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## Round 5 update

Round 5 had some interesting results with several teams playing in new divisions after completing the grading period. The U12 Comets remain undefeated in Division 1 with key onballer Harry Sheezel leading the club's goal kicking with 21 goals from 5 games.....can he break the 50 goal barrier this season? Well done to the U11 Comets, U13 Comets, U15 Jets and U16 Jets in recording their first wins of the season.

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## Round 5 Results & Match Reports

### U8 Comets

The Ajax Comets played in perfect Autumn conditions as they faced St Bedes. The game was a tight contest with both teams playing a very defensive game. After a slow start, the Comets played a wonderful second half to dominate the play but unfortunately fell short at the end. The Comets showed continued signs of their improvement, great teamwork and continued to keep up their ferocious tackling and above all their endeavour around the ball. The boys look forward to their next round. The team was led by co-captains Charlie Davis and Zac Rheuben who motivated the boys during the minor breaks.

### U8 Jets

Well what an amazing team effort that all of the boys put in today. In a dominant display we saw all of the U8 Jets players play their best games for the season. There were many highlights, and some amazing efforts, but the coaches loved the way we attacked the ball, the way we tackled really hard, and most of all, the way we made a second effort to get the ball. I think our teamwork was shown best by Toby who unselfishly gave away a goal, very impressive. There were some amazing long kicks, some brilliant marks taken, and some passages of football that looked great. There were a few special mentions. Today Jarrah played an amazing game; he started on fire and only got better. Some of his highlights included a fantastic tackle, and a brilliant goal - awesome game!! Seb played his best match for the season today, a goal saving tackle, great 2nd efforts, was desperate to keep the ball in our forward line, and narrowly missed a goal. Leo kept amazing all of us watching again today with his silky smooth skills, his guts and determination, and his constant effort. He put all his skills on show again today. Zac R has shown great improvement particularly over the last 2 weeks, and today he stood out as a great player. His last quarter included shots at goal, and in the midfield he had heaps of the ball. Dean B started in the backline and played a superb match. Dean is a tough player to beat, and was a great rover for us, well played. Besides Jarrah there were great goals kicked by: Toby, Noah G, Taj, Oliver and Jonty. An amazing match, come to training ready to learn and we will keep getting better. Well done.



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### U9 Comets

The challenge was set for the boys today with the coaches asking the players to kick first 3 goals of the game. The Comets were determined to get off to a great start and they did this with fast running and sharing the ball around with their teammates. They kicked the ball with long kicks to set up the forwards with multiple opportunities. Their next aim was to kick the next 2 goals of the game against the breeze, and before they knew it they were 5 goals ahead at half time! In the 'premiership' quarter the players consolidated their performance again keeping the opposition goalless with solid defensive play. Playing out the final quarter was a chance for all the kids to have fun. It was a terrific team effort with all players contributing showing their outstanding skills and playing hard for their teammates. We enjoyed coaching the boys for the past 2 weeks!

3,2,1... Go Jackas! Regards, Ron and Sean

### U9 Jets

Lot of positives to take out of the game, the team played well together and showed they could move the ball quickly. The players encouraged each other on the field and helped each other out. The boys didn't need the scoreboard to know that they won the game and they gave a passionate rendition of the club song in the rooms. Today's captain and birthday boy Jake Factor kicked three goals, Caleb Epstein snapped a great goal and Itai, Leo and Manny were amongst the many strong performances. We still have room to improve though and we look forward to training each week!

### U10 Comets

In a very high standard Under 10s game, the Ajax Comets had a hard day in the office against a quality opposition in the East Malvern Knights. Although the Knights took the chocolates at the end of the day, the Comets were sensational in their commitment all day to tackling, chasing, pressuring and winning the ball first. Our backs spoilt well and did their best to stop the opposition but the Knights were able to hit the scoreboard just a little too often. The Comets mids ran tirelessly all day and often ran over the top of its opposition with our trademark overlap run and ball sharing by handball. Our forwards tried hard all day but weren't able to enjoy enough quality delivery into the forward line to convert enough opportunities to goal but our pressure on the Knights defenders was first class and they never won an easy ball in their defence. Overall, the Knights had just a few too many players in form on the day and we look forward to the return trip to the other side of the Princess Hwy later in the year. Well done Jackas!!!

### U10 Jets

The challenge to test their skills and hardness at the ball against a bigger opposition in a higher division really got the boys fired up and ready to play. We welcomed back for their first games of the year Paca and Houseman. From the first bounce where we got the ball out of the middle with the combination of Hart and Epstein and onto small forward Dean Jacobs for a goal in the first 12 seconds, really set the scene for a strong performance. The boys worked very hard for all 4 quarters. The ball moved up and down the ground through the zones consistently throughout the game. Ollie Kranz and Luca Glance were standouts in defence. All players showed at various times that they have the ability to contribute in a positive way to the team. Unfortunately even though we had the greater share of possession throughout the game we were not able to convert enough of our forward movements into goals. We will continue to work on our long kicking to position, man on man play and our hard running over the coming weeks. Looking forward to our next challenge.



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### U11 Comets

Ajax 9.3 (57) def Mordialloc Braeside 3.5 (23)

Goals: Becker 3, Faigen 2, Feder, Jacobs, Zielinski

Best: Becker, Faigen, Nirens, Segman, Zielinski

Today the Comets showed that if we all switched on we are capable of playing some beautiful football. Playing for the first time on Oval 1, we had the chance to take the game on and were to find teammates with some clever kicking and handballing. The team kicked accurately for goals and we were able to comfortably post our first win of the season. Special mentions to Avi Segman, Mia Zielinski, Jonah Faigen and Josh Nirens for consistently being among the best players for the first five rounds.

### U11 Jets

Ajax 7.9 (51) def St Paul's McKinnon 6.10 (46)

Goals: Pizer 3, Krongold 1, Nathan 1, Okun 1, Worth 1

Best: Gaspar, Graham, Pike, Pizer, Smorgon

Some outstanding individual and team efforts confirmed today that the Jets promotion to Division 2 is justified. We were led superbly by Nick Pike, who's reading of the play gets better each week and Kai Pizer, who almost missed due to injury yet ran rings around his opponents. We need to bring the same level of intensity weekly and can't afford to relax as we did today, almost letting a 6 goal lead be chased down. Special mentions to Jake Joseph for his great contested work, Jake Okun with a terrific goal when we really needed it and Daniel Nathan who always gives his all.

### U12 Comets

Ajax 10.8 (68) def Brighton Beach JFC 3.2 (20)

Goals: H Sheezel 5, Chalfon 2, Chrapot, Eliau, Rothfield.

Best: Alter, Chalfon, H Sheezel, Spicer, Weller

The Ajax Under 12 Comets played strong aggressive football to overpower Brighton Beach in the first game of the regular season following regrading. The game was the first time the Comets played on the main oval at Princes Park and they relished the wide open spaces, dominating for most of the game through an outstanding midfield led by Harry Sheezel who also finished with five goals. Remy Spicer, Dean Alter and Corey Waszbutzki were in everything on the ball at the stoppages and around the ground while Guy Chalfon was strong at centre half forward. A number of other players in the side all over the ground won their positions in a very strong team effort which justified the Jackers' high ranking in the first division of Under 12 competition.



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### U12 Jets

Dingley 4.0 (24) def Ajax 3.2 (20)

Goals: Fell, Green, Mooseek

Best: Alford, Feiglin, Fell, Green, Mooseek

The Jets jumped out of the blocks quickly and had a fantastic first quarter. Saul and the onballers won in the middle and our Captain and 50 gamer, Jonah, fought hard creating opportunities up forward and played a significant part in all of our goals. The quarter saw Aden kick a goal with his first kick in his first match (and he had an impact all day) and Natan kicked his first goal after 4 seasons of football! Natan was a 4 quarter powerhouse and Behm controlled the half backline. During the 2nd and 3rd quarters we tired and lost our structure letting Dingley back into the game. Yoav, in his first game of the year, and Jamie, both ran hard all day and provided many opportunities for the team. Our other Captain, Lachie worked like a demon on the wing and down back and Paca in his first game for the year was solid down back all day.

In the last the whole team lifted showing real spirit and fight. Ryan worked himself into the ground and Bizza had a break out game in defence. In the end the boys did not get there but their tackling, work rate and commitment shined through.

### U13 Comets

Ajax 8.13 (61) def Oakleigh 4.5 (29)

Goals: Briskin 2, Spark 2, Davis, Efron, Siegel, Vogel

Best: Antman, Ehrlich, Klooger, Nissen, Szer, Vogel

The boys were rewarded for several weeks of hard work at training with a well deserved first win of the season. Fast ball movement through the middle of the field, along with a desire to win the ball in the contest ensured we picked up a comfortable victory.

### U13 Jets

Ajax 11.9 (75) def East Malvern 2.4 (16)

Goals: Berman 2, Dzenciol 2, Israel 2, Jacobs 2, Felbel, Mond, Rostkier

Best: Berman, Israel, Jacobs, Lowe, Rostkier, Shostak

U13 Jets had an influx of new players both from being rostered off from last week and a couple down from the Comets and there was a concern that the multiple changes would have an impact on our structures, team spirit and effort but it could not be further from the case. The boys went hard and the effort was consistent across the group. Unfortunately the game plan was not executed as well as we would have liked but we had a great win to start the refreshed competition and ladder. It all started with Marley Israel and Ari Barsheshet dominating in the ruck and Brad Lowe, Brett Jacobs, Josh Liddell and Jacob Shostak getting first use of the ball and taking advantage in getting the ball down to our forwards Jonah Berman and Coby Felbel whom both kicked multiple goals. What was particularly pleasing was the run off the back line by Dov Rostkier and Joel Paluch they were both hard at the ball and gave us great run. Overall pleasing result but will require better when playing the better teams in the competition.



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### U14 Comets

Beaumaris 22.9 (141) def AJAX 4.2 (26)

Goals: Bursztyn, H. Carp, Micmacher, Mitsel

Best: Brick, Marks, Schauder, Sheezel, Taranto

The one-sided score line belied an impressive display of intensity, vigour and a positive attitude from the entire team. Division 1 was definitely a step-up and despite the skilful and physical game that Beaumaris brought to Princes Park, the Comets should feel comfortable that they competed strongly and didn't take a backward step.

### U14 Jets

Waverley Park U14 Brown 14.14 (98) def Ajax 0.4 (4)

Goals:

Best: Gelfand, Kessel, New, Waislitz, Weller, Zeimer

Once again our last quarter gave us reason to be proud in an otherwise tough day. 4 quarter efforts will result in more success. Let's hope starting from next week we can do that and turn our season around!

### U15 Comets

St. Peters FC 11.13 (79) def Ajax 10.6 (66)

Goals: Jacobs 3, Cowan 2, Elbaum, Levine, Machlin, Siegel, Szuster

Best: Cowan, Jacobs, Levine, Nirens, Nissen

No match report.

### U15 Jets

Ajax 8.9 (57) def Highett Cheltenham 5.12 (42)

Goals: Klein 2, Sossen 2, Winik 2, Feldman, Franks

Best: Gordon, Pacanowski, Pincus, Winik, Zelwer

First win for the season! Great team effort and the best footy we've played so far. Great to see the boys hang on in the last quarter. We've proven to ourselves that we can play great footy and win matches. Whilst not called out in the best 5, Niv Lang played a gutsy & heroic game and our defence worked well together to stifle opportunities for the opposition.



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### U16 Comets

East Malvern 7.13 (55) def Ajax 7.6 (48)

Goals: Michelson 3, Davis, Gabriel, Gold, Lincoln

Best: La Sala, Lincoln, Michelson, Nankin, Smart

Momentum is a wonderful thing. When your team has it, it can bring a win, when you're playing against it... well let's just say we found out today. Three quarters of solid footy and a last quarter we played panic stupid footy. Kicking to their strength which was their tall players. We should have moved footy into space and ran hard for the footy causing contest with OUR strength which is speed. We learn today and move on because just as quick as our game changed today we must pick ourselves up and come back ready to do better next week. Dave & Jonah

### U16 Jets

Ajax 10.12 (72) def Mordialloc Braeside 8.4 (52)

Goals: Hurwitz 3, Procel 2, Brott, Glick, Olshansky, Pat, Tenebaum

Best: Danby, Hurwitz, Klooger, Shulman, Slonim

With the grading games complete, the tinkering of the team and game style also complete the Jets were at full strength for the first time this season. It was now officially game 1 and we were ready to put in a 4 quarter performance. Out of the blocks with a bang, the Jets played attacking long kicking fast running footy and had 4 goals on the board at end of Q1. The Jets continued to attack at all costs in Q2 and were still in front at the main break. The message was to keep getting to every contest and hit it at speed. The boys responded and the team style of footy had us 2 goals up at Q3. It was all in for Q4 and to keep playing relentless style to wear down the opposition. The defenders battled like never before all throughout Q4 taking intercept marks and kicking long clearance balls out of defence. The mids provided 2 way run all quarter and the forwards continued to provide options. It was a 4 quarter performance that had us run out winners by 4 goals, and well deserved. The team belted out the song in the rooms like a rock concert. Every player played their role and the season is off and running. Need to back it up next week!!!!Overall a competitive performance, with room for improvement.

### U17

Ajax 13.14 (92) def St Peters 8.11 (59)

Goals: Meltzer 5, Debinski 3, Faraday 2, Syber 2, Spilkin

Best: Meltzer, Shenker Teperman, Velleman, Williams

In the first half we really didn't play to our game plan. There were not enough team sacrifices (1percenters). This showed on the score board where we were only 7 points ahead of inferior opposition at half time. In the second half we took control and got to the ball first resulting in a solid 33 point victory.



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## MILESTONES



Ethan Siegel – U15 Comets – 100 games  
Photos courtesy of Nat Siegel.

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## AROUND THE GROUNDS



U11 Comets celebrating their first win of the season.  
Photos courtesy of Rob Harris.



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U15 Comets  
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## SENIOR RESULTS

Seniors v Parkdale	2-3-25 to 6-11-47
Reserves v Parkdale	7-7-49 to 7-7-49
Thirds v De La Salle	6-9-45 to 10-9-69
U19s v Uhs Vu Fc	11-8-74 to 5-7-37
Jackettes v SKOB Saints	3-6-24 to 5-2-32

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