tivendale are William Tivendale's grandsons. Sam's daughter Kylie played ROC netball, was a committee member and netball LM. **Gary Tivendale** played over 150 games including a club senior B&F (1986) married Di and their children Jake, Mitch and Bronte played football (and netball) at ROC.

UNDER 17: Moylan Squad; Brothers Michael and Aaron are products of the ROC Juniors commencing in the U15's at an early age. Mick played 306 games, is a club Best & Fairest (2000), club captain and triple premiership player 1995, 1996 & 2002. Aaron made his senior debut at 15 years of age (1994), played 145 games, winning a club Best and Fairest (1998) and a multiple premiership player 1994 (reserves), 1995, 1996, 2002 (seniors). Aaron was a rugged inside player that had no fear and was often seen as a third man up at boundary throw ins to give his team mates first use of the ball.

GIRLS UNDER 12: Quinn Squad: Maryanne Quinn has worked tirelessly for both the junior and senior football clubs for many years, Maryanne can be found in the canteen on match days or cooking meals for players on Thursday nights (footy and cricket). Recently Maryanne was awarded a ROC FC life membership. The Quinn boys (Kevin, Peter, Brendan, James) and girls (Sarah, Laura, Meagan & Katie) have all had an involvement with football and netball at ROC, with Laura currently ROC Netball President.

