

THE ROO'S NEWS

The Newsletter of the Officer Kangaroos Junior Football Club

OFFICER



KANGAROOS
JUNIOR FOOTBALL CLUB

Round 1 is here!

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Welcome to season 2023

Welcome to the 2023 season. This year's first newsletter will be jam-packed with information for the season, there's something in here for every age group.

To all our players, whether returning or joining us for the first time, we wish you a great season. We'll do our best to ensure players love their football.

Our coaches will continue to develop themselves and our players.

Our Team Managers will work with you at games, via text and social media to keep you informed.

Our committee will work tirelessly to give our team officials the tools they need to make sure the year is successful, not about wins and losses, but about development and enjoyment, on and off the field.

In return, we ask you to support your coaches, team managers and our committee. Get involved with our events and if you have something to say, don't bottle it up, let us know via email or phone so we can have respectful conversations.



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The Pre-season

The pre-season has been done and dusted, and what a long one it was, with footy commitments still occurring every month since last year's grand finals.

In September we held our successful presentation days at Inflatable World, Kemizo and our home RG Porter Rooms. In October we held our AGM with planning for 2023 beginning.

November and December saw a number of players attend SEJ interleague sessions to enhance their skills and Dandenong Stingrays and Gippsland Power AFL pathway programs as part of their pre-season tryouts.

January was taken up confirming our Academy program which ran during February and March, leading into practice matches for our competitive age groups and Little Demons Day for our u8-10 teams. But everyone wants some more footy, so more practice matches were held in April before the school holidays, while some took a break, others were making final arrangements to ensure our kids can take the field.

Meanwhile, some players represented Casey and Melbourne Football Club in the Next Generation Academy matches, the Dandenong Stingrays and Gippsland Power in the opening rounds of the U16/U18 Coates talent league, and Vic Country in the U16 National Championships.



The 2023 season

This year we will be **fielding 26 teams**, the most the Officer Junior Football Club has fielded, and the most of any club in the South East Juniors for season 2023. It's an amazing effort and represents our development focus and club reputation. To be able to grow the club over the past 3 years is something special, that not many other clubs have been able to achieve.

2023 Teams

U8 - Blue, White, Black

U9 - Blue, White

U10 - Blue, White, Black, Girls

U11 - Blue, White, Black

U12 - Blue, White, Girls

U13 - Blue, White

U14 - Blue, White, Girls

U15- Blue, White

U16 - Boys, Girls

U17.5 - Boys

U19 - Girls

Fixturing

Fixtures are out for the first 4 rounds, which are the league grading rounds. After round 4, teams may be moved divisions accordingly.

Something new for this year, teams from Under 13s and up will play against teams in the South East Juniors and the Frankston District Juniors leagues, under the AFL South East competition banner. This will provide more competitive football and better development for all players in the region and has worked well in the U15s and up over the last 3 seasons.

2023 season

Some AFLSE, SEJ and Club rules/bylaws, you may not be aware of or have changed.

STOPPING AND RECOMMENCING TIME - The Timekeepers shall stop the clock which is used for the timing of a Match when directed to do so by a League Appointed Field Umpire (hand in the air and blows whistle).

CORRECT UNIFORM TO BE WORN - Full-length undergarments (items other than the playing jumper or shorts) may be worn

- temperature be below 10 degrees.
- Due to religious requirements
- The colour worn is required to be flesh colour or align with the team's colours.
- Short-sleeved or sleeveless undergarments are acceptable providing they are not visible.

INTERCHANGE BENCH - Extended to allow 8 players for all competitive age groups.

MATCH OFFICIALS - Sent off the ground or reported will incur a fine of up to \$500. The fine will be issued to the club and we will pass on to the match official to pay.

LEAGUE BEST & FAIREST - Will be awarded from U11 and up

REPORTED PLAYERS - A new matrix will determine the sanction available with a guilty plea (similar to AFL). The league can refer any incident directly to the tribunal. The club may issue a club-imposed sanction on top of any league sanction

WHAT HAS NOT CHANGED -

THE OFFICER JUNIOR FOOTBALL CLUB WILL NOT TOLERATE ABUSE TOWARDS UMPIRES OR PLAYERS AND WILL TAKE DISCIPLINARY ACTION AGAINST ANY PARENT/SPECTATORS

Our 2023 Coates Talent League Representatives

We've developed a lot of talented players over the years and its exciting our development focus is starting to be rewarded.



Kayla Dalglish (L) and **McKenna O'Reilly** (R) represented Australia over the Xmas/New Year in Europe and are part of the Dandenong Stingrays U18 squad. We'll only get to see them when they are not playing for the Stingrays. Kayla has started the season beautifully named in the best each game before injury. G



Molly Reimers was selected in the Dandenong Stingrays U16 Futures team, starred and went on to represent Vic Country, being named the Hero in their win over Vic Metro.

Jackson Honey was selected in the Gippsland Power U16's Futures team



RUN-THROUGH BANNERS

Milestone games are exciting times for players and families. When players are playing milestone games, parents are encouraged to organise banners and photos for their child's milestones.

The club can provide instructions, crepe paper, sticky tape, letter templates and poles if you want to make your own banner. These will be provided free of charge.

If you want to take up this offer, please email president@okjfc.com.au ideally 2 weeks before you need the banner, so we can arrange the materials and you have time to make it.

You can also have run-through banners made by private companies. We don't have any sponsorship arrangements with any, so Google Football Run Through Banners.

Families are responsible for the cost of banners made by private businesses.



ANZAC DAY @ OFFICER

The Officer & District Community Association
invites the Community to attend the

ANZAC DAY DAWN SERVICE

Tuesday 25 April 2023

Officer Recreation Reserve

Memorial Gates

5:45am for a 6:00am start

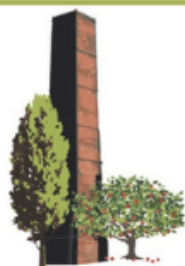


The service will be followed by a breakfast, tea and coffee
provided by the Officer Kangaroos Junior Football Club and the
Officer-Woorinyan (Upper Beac) CWA.

All members of the public are welcome.

Enter via Starling Rd.

Ample parking is available inside the Reserve.



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Let's get on with it!

ROUND 1 FIXTURE

Officer Recreation Reserve - EASTERN OVAL

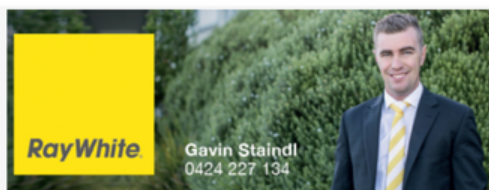
TIME	TEAM	OPPONENT	VENUE
8:45	Officer JFC U08 White	Cranbourne JFC U08 Mixed Blue	Officer Recreation Eastern Oval
8:45	Officer JFC U08 Black	Cranbourne JFC U08 Mixed Gold	Officer Recreation Eastern Oval
10:00	Officer JFC U08 Blue	Beaconsfield JFC U08 Mixed Gold	Officer Recreation Eastern Oval
10:00	Officer JFC U09 Blue	Officer JFC U09 Boys White	Officer Recreation Eastern Oval
11:20	Officer JFC U14 Blue	Carrum Patterson Lakes JFC U14 Boys	Officer Recreation Eastern Oval
12:40	Officer JFC U16 Boys	Edi-Asp JFC U16 Boys Eagles	Officer Recreation Eastern Oval
14:30	Officer JFC U17.5 Boys	Berwick JFC U17.5 Boys Blue	Officer Recreation Eastern Oval

Officer Recreation Reserve - WESTERN OVAL

TIME	TEAM	OPPONENT	VENUE
9-10am		Officer AUSKICK	Officer Recreation Western Oval
10:30	Officer JFC U11 Blue	Officer JFC U11 Boys White	Officer Recreation Western Oval
12:30	Officer JFC U14 Girls	Mount Eliza JFC U14 Girls Mounties	Officer Recreation Western Oval
14:00	Officer JFC U14 White	Mornington JFC U14 Boys Bulldogs	Officer Recreation Western Oval

Teams playing away

TIME	TEAM	OPPONENT	VENUE
8:45	Officer JFC U10 Blue	Berwick JFC U10 Mixed White	Berwick Chase Primary School
11:20	Officer JFC U12 Blue	Berwick JFC U12 Boys Navy	Berwick Chase Primary School
12:40	Officer JFC U13 Blue	Berwick JFC U13 Boys White	Berwick Chase Primary School
10:00	Officer JFC U15 Blue	Devon Meadows JFC U15 Boys	Casey Fields Oval 2
12:30	Officer JFC U13 White	Mount Eliza JFC U13 Boys Mounties	Emil Madsen Top Oval
10:00	Officer JFC U15 White	Beaconsfield JFC U15 Boys Gold	Holm Park 1
10:20	Officer JFC U10 White	Beaconsfield JFC U10 Mixed Blue	Holm Park 3
8:45	Officer JFC U12 Girls	Narre North Foxes FC U12 Girls Black	Narre Warren North Reserve 2
14:30	Officer JFC U19 Girls	Chelsea/Carrum Patterson Lakes U19 Girls	Roy Dore Reserve 2
11:00	Officer JFC U12 White	Narre South Saints JFC U12 Boys	Strathaird Reserve 2
10:00	Officer JFC U10 Black	Pakenham JFC U10 Mixed Blue	Toomuc Reserve 2
14:00	Officer JFC U16 Girls	Pakenham JFC U16 Girls	Toomuc Reserve 2



Supporting our Sponsors

The Officer Kangaroos Junior Football Club have a fantastic bunch of sponsors - all of whom make a great contribution to our Club. Our sponsors are big and small and contribute in all sorts of ways. Where you can, get in and support our people, as they have supported us.

The logo for Castello's is written in a blue, elegant cursive script. The word "Castello's" is written in a flowing, handwritten style with a thin blue underline that extends from the end of the word.

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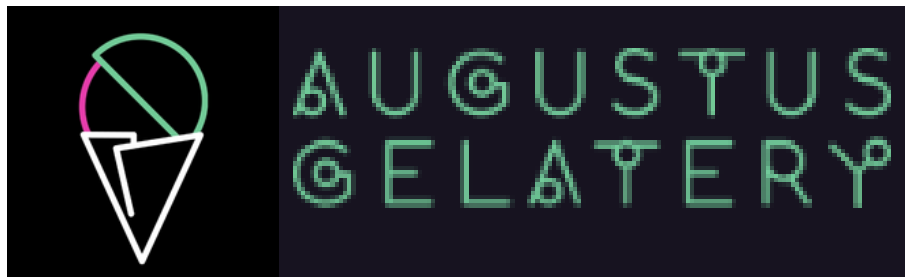
The logo for parklea is the word "parklea." written in a bold, black, serif font. The period at the end is a solid black dot.

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The logo for the Business Technology Centre features a large, stylized letter "T" in a dark blue color. The "T" is set against a light blue, oval-shaped background that has a slight gradient. To the right of the "T", the words "Business", "Technology", and "Centre" are stacked vertically in a dark blue, sans-serif font.The logo for myexpert features the word "myexpert" in a bold, black, sans-serif font. To the right of the text is a small graphic consisting of three overlapping, teardrop-shaped elements in orange, light blue, and green. A registered trademark symbol (®) is located at the end of the word.

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