



South Mornington JFC TIGER TAILS

ROUND 14 WRAP UP



A Glorious Finish to the Regular Season.

Round 14 brought sunshine, smiles, and a sense of celebration as we wrapped up the home and away season in style. With five teams heading into finals, the club is buzzing with excitement and pride. We also celebrated three of our own as League Leading Goal Kickers — a huge achievement and testament to their hard work and team support:

- Seb Smith - U11 Yellow
- Rafa Merchan - U15
- Romeo Portelli - U16

These boys have led from the front all season and we congratulate them on their outstanding efforts.



ROARYS OFFICIAL DEBUT

Our final club dinner was a fantastic night, full of laughter, connection, and celebration. A special moment came when Stacey from Community Bank Mount Martha officially introduced Roary, our new club mascot. Roary made his first appearance in front of a packed room and was an instant hit with the kids (and a few adults too!).

Thanks to Community Bank Mount Martha, we now have the best mascot on the peninsula— and Roary will be a big part of our club culture moving forward. We're thrilled to have him on board.



AUSKICK FAREWELL & THANKS

Saturday morning saw the final Auskick session of the season, and it couldn't have been more perfect. The sun was shining, Roary was bouncing around, the jumping castle was in full swing, and every Auskicker walked away with a medal and a smile.

We want to give a massive thank you to Belinda & Alex, who have run Auskick for the past two years. Their energy, warmth, and commitment have helped shape the youngest Tigers and set them up for a great future in footy. They were farewelled on Saturday morning with plenty of hugs and heartfelt thanks — they'll be missed!

Also, a huge shoutout to the Bell Family, who ran the BBQ all morning for the Auskickers. The whole family pitched in and made it a great experience for everyone. That's what club spirit looks like.



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U17'S SEND OFF

At our final club dinner, we also took time to farewell our U17s — a fantastic group of young men and families who've been part of the fabric of SMJFC for years. It was great to have them all together for one last club night, to say thank you and celebrate their journey. We're proud of the way they've represented the club, and we look forward to seeing them around in future seasons — whether it's playing, coaching, or just cheering from the sidelines.



SPONSOR SPOTLIGHT

Zambrero Mornington:

Game day awards from Zambrero Mornington are always highly sought after — and they've kept our coaches and team managers well-fed during the vote count. Their support ensures everything runs smoothly behind the scenes, and we're grateful for their ongoing partnership.

Pat Dry Construction:

When it comes to building strong foundations — whether it's homes or football clubs — Pat Dry Construction knows how to get it right. Their support helps us grow stronger every season, and we're proud to have them as part of the SMJFC sponsor family. Thanks to Pat and the team for backing our Tigers.



FINALS BOUND

With five teams heading into finals, the energy around the club is electric. Let's keep the momentum going, support each other, and finish the season with pride. Whether you're on the field, on the boundary, or behind the scenes — every Tiger plays a part.

Thanks to every player, coach, volunteer, and family for making 2025 such a memorable season. We're proud of our Tigers — and we're just getting started.



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COACH ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

As we close out the regular season, we want to acknowledge the incredible work of our coaches — especially those guiding our youngest teams:

U8s, U9s, U10s & U10 Girls:

To Luke, Luke, Ben, Ross, Jamie, Nicho & Kain — thank you for your time, your patience, and your passion. You've helped build the foundations of our club and given these young Tigers a season full of fun, learning, and growth.

U12 Girls, U13s & U14s:

The U12 Girls, in their first season together, showed incredible improvement under coach Lara. From their first training session to their first win, they've grown in confidence and skill every week.

The U13s, led by coach Nathan, had a huge year. They never gave up, always stepped up when asked to fill in, and showed real character.

The U14s, coached by Brad, gave everything to make Finals and only missed out due to other results in the final round. They finished strong and should carry plenty of belief into 2026.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to our final two milestone players for the home and away season!

Kobe Paley notched up an incredible 100 games, and Erena Smith celebrated her 50th game — the first female player to hit a milestone at SMJFC in 10 years!

An amazing achievement, Erena — we can't wait to cheer you on for the next 50! Well done to you both!

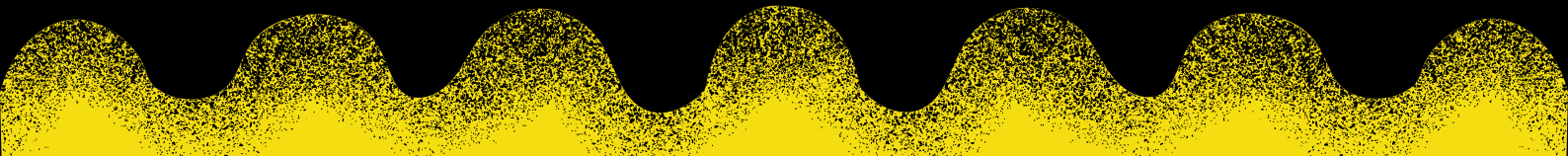
Erena Smith - U12 Girls - 50 games

Kobe Paley - U15 - 100 games



WINEY COW VOLUNTEER OF THE WEEK

We are incredibly grateful to Kane from our U12 & U15 teams for his willingness to help. Two weeks in a row, Kane stepped in to umpire for the U12's when they were short, and he answered the call at the last minute to boundary umpire for the U15's. Your support of our teams is truly valued — thank you for stepping up when it's needed most.





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ROUND 14 RESULTS

U11 Black (22) def Dromana (46):

An undermanned side, topped up with some big-hearted U9s, pushed the ladder leaders for four quarters. A gutsy performance that should give them plenty of belief heading into finals.

U11 Yellow (77) def Somerville Blue (29):

A dominant display from a team hitting their stride at the right time.

U12 (59) def Somerville (21):

A strong finish to the season for the U12s, who played with confidence and teamwork. Great signs heading into finals.

U12 Girls (0) def by Mount Martha (35):

Don't let the score fool you — the improvement from their last meeting (102-0) is enormous. The girls have come so far and should be proud of their season.

U13 (31) def by Narre North Foxes (48):

The boys fought hard and showed plenty of heart. A tough loss, but a season full of growth and resilience.

U14 (20) def by Frankston Dolphins (71):

A tough final game, but the team finished the season with pride. They've built a strong base for next year.

U15 (112) def Pines (36):

A huge win and a statement heading into finals.

U16 (60) def Karingal (28):

Another strong win for a team that's been building beautifully all season.

U17 - Bye:

No game, but a great send-off at the club dinner. Thanks to all the players and families for their contribution.





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ROUND 14 SNAPS

