

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS



During the last week of the school holidays, we had two junior teams competing in the HWA Club Championships; 7/8 Boys and 11/12 Mixed. A great time was had by all the players who took part in the carnivals.

7/8 Boys



- * The Freo Div 3 Mixed team, playing in the Boys comp, finished 5th out of 8.
- * We played really well as a lot of us haven't played together before.
- * We won 2 games, drew 2 games and lost 4. The score doesn't matter; it's whether everyone has fun and shows good sportsmanship, which we did.
- * Everyone got to step outside their comfort zone and try new positions.
- * 3 days, 8 games & tired kids by the end!!
- * The bond on and off the field these kids build over the carnival is great to watch!
- * THANK YOU to Darryl, for coaching, and Evarna, for managing. We appreciate all your hard work!



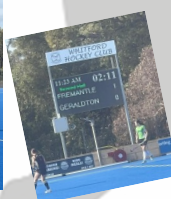
11/12 Mixed

- * The Freo 11/12 mixed team had players of all ages, from year 7 to 12, and they had a lot of fun!
- * Day 1 we discovered our players were not early morning people. Game 1 was a tough one with only 11 players, reduced to 10 shortly after half time when Lucy took a ball to the hand and broke her finger. Layla had a blinder at fullback and managed to take skin off multiple body parts and get hit in the head with the ball. All in all, we were glad to make it through.
- * Millie, Nic and Lara got busy recruiting new players. Millie phoned a friend and convinced Maddy from Melville to join us. Lara had an 18s Queensland player keen to join but Darrel said no! Lots of phone calls to Priya to come to our rescue and we were very glad she joined us. The team finished the day with 2 wins and a loss.



11/12 Mixed cont

- * Day 2, Emma and Amelie joined the team bringing their speed and skill. Unfortunately, we again found it difficult to get going in the morning with a loss to Busselton.
- * Darrel fired up the team for the next 2 games and they had a strong draw against top-of-the table Vic Park and a win against 2nd place Collie.
- * Day 3, Troy joined us and the team finally managed to win their first game of the day—a tight win against Geraldton. That put them into the 5th v 6th play off against Eastern Goldfields, an excellent game with lots of back and forth. A goal in the last minute sealed the win for Freo!
- * Highlight of Day 3 was celebrating Darrel and Millie's shared birthday with a song and some cake!
- * A huge THANK YOU to Darrel who coached the team and enjoyed every moment!



Thank you to all the parents who helped out the teams with lifts and food and general support.