# Officer Kangaroo Junior Football Club 2018 Press Reports W/E 15/04/ 2018

**Premier White** 

Div: 2

Officer White V Cranbourne Blue

Officer White 10-22-82 def Cranbourne Blue 1-4-10

**Best Players:** Great Team Effort

Goal Kickers: B Henderson 3, T Ostrom 1, N De Lorenzo 2, C Wright 2, B Callaghan Height 2

### Awards: J. Cant, B. Henderson, L. Maney

The first round of footy in 2018 saw Melbourne put on traditional football weather. In slippery conditions the new look under 17's came up against Cranbourne Blue.

Working hard for each other the boys opened a handy break in the first quarter and with plenty of fresh legs coming off the bench for the remainder of the game the boys built on this running out winners by 72 points.

Great opening game Roo boys.

Under 14 Div: Red

Cranbourne Blue V Officer Blue

Officer 6-21-57 DEF Cranbourne 4-4-28

Awards: J Orgill, S Horghton, J Sullivan, K McMinimee

Goal Kickers: T Webster 2, K McMinimee, K Reid-Bradley, R Mibus, K Seing.

In wet windy conditions Officer headed to Cranbourne to start their 2018 season in Division 1. With a steely looking their eyes, the boys were keen to start this season where they left off last season. From the start Officer's midfielders dominated, feeding their forwards in the best way they could considering the conditions, the opposition back men really had their hands full. When the ball went to Officers defense end, the back men stood strong. Officers wingers provided plenty of run, spearing the ball forward to create options. A great team effort and a terrific springboard for the rest of the season.

**Under 13 Blue Div: White** 

Officer V Berwick North

Berwick North 11-16-82 DEF Officer Blue0-1-1

Best Players: J Adams, J Liddle, T Canute, B Samymuthu

A challenging day for the boys today. Officer have implemented some new structures at training and the boys are responding well to their new roles. One of the main focuses for the day was tackling and the boys are to be commended on their efforts.

Under 12 Blue Div: Blue

Officer Blue V Fountain Gate

Fountain gate 2-4-16 DEF Officer 1-3-9.

Goal: J Trembath 1

On a cold and windy day the players did well in a hard fought game they just couldn't get back in front after half time to just go down by 7 points.

Under 12 White Div: Blue

Officer White vs Nar Nar Goon

Officer White 4-1-25 DEF Nar Nar Goon 3-0-18

**Goal Kicker:** J Van Den Berghe 4 **Best Players:** The whole team

Awards: A D'Amelio, J Van Den Berghe, L Watson, M Beard

The weather was a true welcoming to Round 1 football. The rain was on and off, mainly on which tested all players in coming back from the break. A slippery ball made the contest difficult, but a huge credit goes out to all of Officer U12 White players who played hard, stayed focused and played as a team to take home the win. Great start to the season.

## Under 12 Girls Officer vs Pakenham

Pakenham 2-4-26 DEF Officer 0-1-1

Well what a fantastic first game as a team for the U12 Roo girls today against Pakenham who played great. Weather conditions were tough to say the least with rain and cold winds at Officers home ground but this did not dampen the spirits of the girls.

The girls went in hard for the ball and made some great tackles and chased the ball down in all 4 quarters In the last quarter the Roo Girls kept Pakenham scoreless and achieved their first point. Great start to the season!

Under 11 Blue Div: Red

Officer Blue Vs Cranbourne Blue

Cranbourne Blue 3-1-19 Def Officer Blue 2-1-13

Goal kickers: B Carkeek & C Lucas

**Notable Mentions:** B Atcheson & T De Jong **Awards:** J Taylor, T Sankey & T Burke

A closely fought battle played out in atrocious conditions. Officer's back line performed extremely well in defense.

Congratulations to M. Rees and M. Williamson as being appointed captain and vice-captain.

**Under 11 White** 

Div: Blue

Officer White vs Cranbourne Gold

Officer White 8-18-66 Def Cranbourne 0-0-0

Best Players: A Barrett, H Scott, R Cachia, M Smith, J Collins, H Clausen.

Goal Kickers: H Clausen 3, R Cachia, M Smith, D Smith, J Byrne & R Yeates 1ea

Awards: N Kors, A Barrett, R Yeates

Kicked off the season in wet conditions and in a higher division with a fantastic game, all players well on top in every position. The attack on the ball, shepherding and tackling will be a point of difference for the Team throughout the season. Well done all.

**Under: 10 Blue** 

Div: Blue

Game 1: Officer Blue Vs Cranbourne Gold Game 2: Endeavour Hills Vs Officer Blue

Goal Kickers: R McKie, J Murray, N Reilly

Awards: B Thomas & C Gallahar.

#### Officer U10 Little Demons Day.

On a wet and windy day, Officer Blue played Cranbourne Gold and Endeavour Hills. During the first game, the team was outplayed, by a team more switched on and adapted to the conditions than Officer. Missed tackles, a lack of run and a lack of support for team mates was the stand out reason behind the team's lacklustre performance.

The second game was in complete contrast to the first. Players were shuffled around for better team balance and after a bit of a rev up, the team came out firing! Every player played their position and after an even first half, the team ran away with a comfortable win. Still a lot to work on, but overall the coaches were pleased with the team's first hit out.

**Under 10 White** 

Div: Red

Officer White V Cranbourne Blue

Today was a great day at Little Demons day for officer U10 White.

All the boys came out to play, in wet conditions and on tiny grounds. The boys played a great brand of footy and with such small groups, hand balls and packs were the way the games played and Officer boys where great.

A few new boys joined this side this year and really stood up and had great game blending in seamlessly with the rest of the team

Well done boys, great start to your season

**Under 10 Black Div: White** 

Officer Black v Parkmore

Goal kickers: B.Godden, R.Conlan, H.Tivendale, E.Moylan

Awards: E.Temba, H.Tivendale, H.Woods

In true footy conditions the team came up against an undermanned Parkmore for their first game of the day. In Roo spirit 6 of our players donned the opposition guernseys to even up the sides. A great start to the season, the boys are already showing some great team spirit.

#### Officer Black v Noble Park

Goal Kickers: E.Temba

Awards: B.Godden, A.Simmons, A.Shallcross

A competitive and physical 2nd game with some ripper marks and tackles, great team work all round particularly in the forward line, well done today Roo boys.

**Under 9 White** 

Div: Red

Officer White V Cranbourne Blue

Best Players: Team Effort

Goal Kickers: K Shipway 2, I Martin 1

Under 9 White headed to Casey Fields for Little Demons Day. The players were greeted with light rain which developed into driving rain come game time. All the boys and girls tacked really well, which was pleasing to see.

Officers second game was cancelled due to the weather.

Great start to an exciting year. Well Done!

Under 9 Black Div: Blue Little Demons Day Officer Black v Noble Park

Captains: M Millar, T Purcell & B Simpson

The boys were extremely brave running out their game in difficult conditions today. It was pleasing to see new players J Beetge, E Cordy, M Millar & W O'Connor join the team. Early pressure and tackling was the highlight and Officer are looking forward to a great season ahead. The boys kept warm with a pre-game 'Floss Dance' that entertained the crowd.

Under 8 White Div: Blue

Best Players: C Rossborough, C Woodward & E Paulet

Well after 5 weeks of training the team finally had their first game at the little Demons day at Casey Fields.

The weather wasn't the greatest, however the kids still took the field. Unfortunately, it wasn't a great start because when the first siren went, Officer were without an opponent. The kids however were itching to play, so they were split them into two teams and they had a scratch match against each other. This went well, when it finished everyone was soaking wet but the boys enjoyed the run.

#### Officer White V Berwick White

An hour later the team finally got their chance to battle it out with another team in Berwick White. It was a great contest with the boys giving it their all. Watching them play it was good to see some of the things they've been doing at training coming out in the game.

Under 8 Black Div: White Officer Black V Nar Nar Goon

Awards: A Thomas, J Marum and L Siriwardene

What a start to the team's first game of their football career at Little Demons Day! It was a tough start with rain throughout the game. Such an outstanding effort by all the players, they were soaked through, cold, and the only game on the field that played through until the end. They should be proud of themselves – All parents and friends are super proud.

Go Team Roos Black!

Under 8 Blue Div: Red

Officer Blue V Cranbourne

Goal Kickers: Z Baxter, M El Hayek, C Hooper, N Kelly, A Whelan

Today was the first official game of footy for the Officer kids and gee was it a memorable one!!!

Officer players travelled to Casey Fields for Little Demons Day where they played Cranbourne.

The kids were super excited to be there despite the wind and rain working against them.

The first half saw the players adjusting to the zone restrictions. In the second half the players displayed some of the skills they have been developing at training over the past few weeks.

The ball was really shared around and although soaked to the bone, the kids were still smiling. Well done to everyone!

Officer's second game against Berwick Springs was called off.