



ROUND 8 NEWSLETTER

Hello Cougars Community!

What a big week! We are gearing up for our Trivia night (21/6), our 60th birthday (22/6) and we've had a wonderful round of footy!

Round 8 provided some thrilling wins, motivating losses and this spectacular outcome! Well done Under 13M!



With results like these in our competitive age groups, we are looking at 4-5 teams making finals.. let's hope Round 9 yields more great results!

We are powering through the footy season, with Rounds 9 and 10 ahead of us before we break for the school holidays (returning for Round 11 on July 20).

We are so proud of our players who made their 50 game milestones this weekend – well done Mikey, Austin and Leroy!



Mikey Simm, U'14 1



Austin Baker, U'15

We are very proud of the NJFC girls playing in the NBJFC Under 11 Girls team, with the team topping their division's ladder! Well done team and well done Grace and Alyssa for being such fierce 'Giant' Cougars!



This report from Coach Stu, sharing Grace's exemplary sporting skills from Sunday's game:

Grace played really well last week including a goal saving tackle. Even more impressive though was how great a teammate she proved to be, yet again.

Grace stood up for her teammate when an opposition player was pushing and shoving. She also carried her injured teammate Charlotte across the ground at the end of the game.

Congratulations Grace on being a very deserving Giant of the week!

We're also very proud of our Under 16 Girls 'Northside' team – shown here after their spirited match against Fitzroy – with now 4 inner north clubs represented by this amazing group of girls! We have girls from Northcote, North Brunswick, Preston and Brunswick clubs filling our squad – well done to Team Manager Ainsley Campbell for keeping the team ship shape and the volunteer roles filled week after week!



This week we also said bye bye to the old playing jumpers – all 120 kgs and 7 boxes of them and enjoyed the blast from the past when we came across these old uniform items.



We are thrilled that the jumpers (and some old shorts) will find a new home in Ramingining, which is located in East Arnhem land and is a small Yolgnu community. It's a long way from Northcote and we can't wait to receive an update in the coming weeks that the jumpers have arrived.



We have taken delivery of our latest addition to the club merch collection – scarves! Thanks to U13M player Lucas Pietsch for being a great sport and happily modelling the first 1 out of the box! We will be selling them at Auskick and Sunday's Match Day Home games and at our birthday party!



NJFC TRIVIA NIGHT – 21/06/25

We'll gather at the Terminus Hotel for a night of fun and competition! We have amazing prizes, great food and Danny McGinlay, the Under 11s Premiership Assistant Coach and comedian hosting the night!!!

Buy your tickets here! <https://events.humanitix.com/cougars-quiz-night>



Trivia Night



Terminus Hotel Beer Garden
Saturday 21 June
Trivia 7.30pm start; 10pm finish
\$50 per ticket
 Tickets at events.humanitix.com/cougars-quiz-night

Hosted by Danny McGinlay
 Join us in the Terminus Hotel's
 fantastic new Beer Garden*
 Finger Food included.





*Fully indoor heated space



Trivia Night



Raffle Prizes

Prize	Valued At
Jumbuck 6 Burner BBQ (Bunnings)	\$190
Meat Tray (Mickey Ds)	\$150
Mini Golf Family Voucher (What the Putt)	\$175
Beauty Gift Pack (Natio)	\$150
Voucher for Cinder Restaurant (Terminus)	\$100
Voucher for Terminus Hotel (Terminus)	\$100
Remedial Massage Voucher (Fairfield Osteo)	\$100
3 month gym membership (Fitstop) x 2	\$708 each
Outer Circle Café vouchers (Outer Circle) x 2	\$50 each
Jamsheed Wines dinner voucher	\$150
Rituel Pilates 10 pack of classes	\$250

Tickets \$5 each, 5 for \$20 or 13 for \$50

Payment Options

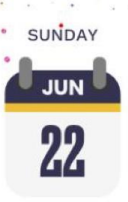
Buy on the night (we want to see you!)
 Pay id clubtreasurer@njfc.com.au and include name and no. of tickets
 Bank transfer BSB 633000 & Acc 173671694 and include name and no. of tickets

Thanks to our wonderful sponsors!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY NJFC & PARK WORKS OPENING PARTY!

Please join us for a fun afternoon, where we'll enjoy the official opening of the McDonell Park works and get to celebrate 60 years of NJFC!





OPENING PARK PARTY

From 1:30pm

The McDonell park works are done! The new coach boxes, new seating, new spectator shelter, landscaping, pathway and tennis courts works are complete and it's time to officially open them! And it's our club's 60th birthday – cake for everyone!

YJFL FEEDBACK

The YJFL's CEO, Dom Milesi recently emailed clubs to share important reminders, which we pass on:

Club Complaints & Investigations

In recent weeks we have received a number of complaints from clubs on matters as a "fyi". Parents should not be contacting the YJFL directly regarding these matters. We will be directing them to go through their relevant club.

Naturally if there is an incident of a serious nature or one that cannot be resolved clubs are able to lodge a notice of investigation by 4pm on the Wednesday after a game with a bond payment of \$500.

Contact with Umpires

Under By-Law 5.10 Team managers may only approach the Umpires at breaks in play regarding administrative matters, such as ground condition, team sheet compliance or clarification of red/yellow cards. They are not permitted to approach the umpires to discuss umpiring decisions.

No other team official is permitted to approach the umpires during the match.

We have had multiple instances of team managers and/or coaches complaining to umpires about free kick counts during breaks. This is completely unacceptable, especially when over 90% of our umpires are under 18 years of age. Any official noted to have done this in the umpire report will be asked for an explanation and may be asked to appear at the Conduct Investigation Tribunal.

Runners

The conduct of runners has deteriorated again in the last couple of rounds. Once again, we ask coaches to be reminded that runners are only meant to deliver two messages and then come straight off the ground. They are not supposed to stay on the field and coach, nor engage with the opposition. If we see no improvement in runner behaviour in coming weeks the YJFL will consider making By-Law adjustments to either financially sanction clubs breaching the rules or limit the use of runners during matches. Umpires have been encouraged to white card any coach who is using a runner inappropriately.

EOFY DONATIONS – THINK OF NJFC!

We LOVE receiving your donations and now's the time to give it to NJFC before the tax man! Donations made via the Australian Sports Fund are tax deductible and help the club deliver quality experiences for players.



A poster with a dark blue background. At the top, there are two yellow tiger head logos flanking the text "Tax Time" in yellow. Below this, in yellow italicized text, is "Looking for a way to support the NJFC with a tax-deductible donation?". Underneath, in white italicized text, is "Make a tax-deductible donation to NJFC via the Australian Sports Foundation and help build a strong and effective footy club". A URL is provided in white: "https://asf.org.au/donate/northcote-junior-football-club/calling-northcote-junior-football-supporters". At the bottom, there is a yellow logo of a footy ball with a tiger head, the red and white ASF logo, and a QR code.

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ASF

On the radar for the club is the replacement of the clapped out electronic scoreboard and while we are making a grant application, if we receive any funding, it will be capped at around \$15,000 and the scoreboard quote is \$40,000! Like the good Cougars we are, we will be tenacious and ferocious in our efforts to uncover all funding and sponsorship opportunities, but we'd also gratefully receive any donations to make the scoreboard replacement a reality.

<https://asf.org.au/projects/northcote-junior-football-club/calling-northcote-junior-football-supporters>

AUSKICK FUNDRAISER BBQS

[Click here](#) to register your child for Saturday morning Auskick at Northcote.

We're running our Fundraising BBQs again each week that Auskick is running and all teams are expected to provide volunteers to run the session (yes, we all have Saturday sport, yes, we make it work!).

Please keep an eye out for a roar-out from our Team Manager!

When: Saturday mornings, 9.15am – 10.45am

Where: McDonnell Park pavilion

Who: Parents and Carers from rostered teams

How: Team Managers will be sent a roster and will reach out to teams to be involved – please help as it's short, sweet and it's great for the club's bank balance!

Thanks to the teams who have helped so far – you've made the club some really good funds to contribute to footies, equipment and specialist training to make the players' experiences even better!

Thanks to the Under 10s families who got stuck in this week! Another \$700 raised to contribute to buying new footies and other equipment to give our kids the best experience of community footy!



VOLUNTEER REGISTRATION & WWCC UPDATES

Complete or update your Volunteer registration (which needs to be done each year) by following this link

<https://support.playhq.com/hc/en-au/articles/900003189303-Registration-as-a-Player-Team-manager-Coach-Official-Medical-Officer-or-Volunteer>.

Choose to register yourself; choose your role; fill in all information on the 'participant details' page, including your WWCC number (card or lodgement number) and finish.

NJFC exists to support children, and all volunteering is done in that context, no matter what the role or task is, or when it is done. Please ensure your Working with Children Check is up to date and apply here if you don't have one or need to update it <https://service.vic.gov.au/services/working-with-children>

Thanks for helping us keep our club strong, safe and ready for fun!

CONCUSSION AND INJURY MANAGEMENT

As per the AFL Guidelines - ALL players with a suspected concussion need a prompt medical assessment (with a registered medical doctor). This assessment can be provided by a medical doctor present at the venue, a local general practitioner or a hospital emergency department.

Please visit the YJFL website for more information
<https://www.yarrajfl.org.au/managing-head-injuries>

UNIFORM / MERCH SHOP DAYS & TIMES

Hoodies will be available this weekend and shorts are back in stock! Hopefully socks are not far off now too!

Now that the season is underway, subject to our availability, Kellie, Cathy and Josh will run the shop on the following days. If you have an urgent request please text Kellie on 0413 597 087.

- Wednesdays 5.30pm – 6.30pm (subject to availability)
- Saturday 9.15am – 10.15am (during Auskick sausage sizzles)
- Sundays 8.30am – 11.30am (subject to availability)

TOYOTA RAFFLE – GET ON BOARD!

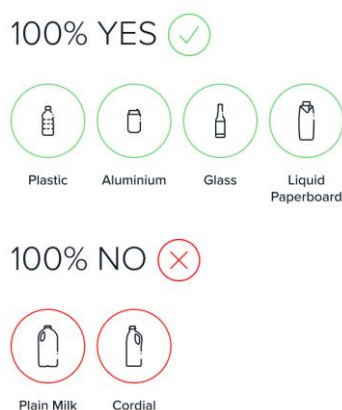
Our club is registered to sell tickets, and you can buy them for NJFC online for \$5 at the link <https://toyotagoodforfooty.raffletix.com.au/northcotejfc?q=buy>



Please get on board as it helps raise funds for our club, which we want to use to continue making our club a great place for kids of all ages!

CONTAINER DEPOSIT SCHEME

NJFC is a Donation Partner for the Container Deposit Scheme (CDS). Follow the instructions on setting yourself up as a CDS sponsor for the Cougars, and the Club will see the benefits you can set up here <https://cdsvic.org.au/fundraising>.



Refund facilities are everywhere around us – Northland, Collingwood Leisure Centre...as well as the CDS Depot itself, in Preston at 24 Quinn Street (east of the new Bunnings). Small contributions will add up to make the club a bigger and better place. More information here! <https://cdsvic.org.au/locations>

CALLING FOR CLUB SPONSORS!

We love having your businesses and organisations as club sponsors – and so do the kids!

To learn more about becoming a sponsor, please visit <https://njfc.com.au/sponsors/> and we'd love to see your banner proudly displayed at the ground!

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Clifton Hill/North Fitzroy

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