

VMCU Carnival Report 2022

This season we entered 10 teams (listed below). The VMCU withdraw the girls U/18 competition and increased the age classification for girls U/16 to U/17.

Once again COVID 19 made things difficult in delaying our selection process and also limiting the number of players that could attend trials and reduced the number of practice matches.

We had 4 teams who made it through to semi finals. With U/14 boys Russell Allen and U/16 Boys Keith Mackay winning through to the grand final. Keith Mackay went on to win the grand final, making it their 3rd consecutive premiership.

Semi final results were:

Girls Julie Savage U/14 – RDCA 159 Zara Veal 34, Maya Kelaita 29 and Caitlin Miller 28 defeated by North West Metropolitan 5/161 Kaylen Tilney 2/18

Boys Russell Allen U/14 – Mornington Peninsular 7/202 Jack Childs 2/44 defeated by RDCA 5/203 Jackson Edwards 62* and Luke Ivanovic 48*

Boys Des Nolan U/14 – Eastern CA 7/177 Corey Ah-Mu 2/30 defeated RDCA 138 George Lyons 45

Boys Keith Mackay U/16 – Western Region Juniors 5/169 Brogan Murphy 4/8, Ethan Yates 2/27 and Isaac Rakuscek 2/44 defeated by RDCA 7/170 Harvey Smith 35 and John Cody 33*

Grand final results:

Boys Russell Allen U/14 – South East CA 5/163 Aden Bates 2/18 defeated RDCA 7/152 Jack Childs 50*

Boys Keith Mackay U/16 – South East CA 7/193 Brogan Murphy 3/43 defeated by RDCA 3/198 Hudson Semple -Heatherton 78 and Tom Collins 50

For each team we award trophies for the Best Player of the Carnival and Coaches Award, winners were:

Team	Best Player	Coaches Award
U/18 Arnold	Jacob Bellingham	Jarred Stone
U/16 Beitzel	Jordan Lynn	Lachlan Muir
U/16 Mackay	Tom Collins	Ethan Yates
U/14 Allen	Jackson Edwards	Jack Childs
U/14 Nolan	Tom Handasyde	Corey Ah-mu
U/12 Mitchell	Lincoln Walker	Cooper Flinn
U/12 Browne	Xavier Niemann	Mason Agnew
U/12 Claudia Fatone	Mineli Perera	Tiarna Mayoh
U/14 Julie Savage	Maya Kelaita	Zara Veal
U/17 Mel Jones	Alex Sheedy	Lily Osborn

Thank you to our coaches and team managers for each of our teams. They were:

Team	Coach	Team Manager
U/18 Arnold	Tristan Webb	Craig Vukman
U/16 Beitzel	Declan McLaughlin	Matt Sheridan
U/16 Mackay	Ben Marget	Martin Rakuscek
U/14 Allen	Tom Humphries	Ricky Moore
U/14 Nolan	Mitch Thomas	Damien Noonan
U/12 Mitchell	Will Maklin	Anneke Flynn
U/12 Browne	Campbell Mole	Brad Niemann
U/12 Claudia Fatone	Hailey Ferris	Shane Mayoh
U/14 Julie Savage	Oliva Thomas	Glenn Wyngaard
U/17 Mel Jones	Nethuli Perera	David Sykes

Thank you to all our clubs who provide great support in nominating players and also providing grounds to host matches. Special thanks to Montrose CC, Lilydale CC, Kilsyth CC, Ringwood CC, Heathmont CC, Croydon CC, Bayswater Park CC, Wantirna South CC and Bayswater CC for making their grounds available.

Special thanks to Paull Attfield and Scott Brasher at Saxon Sports Croydon who provide first class indoor training facilities which enables us to run all our trials and training sessions.

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