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Finals footy arrived with all the drama you'd expect – played out in cold and blustery winter conditions that tested every team's grit, resolve, and focus.

The U11 Stars were fierce from the first bounce, outplaying a determined Cheltenham side to secure a Grand Final berth. They absorbed pressure, controlled the corridor, and finished with class. The U11 Girls also won through to their grand final. The other U11 teams and the U12 Stars did not prevail but certainly acquitted themselves valiantly and had very successful seasons. Unfortunately, it wasn't to be for the U13 Girls. Despite matching East Malvern for most of the contest and bringing terrific physical pressure, they couldn't close the late gap and bowed out with heads high after a season full of growth.

The U13 Rockets dug deep and kicked their highest score for the season and will play off in this week's Grand Final. The Under 14's had a mixed bag with the Stars winning through despite a determined St. Bedes lineup as its opposition. The Rockets went down but had a great season.

The U15 Comets had a resounding win and now have a week off to see who their opponents will be in the big one. So too, the 15 Girls who had a close fought nail-biting win against the Beaumaris Great Whites, prevailing by 4 points.

In the older ages, the U16 Comets won by 67 points kicking the ton and progressing straight through to the GF. The U17.5 Comets came out hard, kicking the first two goals, and never looked back. Their work around the stoppages and repeat forward entries were key in a powerful team performance, sending them straight through to a Granny. With the U18 Girls had a brilliant twin going through to a Prelim by 3 points.

As finals continue, one thing is certain – even under the harsh bite of winter winds, the Jackas' commitment and unity shine through. Nine teams are still flying the flag, with more action to come in the race to Grand Final glory.

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MILESTONES

Congratulations to Sammy Levy on his 50th game milestone.



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Congratulations to Jesse Mac on his 50th game milestone.



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Congratulations to Moshe Szewicz on his 50th game milestone.



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Congratulations to cousins Mason Appel and Zach Sutton on their 50th game milestones.



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THE JACKAS WRAP MATCH REPORTS

U11 GIRLS - COMETS

DIVISION 1

COACHES: BRAD AKKERMAN



U11 GIRLS - COMETS

60
0.0

vs

East Sandringham Zebbies
U11 Girls MCDONALD

0
0.0

ROUND 16

AJAX U11 GIRLS COMETS WON BY FORFEIT

I'd like to say the win was due to some brilliant coaching. But given the opposition forfeited I can't take any of the credit.

MENSCH of the WEEK

NOT SUBMITTED

NEXT ROUND

ST KILDA CITY JFC U11 GIRLS
SCALES | 07 SEP 2025 | 09:30
AM

U11 - STARS

DIVISION 3

COACHES: ADAM BOROWSKI, SIMON KRAMPPEL



U11 - STARS

66
8.12

vs

Cheltenham / Highett U11
Mixed RED

23
3.5

ROUND 16

AJAX U11 MIXED STARS WON BY 43 POINTS

GOALS

LOWINGER, ASHER 3 | BESSER,
LEVI 1 | ISAACS, DYLAN 1 |
JANKIE, DYLAN 1 | JANOVER,
MAVERICK 1 | JOFFE, NOAH 1 |
MAC, JESSE 1 |

The Ajax U11 Stars delivered a commanding performance in a one-sided affair. From the opening bounce, the Stars were relentless, bursting out to an early lead with goals from Lowinger, Joffe and Beebe. The midfield brigade, led by Jankie and the courageous Kotlyer—who played through injury—set the tone, providing run and precision delivery all day. Krampel was outstanding through the middle, while Dickman put on a defensive masterclass, nullifying Cheltenham’s key playmaker. In defense, Ong and Epstein produced their best games of the season, turning defense into attack with confident rebound. Borowski, Granek, and Silverman were rock-solid in the back six, refusing to concede a single one-on-one contest. Up forward, Janover was a strong presence, clunking a contested mark and finishing truly, while Isaacs remained a constant threat in the attacking half. Michaels asserted himself strongly in the ruck, particularly during a dominant third quarter surge. Azoulay and Kaplan applied fierce tackling pressure, while Levy, Ajzner, and Eckstein worked tirelessly to create scoring opportunities. In a fitting highlight, Mac celebrated his 50th game in style, presenting strongly and capping it off with the match-sealing goal from within the pack. Better added the exclamation point with a strong mark and goal that seemed to surprise himself! This was a complete team performance from the Stars, showcasing skill, grit, and unity in a statement victory. THE STARS ARE OFF TO A GRAND FINAL - THE SILVERWARE IS WITHIN REACH!

BEST

listed A-Z by lastname

BEEBE, ASHER | DICKMAN,
OLIVER | EPSTEIN, EZRA |
JANKIE, DYLAN | MAC, JESSE |
ONG, AYDEN

MENSCH of the WEEK

AWAY GAME

NEXT ROUND

PRAHRAN JFC U11 MIXED HINE
| KING GEORGE RESERVE 2 | 07
SEP 2025 | 09:15 AM

U11 - SHARKS

DIVISION 2

COACHES: DAVE GELBART, ADRIAN GODLEWICZ



U11 - SHARKS

11

vs

**Bentleigh U11 Mixed
RUNCIMAN**

22

0.11

3.4

ROUND 16

AJAX U11 MIXED SHARKS LOST BY 11 POINTS

GOALS

Having qualified in third place on the ladder, the Sharks entered its semi-final full of confidence and with a “team first” attitude at King George Reserve on Sunday. With a few positional changes from the week before, the Sharks peppered the goals early but were unable to convert their opportunities into the full 6 points. Intensity was high and the game was fiercely contested as the Sharks did their best to keep the ball low, fast and out of the centre corridor as they tried to deny the Demon talls any marking opportunities. Stub and Blustein were relentless in the midfield, driving the ball forward all game and Gabizon was switched on from the start taking 2 brilliant marks, playing on quickly & kicking beautifully to the top of the goal square at the right time. Godlewicz had a sensational game at half back picking up a ton of loose ball and then in the second half winning the hard, contested ball when moved into the midfield. Gelbart did his best to spark the Sharks in the third quarter when moved to half forward and almost registered the Shark’s first major, while Captain Brooks was desperate as ever in defence. Buch had an amazing game continuing his great form winning contested ground ball plus a brilliant mark while Davis also had one of his best games of the season taking strong, body on body, contested marks against very strong and talented opposition. In the end it was only inaccuracy in front of goal that cost the Sharks but they should all be very proud of their efforts this season. A big thankyou to all of the parents who were fantastic support enabling the Sharks to improve out of site especially in the second half of the season.

BEST

listed A-Z by lastname

BLUSTEIN, LENNY | BROOKS,
LEVI | GABIZON, JACK | GELBART,
JOEL | GODLEWICZ, JOSHUA |
STUB, ZAC

MENSCH of the WEEK

AWAY GAME

NEXT ROUND

BYE

U11 - ROCKETS

DIVISION 1

COACHES: ARI LEWSKI, JARROD KAGAN, ADAM WISER



U11 - ROCKETS

6
1.0

vs

**East Malvern U11 Mixed
SANGSTER**

26
3.8

ROUND 16

AJAX U11 MIXED ROCKETS LOST BY 20 POINTS

GOALS

LEWSKI, KOBE 1 |

Despite coming into this Qualifying Final as the underdog, the Rockets knew that on their day they could beat anyone in the competition, including their opponent East Malvern, who we had defeated convincingly earlier in the season. But unfortunately, this just wasn't our day. Despite our boys battling hard and giving everything they had from the very first bounce, it wasn't quite enough. After trailing by 15pts at HT in a low-scoring affair, the Rockets lifted their intensity and controlled the third quarter but couldn't quite convert that dominance into scoreboard impact. Still, we found ourselves within striking distance at 3QTR time just 10 points down and with momentum on our side. However, some poor disposal and costly turnovers in the last quarter allowed the opposition to pull away with a comfortable win. But all is not lost. The fact that this team even made the finals and finished 3rd on the ladder was an amazing achievement. This group of boys punched above their weight all season and competed fiercely in a very tough Division 1. We beat every team in the Division during the season, including flag favourites Beaumaris – their only loss of the year so far – which is a milestone in itself. I'm immensely proud of all the boys and what they accomplished this season. It's been an absolute privilege to coach each and every one of them! A special thanks goes to my two outstanding assistant coaches, Jarrod and Adam, for their tireless commitment week in, week out, and to our incredible Team Manager, Tony Sutton, for all his hard work behind the scenes. He's the best in the business!

BEST

listed A-Z by lastname

APPEL, MASON | FRIEDMAN,
AITAN | KAGAN, BLAKE |
KRAWITZ, JONAH | LEWSKI,
KOBE | WISER, JORDAN

MENSCH of the WEEK

AWAY GAME

NEXT ROUND

BYE

U12 - STARS

DIVISION 6

COACHES: DALE SMORGON, BRAD DAVIS, DANNY GUNN



U12 - STARS

9
1.3

vs

**Murrumbeena U12 Mixed
GRIFFINS**

42
5.12

ROUND 16

AJAX U12 MIXED STARS LOST BY 33 POINTS

GOALS

BALTER, DANIEL 1 |

The Stars faced Beena in a rematch of last week's great battle, however this time it was finals survival on the line. The rain arrived as the siren blew to commence the match and Beena got the early advantage, and if not for bad kicking would have held a commanding lead early in the game. The Stars battled hard but we simply lacked the polish and connection to move the ball across the ground - too few forward entries meant that we remained goless up to half time for the first time all season. Beena continued to run and spread hard and despite our backline holding up well the dam wall broke and we faced a mountain to climb at 3/4 time. We are super proud of all the boys for not giving up a huge margin, and battling it out to at least post 1 goal in the last term. We walk away from a successful season of learning and development for all the boys - it was great to qualify for finals, and we can use that as a springboard for next year. Well done Stars, cant wait till 2026 !!

BEST

listed A-Z by lastname

BALTER, DANIEL | COHEN,
JAYDEN | HARRIS, HARVEY |
KANEVSKY, JORDAN | LANDAU,
EZRA | SAVICKY, ILAN

MENSCH of the WEEK

AWAY GAME

NEXT ROUND

BYE

U13 GIRLS - COMETS

DIVISION 1

COACHES: DAVID SUSMAN, CARLA CARROLL



U13 GIRLS - COMETS

16
2.4

vs

**Brighton Beach U13 Girls
MALONE**

76
0.76

ROUND 16

AJAX U13 GIRLS COMETS LOST BY 60 POINTS

GOALS

KATZ, JESSICA 1 | WAINRIT,
POPPY 1

Season 2025 has come to an end for the U13 Girls. Another lion-hearted effort didn't get the result but cannot be denied. This season the endeavour has never been doubted. The coaches and parents cannot and should not be prouder of these girls. Under-girled again, they showed tremendous tenacity and courage. Down by as many as three players on the field, these girls would not yield. Perhaps the best passage of play for the entire season saw Chazan lay a ferocious tackle and win a free kick. She then laced out a pass to Levy, who played on and spotted Wainrit, who coolly slotted a goal. It was magic. Unfortunately, further injuries curtailed Ajax, and this inevitably took its toll. A special thanks to all the girls that laced up their boots and took the field this season: Abby, Bella, Chaya, Claire, Ella, Emilie, Erica, Georgia, Indy, Jess, Layla, Maya, Nina, Nora, Olivia, Poppy, Shellie, Sophie, Tali and Tilly. Please enjoy the off season. Work on your skills, work on your fitness, work on recruiting more girls to the Club, and turn up to preseason training ready to get to work!

BEST

listed A-Z by lastname

CARROLL, ELLA | JOHNSON,
CHAYA | KATZ, JESSICA | LEVY,
EMILIE | LEWSKI, INDIANA |
SUSMAN, OLIVIA

MENSCH of the WEEK

AWAY GAME

NEXT ROUND

BYE

U13 - ROCKETS

DIVISION 4

COACHES: MARK LIPSHUTZ, NATAN FELL



U13 - ROCKETS

58

9.4

vs

**E Brighton Vampires U13
Mixed GIANATTI**

27

4.3

ROUND 16

AJAX U13 MIXED ROCKETS WON BY 31 POINTS

GOALS

SEGMAN, AKIVA 4 | ADLER, BEN 1 | BURMAN, CHARLIE 1 | LEIBLER, NOAH 1 | LIPSHUTZ, JACOB 1 | SHERR, BENJAMIN 1

At the first training session of the year we set a goal of continuous improvement and to peak come finals time. We knew it would take time to establish a system and structures, but the benefit of all the hard work during the season was on full display in our first final. In a four-quarter performance full of grit, resilience and relentlessness, the team kicked its highest score for the season and led from start to finish to book a spot in the Grand Final. There were stages of the match where the opposition got on top in the clearance and territory battle, but our focus on being a defence-first football team held us in good stead and enabled us to weather the storms. When we moved the ball forward, we did so with purpose and a selflessness that allowed us to have quality shots on goal, best exemplified by Ben's goal in the third quarter that came from a chain starting at full-back. Underpinning everything is the importance of playing as a team and supporting each other. We spoke before the game about finals football being all about teamwork and mindset and it was so pleasing to see the care, support and encouragement the boys gave to each other in this game. While there were some outstanding individual moments of brilliance, what stood out strongly was the way that each player played his role and gave his all. Isaac's contested work, Micah's desperation, Johnny's passing, Ben's hard running to space and Gavi going back with the flight twice showed that you don't need to have 20 or 30 touches to be an influential player. Boys, you have earned the right to play in a Grand Final. Give it your all, have fun and let's bring home the cup!

BEST

listed A-Z by lastname

BEN ZUR, ISRAEL OSHER | BURMAN, CHARLIE | COHEN, ISAAC | KABILLO, ASHER | SEGMAN, AKIVA | SHERR, BENJAMIN

MENSCH of the WEEK

AWAY GAME

NEXT ROUND

EAST MALVERN U13 MIXED
VICKER-WILLIS | KOORNANG
PARK 1 | 07 SEP 2025 | 09:00 AM

U13 - STARS

DIVISION 4

COACHES: GARY WAISMAN, BRAD SMITH



U13 - STARS

21
3.3

vs

Hampton Rovers U13
Mixed YELLOW

42
5.12

ROUND 16

AJAX U13 MIXED STARS LOST BY 21 POINTS

GOALS

Not Submitted

WAISMAN, HUDSON 2 | GRANT,
ELIJAH 1

BEST

listed A-Z by lastname

BELL, ZAC | BIGOS, BENJI |
GRANT, ELIJAH | STIGLITZ,
BENJAMIN | TAFT, NATHAN |
WAISMAN, HUDSON

MENSCH of the WEEK

AWAY GAME

NEXT ROUND

BYE

U14 - STARS

DIVISION 3

COACHES: EDEN ROSE, ADAM STEINHARDT



U14 - STARS

49

vs

SBMT U14 Mixed TERRELL

36

8.1

5.6

ROUND 16

AJAX U14 MIXED STARS WON BY 13 POINTS

GOALS

SINGER, ITAI 2 | SOLOMON, LEVI 2 | FAIGENBAUM, AMOS 1 | GRUNDMANN, LEVI 1 | MITTELMAN, OLIVIER 1 | YATES, JOSH 1

The Under 14 Stars returned to Princess Park to a well deserved home final after finishing the home and away season on top. The coaches were at pains to point out that the H&A season while a reflection of standing and performance means nothing come finals and the boys need to put in a tough, four qtr effort with a team first mindset being the main agenda item. The first quarter a good St Bedes side through everything they had at us yet the Stars went in on top. This gave the boys real confidence. In the second qtr the rain set in and the game became a real slog. After half time and some adjustments to structure and game plan the Stars really put their foot down and blew St Bedes away with their run and carry leading by 25 points at the final break. To start the last quarter the Jackas got caught flat and after a few mins the lead was only a goal. As good sides do thought, the Stars didn't back down and regained momentum. A massive captains goal settled the ship as the boys hung on for a seat at the big dance!!! This was not about a selection of players and their brilliance, this was a total team 4qtr effort and the way you want to go into a grand final full of confidence. Everyone should be proud and now two weeks to train the house down, focus and finish off what we set out to achieve! Go Stars!!!

BEST

listed A-Z by lastname

COOPER, LEVI | GERBER, JACK | GRUNDMANN, LEVI | SINGER, ITAI | SOLOMON, LEVI | STEINHARDT, MAX

MENSCH of the WEEK

AWAY GAME

NEXT ROUND

BYE

U14 - ROCKETS

DIVISION 5

COACHES: GUMMY NEW, JEREMY WEISS



U14 - ROCKETS

29
4.5

vs

**Prahran JFC U14 Mixed
MILLER**

50
7.8

ROUND 16

AJAX U14 MIXED ROCKETS LOST BY 21 POINTS

GOALS

KOL, ELAI 1 | KRAEMER, AVI 1 |
MILCHMAN, JACK 1 | NEW, ALON
1

The elimination final was a repeat of last week's game against Prahran, and the pressure was on early. The defense of Bebee, Getz and Ainsworth stood strong as they have all year, limiting Prahran to two goals, five, one of which came on the stroke of quarter time. Unfortunately AJAX were kept goalless despite a couple of forays forward thanks to Kowadlo, Weinberg and Jacobs. In the second quarter Azriel and Smith were gallant holding off Prahran but the repeat entries were too much. AJAX applied some forward pressure but without reward. Then a final gasp rebound goal to Prahran put AJAX a daunting 31 points down at half time. Could the U14 Rockets find an extra gear and make a historic comeback? The premiership quarter started positively for AJAX with a great goal to Kraemer on the run and were followed up by subsequent repeat entries. Another goal courtesy of Kol on the back of good linking play and a goal to Milchman a few minutes later started to give the team belief. A goal to New after the siren, thanks to a 50m penalty, meant the half time difference was reduced to 23 points and all the momentum was with AJAX. AJAX came out fighting, gaining the upper hand in the first half of the final quarter but they could only muster 3 behinds. A single point at the other end meant the game ended in a 21-point loss to the Rockets after winning six in a row to make it into the elimination final. As the U14 Rockets season draws to a close the team thanks all the coaches, the team manager, parent volunteers and the club for all their efforts and another wonderful year of footy. Fear not! We'll be back!

BEST

listed A-Z by lastname

GETZ, NOAM | KOWADLO, BENJI
| KRAEMER, AVI | MELAMED,
ADRIAN | SMITH, NATHAN |
SZENTAL, SAUL

MENSCH of the WEEK

AWAY GAME

NEXT ROUND

BYE

U15 - COMETS

DIVISION 2

COACHES: BRAD ATHOLWOOD, DION APPEL



U15 - COMETS

74

11.8

vs

**Murrumbeena U15 Boys
LIONS**

36

4.12

ROUND 16

AJAX U15 BOYS COMETS WON BY 38 POINTS

GOALS

ALTER, ZAC 4 | DAVIS, TOBY 3 |
CHRAPOT, LENNY 1 | JOEL,
AMIEL 1 | KELMANN, GABRIEL 1 |
NAHOOM, LIAM 1

Rise and shine was the call for our 8.15am bounce at Prinny Park for Round 1 of the finals. Coming off last week's end to the home-and-away season, the message from training was clear: hard reset, new goal, win a flag. We typically thrive on early starts, and the Comets arrived loud and proud. We've enjoyed coming up against Murrumbeena this season, and our focus remains singular: #beatbeena. The game was physical from the first bounce. Our Comets won the ground ball with plenty of run and carry. At the end of the first, the scores were level and the Comets needed to dig deep, and that's exactly what came next. Skipper Zalter was silky smooth: tagged but unphased, physical but protected by Sheffa and AJ with conversions to celebrate. We kept Beena near scoreless in the second. Nicko's courage and tenacity were best in class. Lenny was lethal, brushing Beena off like flies. Liam's efforts were relentless, rewarding him with goals and assists. By half-time, we had a commanding lead and wanted to lift our intensity and physicality even further. This would prove to Beena that we want it more - NOW WE FIGHT FOR THE FLAG! Ever-reliable Rooster, in sync with Traz, resembled a brick wall more than a backline. With Maxy in the middle, supporting Sonny's sheer strength and determination, the ball was delivered up forward for T-Bone Davis to provide some finals magic: three goals, including one right on the siren to seal the deal, celebrated loudly and proudly by Harls and the team. Who are we? Where are we? We're the boys from Ajax Football Club! Today was our day. The Comets now aptly rewarded with a week off ahead of the Grand Final. Get up and about, season 2025 is going all the way.

BEST

listed A-Z by lastname

ALTER, ZAC | CHRAPOT, LENNY |
DAVIS, TOBY | NAHOOM, LIAM |
TRAYER, ARI | WROBEL,
NICHOLAS

MENSCH of the WEEK

AWAY GAME

NEXT ROUND

BYE

U15 GIRLS - COMETS

DIVISION 2

COACHES: LEETAL SALOMONOVITCH, YAEL ALFORD



U15 GIRLS - COMETS

17
2.5

vs

**Beaumaris U15 Girls
GREAT WHITES**

13
1.7

ROUND 16

AJAX U15 GIRLS COMETS WON BY 4 POINTS

GOALS

ISRAELSOHN, ZOE 1 | LEWIS, LILY
1

After 15 rounds of hard work and growth, we found ourselves playing an elimination final against a team we hadn't faced all season. From the first bounce to the final siren, the girls showed just how far they've come this year. They played with smiles, had fun, and walked off proud of their journey from the start of the year to now. In the first quarter, the girls came out firing. Their positioning was perfect across the ground, showcasing clear communication and structure. In the backline, Alperstein, Lewinsohn, Lyons, Gunn, and Varker positioned themselves spectacularly, supporting each other at every contest and shutting down the opposition's early chances. Olian's leadership helped guide the group through the pressure moments. The second quarter was about lifting our intensity and hitting the scoreboard. Israelsohn, carrying an injury, couldn't play her usual midfield role, so was placed at full forward. Reading the play beautifully, she kicked an excellent goal and assisted a second. Schachna and Seligmann were relentless up forward, crumbing at every contest and keeping the pressure high. These team effort goals set us up for the rest of the game. The third quarter was about momentum. Lewis and Borenstein were strong in the ruck, providing great service and strength helping our midfield dominate. Dodge and Kolliner were fearless, bursting through packs and driving the ball forward. Our hands felt like glue today, Smith, Lewinsohn, and Beggs marks were definitely contenders for mark of the day! In the final quarter, the girls locked it in. A late 50m penalty gave the opposition a chance, but luckily missed. We pushed up, controlled the clock, and held strong. We believed, we won, and now we're off to the semis. We sang our song loud and proud!

BEST

listed A-Z by lastname

ISRAELSOHN, ZOE | KOLLINER,
GABRIELLA | LEWINSOHN, EVE |
LEWIS, LILY | LYONS, SAMANTHA
| OLIAN, MAHLI

MENSCH of the WEEK

AWAY GAME

NEXT ROUND

BYE

U16 - COMETS

DIVISION 2

COACHES: KAELAN LAZARO, PHARELL FERNANDES



U16 - COMETS

100

15.10

vs

**Beaumaris U16 Boys
GREAT WHITES**

33

5.3

ROUND 16

AJAX U16 BOYS COMETS WON BY 67 POINTS

GOALS

ARROW, DARCY 6 | FEDERMAN,
LUKA 2 | KAVE, ASHER 2 |
SMORGON, HARPER 2 | ONAS,
ZAC 1 | ROSENBERG, ARCHIE 1 |
SZWARC, ARIEL 1 |

Couldn't have asked for anything more from the U16's Comets. These boys have worked hard all up to this game. With an emotional but fun pre-game build up, the theme was moments and memories. Each player was going to have a moment throughout a finals game and it would be remembered to look back on, whether it was positive or embarrassing. From the first bounce, our pressure was the best it's been all year. We kept the ball in our front half but just couldn't convert and execute the way we desired going inside 50. Credit to Beaumaris who took their chances in the first to put scoreboard pressure on the Comets. Quarter time, we couldn't have been any more positive, acknowledging that we were doing everything right...but just lacked that extra bit of composure and class with ball in hand. We turned it on in the 2nd, our forward pressure and ability to defend the whole ground was the best it's ever looked. We forced turnovers in our front half, leading to an abundance of goals. The game from there just opened up and the boys rode the momentum all the way home, playing an attacking and exciting brand of footy. To cap the game off with a thrilling 67 point win. So proud of this group. After so many years, they finally win their first final and enter their first grand final. One more to go! Get down and support the 16's!!

BEST

listed A-Z by lastname

MENSCH of the WEEK

AWAY GAME

NEXT ROUND

BYE

U18 - COMETS

DIVISION 1

COACHES: COREY ZIELINSKI, NOAH MICHMACHER, MATTHEW CIARDULLI



U18 - COMETS

57
8.9

vs

**Bentleigh / Highett /
Cheltenham U17.5 Boys
RED**

48
7.6

ROUND 16

AJAX U17.5 BOYS COMETS WON BY 9 POINTS

GOALS

KRASNOSTEIN, HUGO MACK 2 |
GOLDBERG, NOAH 1 | GROSS,
TAJ 1 | ICKOWICZ, SAMUEL 1 |
LEWIS, RAPHAEL 1 | SLADE,
JOSHUA 1 | ZUKERMAN, DION 1 |

The message of the day was simple: Our season starts now. We knew exactly what this game meant and how tough it was going to be against the only team to beat us this year, but our focus was on us and our DNA. The first quarter was an arm wrestle, with both sides refusing to give an inch, but we felt we had the ascendancy and took a 7-point lead into quarter time. The second quarter was again tightly contested, with neither side giving away easy chances, though our ability to win crucial stoppages and stay composed gave us a 34-27 lead at half-time. The third quarter was frustrating as we began to take control of the game, owning the outside and opening the ground up with strong transition and ball movement, but we failed to convert our chances in front of goal, kicking 1.4 to their three straight, which handed Bentleigh the momentum and a 1-point lead at the final change. It would have been easy for the boys to drop away under pressure, but instead they showed tremendous resilience and delivered a brilliant final quarter, keeping Bentleigh goalless while kicking two majors of our own to secure a hard-fought 57-48 win and book our place in the grand final. A performance built on belief, effort and connection that showed once again what makes this group so special.

BEST

listed A-Z by lastname

ALFORD, ITAI | MICMACHER,
MANNY | MOHR, OLIVER | PITT,
JONAH | SHEFFIELD, AIDAN |
SLADE, JOSHUA

MENSCH of the WEEK

AWAY GAME

NEXT ROUND

BYE

U18 GIRLS - COMETS

DIVISION 2

COACHES: PHIL GOLDBERG, GYPSY FOLWELL



U18 GIRLS - COMETS

25
3.7

vs

**St Peters / Bentleigh U18
Girls SIM**

22
2.10

ROUND 16

AJAX U18 GIRLS COMETS WON BY 3 POINTS

GOALS

FRIDMAN, SIENA 1 | HERMANN,
TAHLIA 1 | JOTKOWITZ, RUBY 1 |

Why do we love finals footy? Because it's the time when individuals say 'this is my time'. When certain teams demand to be seen for who they are. For the u/18 girls, it's also a time to come together and believe in ourselves and that is exactly what the girls did against a highly fancied (but nervous) St Peters. The Jackas hit the ground running with 2 quick team goals to Mica and Tahlia. Our intent to keep the ball moving forward and play high pressure football was clear. Ruby was controlling the stoppages (kicking goals) whilst Siena was mopping up the loose ball, setting up numerous inside 50's. The opposition didn't make it easy for us though, and every contest was a battle. Meirav was a tackling machine and Giselle showed why 'courage' should be her middle name with her fearless attack on the ball. Our pressure rating was high but when St Peter's was able to break through our midfield they then realised it wasn't going to be easy to get through our backline. With Annabel smothering anything in her way and the ultimate wall of defence that was Jade, saving numerous goals and setting up rebounding attacks. There were no rest breaks during the quarters either. Repeated stoppages and rolling mauls were how the game came to be and the Jackas showed what a fighting spirit, a commitment to a goal and a love of the team can achieve. At risk of being repetitive, a true Team Effort and another super proud achievement.

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listed A-Z by lastname

BERMAN, GISELLE | FELL,
MEIRAV | FRIDMAN, SIENA |
HERMANN, TAHLIA | NAPHTALI,
ANNABEL | SWART, JADE

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