

# **Officer Kangaroo Junior Football Club**

## **2019 Press Reports W/E 07/04/2019**

### **Under 17**

No Game, league not created fixture due to merging South East Juniors and Frankston District Under 17 competitions

**Next game Sunday 28 April, 2.40pm - vs Langwarrin (Away)**

### **Under 15**

**Div: Red (1)**

**Officer v Beaconsfield**

**Beaconsfield 16-14-110 def Officer 2-2-14**

**Goals:** R Mibus 1 R Potter 1

**Awards:** R Perkins, R Mibus, J James, L Mark, J Adams, J Morris-Burney, X Shinnars, D Toner.

Officer knew Round one up against the defending premiers was going to be tough with numbers depleted due to injury. In a great opening quarter, The Rooboy's rallied well early getting the first score of the day and kept in touch for the quarter. Good pressure and contested ball in the second ran us dry and with limited rotations the Roos ran out of legs. Beaconsfield put together a controlled, measured game on a warm autumn day to take the win. Looking forward to meeting again with a full side.

**Next game Sunday 28 April, 11.30am - vs Cranbourne @ Home**

### **Under 14**

**Div: Girls**

**Officer v Narre South Lions**

**Narre South Lions forfeited to Officer**

Due to lack of numbers on the Narre South side the game was a forfeit. The teams decided to play a practice match and in a show of great sportsmanship the Officer girls helped out the opposition so that they were evened up and could play a fair game. Even though the game was for fun and development the officer girls had a great game and showed their skills. Great effort this week Roo Girls.

**Next game Sunday 28 April, 3.00pm - vs Berwick White (Away)**

### **Under 14**

**Div: Blue (2)**

**Officer v Noble Park**

**Noble Park 10-25-85 def Officer 4-2-26**

**Goals:** J Adams, J Fowler, T Canute, R Wierzbicki

**Best:** R Wierzbicki, D Fishley, J Liddle, J Smith

Round 1 the players had windy conditions and Noble Park had a great start with the first goal of game in under 1 minute. The Officer players felt the pressure and fumbled the ball too much. Officer captain, Douglas worked hard all day, while Ruckman Riley was getting his hands on the ball first in the Ruck but Officer still struggled with the clearances.

The team know what they need to do to improve on today's performance.

**Next game Sunday 28 April, 2.30pm - vs Endeavour Hills (Away)**

**Under 13 White**

**Div: Blue (2)**

**Officer White v Pakenham Blue**

**Pakenham Blue 6-5-41 def Officer White 6-4-40**

**Goals:** Z Godden 2, H Davidson 1, H Fendyk 1, LNoone 1, T Richards 1

**Best:** Team Effort

**Awards:** Z Godden, T Richards, L Noone

**Comment:** A beautiful sunny day for the season opener but did have the wind blowing through making a difference. Officer started the 1<sup>st</sup> qtr kicking 2,2 and keeping the opposition scoreless. Then Pakenham used the wind to their advantage cleverly to take the lead into half time. Officer turned it around in the 3<sup>rd</sup> qtr using the wind to get back in front and also have Liam kicking his 1<sup>st</sup> goal in only his 2<sup>nd</sup> game of footy, and his team mates got around him to celebrate with joy. The last qtr was a tight fighting game right to the final siren to have Pakenham win by a point. It was a traditional great game of footy for round 1.

**Next game Sunday 28 April, 1.00pm - vs Tooradin (Away)**

**Under 13 Blue**

**Div: Blue (2)**

**Officer Blue v Cora Lynn**

**Cora Lynn 5-5-35 def Officer Blue 2-4-16**

**Goals:** D Sheean 1, T Astle 1

**Best:** Team Effort

On a Windy day with the wind favouring one end the opposition were able to take their chances early on. Breaking away with an early lead in the second quarter, Officer were unable to use the wind to advantage. In the 3<sup>rd</sup> term Officer worked hard to defend. Coming into the last quarter Officer Blue had a lot of the ball but didn't take their chances. With no games over the next two weeks the team will be working hard to improve their skills for the season ahead

**Next game Sunday 28 April, 1.30pm - vs Berwick North (Away - Carlisle Park ground)**

**Under 12 Blue**

**Div: Red (1)**

**Officer Blue v Officer White**

**Officer Blue 4-5-29 def Officer White 2-4-16**

**Goals:** B Atcheson, A De La Rue, B Carkeek, L Pettiford  
**Best:** B Atcheson, A De La Rue, L Greenshields, F Brugeaud  
**Awards:** B Atcheson, A De La Rue, L Greenshields, F Brugeaud  
**Today's Captain:** M. Williamson

A great start for the Officer Blue boys in a very competitive game against Officer White. The boys played out a terrific four quarter effort, cracking in hard to get first hands on the footy and then using their teammates to get the ball out in space and run hard with the footy. Officer Blue kept to their team structures all day to record a great win, one in which all boys contributed, a great team effort!!

Congratulations to Max Williamson on his 50th Game

**Next game Sunday 28 April, 11.30am - vs Beaconsfield Gold (Away)**

## **Under 12**

**Div: 1 Girls**

**Officer Blue v Pakenham Maroon**

**Officer 6-9-45 def Pakenham 2-2-14**

**Goals:** M Reimers 3, A Benson 1, S Elliot 1, M Johnson 1

**Best:** Whole Team Effort

**Awards:** S Walker, J Young, S Elliot, I Golotta

With the sun out, what a fantastic start to the season. From the first bounce you could feel the excitement, energy and nerves of the Under 12 Girls for their first game for 2019.

The girls put on a great display of teamwork, showing a great mix of new and existing players. Both Pakenham and Officer fighting hard against the strong wind. The teams needed to take advantage when kicking with the wind. In the end with outstanding team effort and goal scoring Officer Blue came home with a well earned win.

**Next game Sunday 28 April, 11.30am - vs Endeavour Hills Green (Away)**

## **Under 12 White**

**Div: Red (1)**

**Officer White Vs Officer Blue**

**Officer White 2-4-16 def by Officer Blue 4-5-29**

**Best:** A Barrett, J Wierzbicki, N Kors, J Honey, W Harding

**Goals:** J Wierzbicki, J Honey

**Awards:** A Barrett, J Byrne, W Harding, J Peterson, B Hobson

With a new year came a new team structure. The boys were asked to take on some new roles and they all stood up. The Officer White boys had a challenge on their hands in the first round up against a division one team from 2018. Kicking with the wind in the first quarter they struggled to capitalise with Officer Blue midfielders taking control. After an address at quarter time about playing accountable football the boys started the second quarter and

showed glimpses of what they can do with attacking football and some great tackles. With the wind behind us in the third quarter, the Roos had the majority of the play with the footy in their forward fifty for most of the term but couldn't convert on the scoreboard. The final quarter saw Officer Blue in control for the first ten minutes, kicking two goals. Officer White dug in deep and snatched a final goal of the game in the last few minutes of the quarter.

**Next game Sunday 28 April, 1.00pm - vs Berwick White @ Home**

### **Under 11 White**

**Div: Red (1)**

**Cranbourne Blue v Officer White**

**Officer White 8-12-61 def Cranbourne Blue 1-4-10**

**Best/Awards:** C Hoghton, N Williams, R El Hayek, F Kneen, J Williams

**Goals:** K Boi, B Klenner, F Kneen, B Pandy, B Rowlands, O Noonan

In the first game of the season the boys came out firing, with a solid brand of team football. Officer controlled play well and used lateral movement to advance the ball for many opportunities for the Officer forwards, while the back line was strong and held up in the 3rd for a small comeback by Cranbourne.

Officer put their foot down in the 4th to come away with an awesome win.

**Next game Sunday 28 April, 10.00am - vs Berwick Springs Blue (Away)**

### **Under 11 Blue**

**Div: White (3)**

**Hampton Park v Officer Blue**

**Officer 6-5-41 def Hampton Park 1-5-11**

**Goals:** J Smith 3, R Watson 2, C Lucas 1

**Best:** Team effort

**Awards:** J Smith, J Woodward, C Lucas, J Trewin

What a great start to the season. Officer Blue ventured away from home to play against Hampton Park. While it was a lovely sunny day, it was also very trying conditions.

The Rooboyes came eager and hungry to play the opening game of the season, from the first bounce the boys controlled the ball and dominated on the field, having a huge wind advantage also helped the boys putting more goals onto the score board. The back line did an amazing job, holding their lines tight and continual intercepts forcing the ball forward.

All in all, a great Team effort to all the boys in the team. A well-deserved win.

**Next game Sunday 28 April, 10.00am - vs Berwick North @ Home**

## **Under 10 Black**

**Div: Blue**

**Little Demon's Day**

**Game 1 v Officer Black v Noble Park**

**Game 2 Officer Black v Pakenham**

**Captains:** R Allen & B Simpson

**Best:** T Purcell, L Brown, C Belsham, K Baxter, W O'Connor

**Goals:** L Brown 2, W O'Connor 2, K Baxter 1, W Perrin 1

**Awards:** B Simpson, L Brown, A Shallcross, R Jones, C Samaras, R Allen

The boys were certainly excited to get back together for Little Demons Day and certainly was a better day for playing Football compared with last year. They came up against Noble Park & Pakenham and both games were a tight contest. The Officer boys early on were second to the contest but after the first break came out with more aggression to the ball and better teamwork. Special mention to T Purcell that worked extremely hard in both games applying great pressure and being rewarded with great tackles. L Brown provided a great option up forward using his pace to kick two great goals. The Officer boys will certainly look forward to bigger grounds this season. Enjoy the School Holidays and Easter break!

**Next game Sunday 28 April, 11.45am - vs Berwick Springs Green @ Home**

## **Under 10 White**

**Div: Red**

**Little Demons Day**

**Game 1 Officer White v Cranbourne Blue**

**Best:** L Bramley, J Yeats, S McDonald, G Barrett, S Barron

**Game 2 Officer White v Narre South Lions**

**Best:** X Fisher, O Byrne, O Grassham, J Major, J Buckland

Footy's Back! The kids were excited to be back playing after a solid month of training and they started well against Cranbourne Blue. In warm conditions the boys battled hard against a bigger Cranbourne team. There were some good passages of play but some areas of the boy's game that needs to improve. Well done to Connor, Harry, James & Thomas who played for Cranbourne.

In the second game the boys played Narre South Lions. There was a big emphasis from the coaches to run and handball in order to play as a team. The boys started really well handballing to each other rather than kicking. The boys finished the game in great style. Well done to Jamie, Owen & Jet playing their first games for the club. Well done boys. Keep working on the skills and get to training.

**Next game Sunday 28 April, 10.30am - vs Berwick Blue @ Home**

## **SPECIAL MENTION**

### **Under 10 Girls**

Our Under 10 Girls didn't play on 7 April, as they were one of only 2 teams registered in the U10 Girls competition. To ensure they stay together, play footy and become future stars together, our girls have decided to take on the boys in the **Under 9 White Division**. Our all girls team will be called Officer Navy.

Let's all get behind our girls in an all boy division!

**Next game Sunday 28 April, 8.45am - vs Tooradin @ Home**

### **Under 9 Black**

**Div: White**

**Little Demons Day**

#### **Game 1 Officer Black v Berwick North**

**Goals:** ZMedwin, L Ramage

**Awards:** J Lovell, J Bishop, A Thomas, F Grange, I Hitchings

#### **Game 2 Officer Black v Fountain Gate**

**Goals:** J Lovell, J Dorey

**Awards:** J Lovell, J Dorey, A Thomas, W Andrews, L McLaren

Well the sun was definitely shining for the first round at Little Demons Day. In the first game. the team attacked the ball and took on the tacklers with no fear. Officer outmatched the opposition and all the new boys to side stood up today and played their part.

The ball was in the Officer forward half for 90% of the time, the onballers controlled the game and the forward pressure was outstanding. Whilst Officer wasted a few scoring opportunities, their defence stood up well whenever ball went in.

In the second game, Officer's opposition had some big kids that laid some good tackles on the Rooboy. Once again no one took a backwards step. The Officer midfield competed well again with the forwards having plenty of opportunity to score. Once the boys learn to kick through the ball, will see them convert those behinds into goals. The backline stood up well, again, under a bit more pressure than the first game, and had a positive outcome.

The boys and parents should all be impressed by today's game.

**Next game Sunday 28 April, 8.45am - vs Fountain Gate @ Home**

### **Under 9 Blue**

**Div: Red**

**Little Demons Day**

#### **Game 1 Officer Blue v Cranbourne**

**Goals:** C Alcock, R Papworth, T Royakkers, J Sudweeks, A Whelan, C Williams

## **Game 2 Officer Blue v Narre Warren**

**Goals:** C Hooper, J Plunkett, T Royakkers, L Sheean, J Sudweeks, M Walton, A Whelan

Round 1 started with Little Demons Day at Casey Fields. The boys in the Officer under 9 Blue team were thrilled to make a start to 2019.

The first match was played against Cranbourne. The boys attack on the football was great. Sharing of the ball was evident and is a real standout in this young team.

Modified tackling has been introduced this season and the kids handled this wonderfully. It was apparent that these skills had been practiced at training in the pre-season.

Officer Blue then went on to play Narre Warren. Good sportsmanship was on display with some lending of players to the opposition side. By this time, the Rooboy's had well and truly warmed up, the midfield players dominated possession and allowed the forwards many opportunities. The smaller ground proved difficult for some of the bigger kicks, the bigger grounds in future weeks will suit them better. In general, the skills on display were clean and efficient. The future is looking bright for the under 9 Blue Roos.

**Next game Friday 26 April, 6.30pm - vs Beaconsfield Blue (Away)**

## **Under 9 White**

**Div: Blue**

**Little Demons Day**

### **Game 1 Officer White v Narre South Lions**

### **Game 2 Officer White v Pakenham Maroon**

In the first game Officer White played together as a team and the boys did really well, their teamwork was fantastic. Their teamwork carried through into the second game, where they increased their attack on the ball, Officer White played two awesome games impressing their coach who was very proud of their efforts.

**Next game Friday 26 April, 6.30pm - vs Beaconsfield Gold (Away)**

## **Under 8 Blue**

**Div: Blue**

**Little Demons Day**

### **Game 1 Officer Blue v Narre Warren Black**

### **Game 2 Officer Blue v Pakenham Blue**

Today the Roos played their first game of the season against Narre Warren Black in the beautiful sunshine at Casey Fields. It was a perfect day for football. The boys played very well as a team, sharing the ball around and loud calling out the names of their team mates. Then at 10.30, Officer went to the field again this time against Pakenham. The team surprised

all with how well they move and shared the ball around. The coaching group is very proud of these boys.

**Next game Sunday 28 April, 8.45am - vs Beaconsfield Gold (Away)**

**Under 8 White**

**Div: Red**

**Little Demons Day**

**Game 1 Officer v Cranbourne Blue**

**Goals:** K Heaton-Harris 2, O Main 1

**Game 2 Officer v Lyndhurst Blue**

**Goals:** N Carthy-Gill 2, A Williamson 1

There was a buzz of excitement in the air as Officer White took to the field for their first game in Under 8's. The weather did not disappoint and neither did the baby U8 Whites. Ollie dished the team's first goal and Kiran snagged another 2 in the second half. The midfield, back line and forwards played well together for their first hit out in not only their first game ever as well as being placed in Division 1. Well done to the kids from both sides as they played the game in the right spirit.

The second game on the day was meant with a huge wind that favoured Lyndhurst in the first half however, Noah kicked 2 late goals that drew us level with Lyndhurst going into the break. The second half was tight as well however, with Archie kicking his first goal. What shone through the most was the fun, happiness and sportsmanship that the Roos U8 White kids showed. They had a great start to their footy careers but more importantly they loved being around each other not only when playing but also in the break before the 2nd game. Go Roos.

**Next game Sunday 28 April, 8.45am - vs Beaconsfield Blue (Away)**