Officer Kangaroo Junior Football Club 2018 Press Reports W/E 01/07/ 2018

Premier White

Div: 2

Officer V Beaconsfield Gold

Beaconsfield Gold 7-8-50 Def Officer 4-11-35

Best Players: Whole Team

Goals: B Abson 1, R Clark 1, T Ostrom 1, D Baric 1

Awards: B Hendersob, R Clark, B Abson, J Leeson, C Wright, B Callaghan Height, J Cant

This week the under 17's were away against Beaconsfield Gold.

In a much-improved effort the Roo boys put a hard-fought contest this week. Despite leading at the first break, a lapse in effort and concentration in the second saw Beaconsfield's break away to a 3-goal lead which in the end the boys were not able to claw back. In the end Officer going down to Beaconsfield by 15 points.

Much improved and a competitive effort this week.

Well done

Under 14 Div: Red

Officer Blue V Narre Warren Black

Officer Blue 9-15-69 Def Narre Warren Black 6-10-46

Awards: H Allen, J Becker, K Seing, J Campbell

Goal Kickers: K Seing 3, B Myers, R Mibus, K Reid-Bradley, R Perkins, T Webster, J Campbell.

The first quarter got off to a shaky, inaccurate start but the backline held strong as they figured out how to get the edge over their opponents. The boys started to find their confidence in the second, getting the lead by winning more centre clearances and shutting done the oppositions skilled forward line. The on-ballers & wings stepped up their running game in the third, passing the ball with confidence and feeding Officer's high marking forwards well. After the final change, the belief in each other continued to show. The teams work-rate stayed high, and they finished off the game knowing that they had put in a great 4 quarter effort. Great game Rooboys!

Under 13 Blue Div: White RVE

Under 12 Blue Div: Blue BYE

Under 12 White Div: Blue

Officer White V Berwick Blue

Officer White 10-9-69 Def Berwick Blue 1-0-6

Best Players: Whole Team

Goal Kickers: H Canning 2, B Casbolt 2, A McKenzie 2, Z Godden 4

Awards: Whole Team

It was an absolute perfect day for a great game of Footy and Officer White produced an awesome game of footy. The first goal went to the opposition and that was their only goal for the day as Officer brought their winning game to kick 10 goals 9. The game was played on Officers terms in winning the ball from the middle and kept pushing forward all day to capitalise on the scoreboard. The team played as a team with every player contributing to the win, and once back in the change room the song was sung loud and clear with absolute passion. Go Roos!

Under 12 Girls Div: Girls BYE

Under 11 Blue Div: Red Officer Blue V Berwick White Officer 1-3-9 Def by Berwick White 1-6-12

Goals: N. Hathaway

Best: A De La Rue, T Burke, M Rees, J Taylor, C Liddle L Greenshields, **Awards:** M Rees, L Greenshields, R Richards, T Burke, J Taylor, A De La Rue

The boys were greeted today by a beautiful day at the Roo paddock. The team finally got off to a good start with some fantastic passages of good play. The boys continually went forward throughout the first quarter, without getting rewarded on the scoreboard. The second quarter saw more of the same, with the boys continually going into attack but still not being able to score goals. The third quarter saw the team score a much-needed goal. With Officers defence and midfield well on top. The boys went into three quarter time just behind. The last quarter was a battle of the back lines with both sides running the ball out of their defence, only to see it come straight back in. At the final siren The Roo boys fell just short. It was a great game of football today that showed how far Officer has come as a team, it was unlucky not being rewarded with a win.

Amazing team effort!

Congratulations to Officers' Captain, Macca on his 50th game - leading from the front as always.

Under 11 White
Div: Blue
Officer White V Cranbourne
Officer White 8-4-52 Def Cranbourne 3-6-24

Best Players: J Wierzbicki, N Kors, R Cachia, T Justus, Z Claxton **Goal Kickers:** Z Claxton, M Smith, L Chase, R Yeates, J Watt **Awards:** B Hobson, T Kelly, M Heathershaw, J Wierzbicki

After coming away with wins in the last two weeks against sides 2nd and 3rd on the ladder, Officer was again up against a top four team, in fourth placed Cranbourne. With Cranbourne needing a win to consolidate 4th position, Officer went into the game keen to have defeated all teams in their division and stamp their authority on top of the ladder.

Officer controlled the play in the first quarter, though were not able to get the rewards with only one goal scored while keeping Cranbourne goalless. In the second quarter, Cranbourne turned the tables with a one goal to nil second quarter, Officer had their chances with four behinds.

In the third term Officer was able to capitalise kicking to the scoring end with another one goal to nil quarter, taking a 10-point lead into three quarter time, however, Cranbourne were looking dangerous and kicking to the scoring end of the ground for the final term.

The three-quarter time address from the Officer Coach must have been some stirring stuff, willing his players to think of the promise they had made to each other and willing his players to be the difference to ensure they come out on top.

Officer started well in the final term with an early goal, only for it to be answered by Cranbourne, kicking to the scoring end and gaining confidence. The Officer players dug deep, finding that little something to kick another two goals, their three goals for the quarter, the only goals at the non-scoring end for the game. Officer coming out 21-point winners and celebrating J Wierzbicki's 50th game with a win and singing the song.



Officer U10 Blue Div: White Officer Blue V Parkmore

Captain: C Gallahar Vice-Captain: J Williams

Awards: R Watson, T Salter, R McKie

Encouragement awards: K McLaren, J Wilson, J Murray, A Kang.

Goals: J Smith, R Warne (5), R Watson (5)

On a ripper day for football, the Roo boys came ready to play from the first bounce. The first quarter saw them dominate through the midfield which gave the forwards plenty of the footy and they didn't waste it kicking some really nice goals.

The 2nd quarter effort matched the 1st as again the Roos ran and linked up with handballs and kicking to team mates in better position. Apart from a small lapse in concentration late in the 3rd quarter the effort from the entire team over the full game was tremendous.

It really is pleasing to watch these kids continue to grow and develop into a team which is what they are- a team. Go Roo boys.

Under 10 White

Div: Red

Officer White V Pakenham Maroon

Goals: B Rowlands, B Klenner, F Kneen, N Williams, R Mollison, S Cartee, W Sharlott

Awards: R Mollison, K Boi, B Greenshields, O Dyer, S Carter, M Bianchin, T Royakkers, B Klenner

Best Players: F Kneen, B Rowlands

In what was one of the best games of the season so far, both sides really came out to play and the first half was a low scoring and a really hard contest. In the 3rd the boys really hit their stride, zoning off and coming away with great hard ball gets, taking some strong marks, switching and opening up the ground, kicking 5 goals in the last for a great finish. The song was sung with Gutso!!

Another great game by all!!!!

Go Roo's

Under 10 Black Div: Blue

Officer Black V Berwick Springs Green

Captains: E. Moylan, L. Clark

Awards: E. Moylan, A. Simmons, L. Clark, R. Knox, A. Shallcross

Playing at home in sunny conditions with a bit of a breeze, the Roo Boys came out strong. Playing their positions well and going in hard for the ball, keeping the opposition scoreless for the first quarter, the boys had another great second quarter. However, the opposition had ramped up and the game was well and truly on. The third quarter saw the boys lacking in concentration and manning up but they bounced back in the fourth after a bit of a rev up and finished off the game really well.

Under 9 White

Div: Red

Officer White V Narre Warren

Goal Kickers: K. Shipway, C. Hobson, A. Mills-Smith, S. McDonald, L. Bramley, J. Major, H. Rees **Best Players:** T. Maunder, J. Yeats, A. Mills-Smith, O. Grassham & B. Larter

Officer White played away against Narre Warren in beautiful sunshine. The kids started really well moving the ball by hand and foot, which resulted in the ball being in Officers forward line for the majority of the first half. Again, the tackling and chasing was great to watch. After half-time Narre Warren came out to play, moving the ball really well from the backline to the forward line. Well done to the kids who played for Narre, great sportsmanship and it was acknowledged by Narre how well the Roo kids performed when playing for them. Well done, enjoy the week off and keep working on those skills over the holidays.

Under 9 Black Div: Blue

Officer Black V Lyndhurst Orange

Captains: E Hambridge, C McCallum, J Hall

Best Players: T Purcell, B De Maio, L Ramic, K Baxter, W Perrin

Goal Kickers: W Perrin 4, K Baxter 3, R Allen, B De Maio, T Purcell & L Ramic 1 ea.

Awards: T Purcell, B De Maio, W O 'Connor, K Baxter, O Bailey, L Crewes

Today the boys flicked the TEAMWORK switch and resulted in the best team game the boys have played

all year. The Coaches were pleased with the effort and ability to apply 2nd Half scoreboard pressure with everyone running out the entire game. The Roo boys looked and hit targets all game. K Baxter enjoyed kicking a few today after many games spending time down back & in the middle. W Perrin enjoyed his day out kicking a bag, including a Goal of the Year contender from the boundary line. Special mention to B De Maio with many clearing handballs producing goals for his teammates and was his best game for the season. T Purcell didn't stop running all game and his tackle count was off the chart. Enjoy the holidays!

Under 8 White Div: Blue

Officer White V Lyndhurst Blue

Well done on a great show of football today! Lots of smiles and improvement week after week!

Under 8 Black Div: Blue

Officer V Narre North Foxes Grey

Goal Kickers: A Thomas, L Mclaren, J Lovell, J Dorey, W Andrews, J Marrum

Awards: O Latour, J White, A Thomas, J Lovell, L Ramage, I Hitchings, Z West, C Fitzpatrick.

The sun was out for Officer's home game against Narre North Foxes Grey.

The boys played an awesome four quarters of footy today, with some real classy finishing around goals.

It's great to see a number of players stepping up to become strong leaders in the team.

Defensively Officer gave them nothing, shutting them down all over the ground.

The Roo Boys continue to improve every week, and it's a real pleasure to watch!!

Each player demonstrated they had been listening to the coach – and the outcome reflected that.

Well played RooBoys!!!!

Under 8 Blue Div: Red

Officer Blue V Berwick Blue

Goal Kickers: C Alcock, M El Hayek, M Boi, A Kane, N Kelly, R Papworth, J Plunkett, T Royakkers, A

Whelan

Awards: C Alcock, Z Baxter, A Kane, M Walton

Officer Blue played at home today against Berwick Blue.

Berwick were good competition for the players and at half time there was only a kick between the sides. During the main break, Officers coaches addressed the players asking them to slow down the play and make better decisions when in possession of the ball.

They executed these instructions perfectly, came out firing and ran away with the game.

The players marking abilities was a highlight of the day – everyone seems to have really improved in this area.

Keep up the great team work Go Blue Roos!