



ROUND 9 NEWSLETTER

Hello Cougars Community!

Round 9 is done and dusted! Well done to everyone for making it through another round – 1 more to go til we get to enjoy the mid-year school holidays (keep an eye on your team's Whatsapp for training times over the holidays).

On Sunday morning, I was so proud to hear the Cougars anthem blasting from the change rooms following the Under 12M game (defeated Ashburton) and Under 13M game (defeated Fitzroy) – well done players!



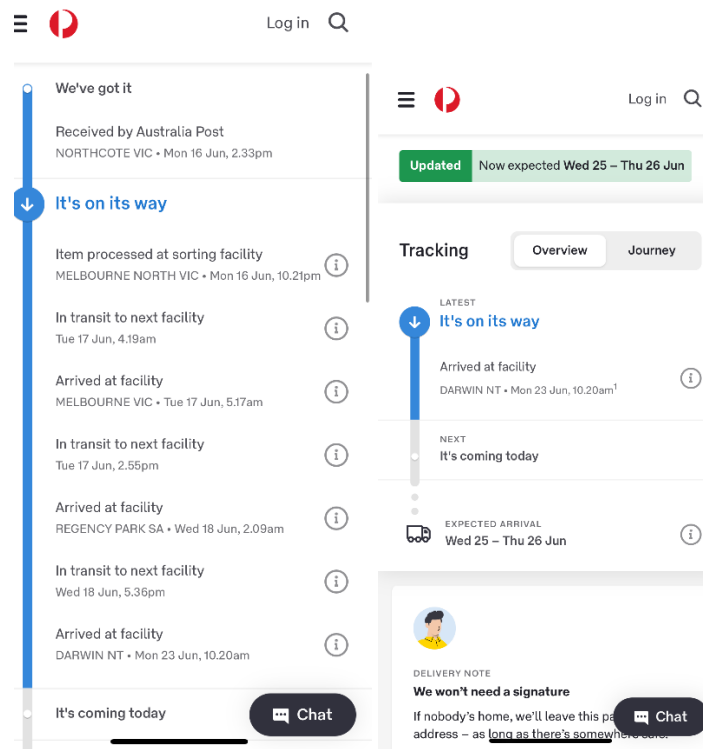
Our Youth team had a great day playing at Victoria Park, Abbotsford ('the' Vic Park!) but sadly, Fitzroy prevailed.



The team regrouped on Tuesday night, at the Northcote Park club rooms, and managed to chomp through 14 family size pizzas from Fairfield Pizza (218 Station Street, Fairfield and 9481 5518 for all your team's pizza night needs)



The footy jumper stash has made its way to Darwin and should hopefully arrive at Ramingining in the coming days.



Don't forget that we've now taken delivery of beautiful scarves and they're for sale when we have the merch shop open – Saturday morning 9am – 10am, Sunday mornings 9am – 11am and Wednesday evenings 5pm -6pm (or thereabouts).

NJFC TRIVIA NIGHT – WHAT A BLAST!

We gathered at the Terminus Hotel for a night of fun and competition! Well done to Under 11 Coach Mark Eaton's team for winning the night – what a bunch of big brains!

But hang on, while we need to give a huge shout out to MC Danny McGinlay, he does promote himself as the Under 11s Premiership Assistant Coach... rigged much???

We really did have a fabulous night – we warm and cosy, the food was great and the drinks kept everyone very well hydrated over the evening!



Our raffle was fully subscribed – from people buying ahead of the event and on the night – and all of the winners were so thrilled with their prizes. A big shout out again to the donors:

Prize	Thanks to	Valued At
Jumbuck 6 Burner BBQ	Bunnings	\$339
Meat Tray	Mickey Ds (Northcote Central)	\$150
Mini Golf Family Voucher	What the Putt (Brunswick)	\$175
Beauty / <u>Mens</u> Grooming Gift Pack	<u>Natio</u> Cosmetics	\$150
Voucher for Cinder Restaurant	Terminus Hotel	\$100
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Remedial Massage Voucher	Fairfield Osteopathy clinic	\$100
<u>3 month</u> gym membership x 2	<u>Fitstop</u> Northcote	\$780 each
Outer Circle Café \$50 voucher	Outer Circle Café Fairfield	\$50 each
Jamsheed Dinner voucher	Jamsheed Wines Preston	\$150

HAPPY BIRTHDAY NJFC & PARK WORKS OPENING PARTY!

We had a fun afternoon, where we enjoyed the official opening of the McDonnell Park works and celebrated 60 years of NJFC!

Thanks to world-famous and club parent baker, Kristy Brunner, for designing and making such a beautiful and scrumptious cake for the party!



You can order your cakes and cookies here <https://www.bakedbykb.com/>

Thanks to Kat Theophanous MP, Member for Northcote and to Darebin Council Mayor, Kristine Olaris, OAM for officially opening the park works project. We were pleased to share the event with our ward Councillor, Emily Dimitriadis, Mitch Owen, President of the Dennis Cricket Club and Jason Gasper from Northcote Tennis, as pictured below.



The cake was a huge success and our fabulous Under 13 players were keen to celebrate the club's milestone birthday.



Thanks Under 13s!



The cake, almost demolished by excited kids!



Post Under 16 Girls match – just enough to feed them!

GET READY TO BUY YOUR BURGERS FROM GRILL'D IN JULY

We will be a featured organisation in the Grill'd Local Matters program in July. Please get down and buy heaps of burgers and put all of your tokens in our jar, to help us win \$300. Every cent counts when you're a Not for Profit, junior sporting club like NJFC!



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.



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

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!

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!

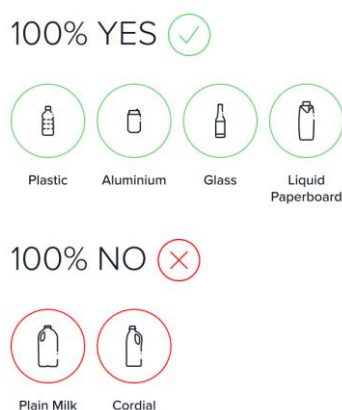
Our club is registered to sell tickets, and you can buy them for NJFC online for \$5 at the link <https://toyotagoodforfooty.raffletix.com.au/northcotejfc?q=buy>



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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