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Welcome to the 2015 season with the AJAX Junior Football Club.

Following a successful 2014 season we are looking forward to an even better and more exciting 2015. The club continues to thrive with strong registrations in 2015 and a vibrant Auskick program. We have instituted for the first time an AJAX Academy program that we hope will formalise the pathway from junior to senior football. Under the guidance of our new Director of Football Nick Rutley, and with the oversight of the new senior coach Marty Pask, we are excited about the role the Academy will play.

Highlights of the 2014 season included:

- U13 Premiership and Lightning Carnival victory for the U9 Jets
- Five other teams (U12 Comets, U12 Jets, U14 Jets, U15s & U17s) also made the finals.
- We partnered with St Kilda City and Ormond, creating a combined U15 girls team, with 5 representatives from AJAX.
- SMJFL Best & Fairest award to Nicolas Taranto (U12) for the second consecutive year. Toby Lipton (U13) and Dean Spilkin (U15) also won Best & Fairest awards while Beni Michelson (U17) and Adam Ossip (U14) finished in the top three.
- Interleague team and development squad memberships for Ashley Krakaur (U16 Div 1), Kane Nissenbaum, Jordan Benge & Jordan Cohen (U16 Div 2), Ari Syber (U15 Div 2), Adam Ossip (U14 Div 2), Toby Lipton & Hudson Levine (U13 Div 1) and Benji Krongold (U13 (Div 2).
- Benjamin Michelson (U17s), named Club Champion for the second consecutive year.

In 2014 we fielded our first Under 8's team and are thrilled that we will again have enough kids to have an Under 8's team in season 2015. We know the players have a wide choice of sports to choose from and we are pleased that so many have again chosen footy. AFL is our national game and it engenders a special passion - from our youngest Auskick members right through to our Under 17's group. This year our new Director of Football Nick Rutley will coach our 'senior' junior team – the U17s. We are excited about the prospects for this team in 2015 as many of the boys will form the backbone of the senior club in the years to come. Nick will liaise closely with the senior coaching team to ensure that the boys are enthused about the years ahead with the club. Each year in this welcome letter I'm proud to introduce the people behind the running of the club. The club is only as good as the dedicated volunteers behind it:

Executive:

Daniel Antman – President

John Deane – Secretary and VP Administration

Jeff Wise – VP Operations

Rod Nirens – VP Football Operations

Open – Treasurer

David Michelson – VP Risk Management, Safety and Club Advocate

Committee:

Harry Jacobs – Website and Registrations

David Zivin – Publicity

Mark Davis – Immediate Past President – General committee member

David Fisher – Sponsorships, Jackas and general committee member

Danny Ehrlich – Equipment

Club Policies

I wanted to also take this opportunity to remind you that the club's policies are available on the ajfc.com.au website. It is important that you familiarise yourself with these policies which cover important issues like our anti-bullying position, player rotation, and player/parent behaviour standards.

Safety

Every team has an appointed trainer who is required to go through our first aid training program (although some of our trainers are doctors and have the necessary skills and experience to manage our players' well-being). Neither the coaches or team managers are allowed to overrule a trainer who makes a call based on the well-being of our players. Where the trainers believe the players well-being is at risk, they have the right to remove the player from the game at any stage. It is also important to note that the SMJFL (our governing league) provide a 'bronze' level of insurance coverage as part of our affiliation fees to the league. At great expense to the club, we upgrade the insurance coverage to the highest platinum level. Any insurance enquires should be made to John Deane at secretary@ajfc.com.au.

Parent and Player Behaviour

There are very strict rules regarding both on and off field behaviour for junior football. Refer to the behaviour policy on our web site. Please keep in mind that the team manager is your first port of call if there are any issues before, during or after a game. Unfortunately our players were on the receiving end of some unacceptable behaviour last year. The team managers have been briefed on how to handle incidents. From the AJFC perspective, we set and expect high standards for behaviour (both parent and spectator) - this is to protect our brand and reputation.

It is an opportune time to remind all players and parents that no activities can take place at training or on game days without the express written permission of the club. The definition of 'activity' is very broad so we strongly urge you not to undertake any activity on or around the playing areas unless the club has authorised it in writing. Submissions need to be detailed and in writing. Please keep in mind that the club takes the issue of privacy very seriously. Photographing or video taping kids (other than your own) may not be permissible. Please always check with us first. While it is not uncommon to have parents (from both sides) take photographs and videos, we ask that you are respectful of people's rights. If in doubt, ask us.

2015 Sponsors

I would like to thank all sponsors of the Club at all levels. We greatly appreciate the ongoing support of Major Club Sponsor Teska Carson, and Club Sponsors Antler, Barton Glass, Eskal and The Pratt Foundation. This year we are delighted to welcome two new club sponsors - South Yarra BMW and Sound Insurance. Sound is the new preferred insurance provider for the club and members. We also acknowledge the great support of Knight Building, The Dental Co and welcome our newest club supporter, The Spotlight Foundation. The contributions from our Platinum, Gold, Silver and Bronze JACKAS, as well as our Club and Major Sponsors, continues to assist the Club in providing the best possible facilities, equipment and playing environment for our players.

While information contained in this handbook is correct at the time of printing, things may change. For the most up-to-date information on Club matters, policies, milestones and events please go to www.ajfc.com.au where you can also access links to the League and match results.

Together with the committee of the AJAX Junior Football Club, I wish you an enjoyable and successful season in 2015.

Daniel Antman

President, AJAX Junior Football Club

Statement of Purpose & Values

The AJAX Junior Football Club aims to provide an opportunity for the Jewish youth of Melbourne to participate in Australian Rules Football and enhance their health and wellbeing through organised sport. The Club will at all times endeavour to provide for the health, welfare and well-being of its players, supporters and spectators. This aim will be achieved by promoting and developing the following values and objectives:

- A sense of social, community and Jewish values.
- An environment to nurture the physical and mental development of our youth.
- Respect for officials, opposition players and supporters.
- The virtues of fair and disciplined play.
- Provide opportunities for all players according to their level of ability.

Our aims will be realised by providing as far as reasonable:

- Competent coaches and assistants.
- Adequate facilities, amenities and equipment.
- Supervised social functions encouraging family participation.
- Regular communication and consultation with players and parents.
- Active leadership and management of the Club.

All players, coaches, officials, parents, supporters and committee members have a responsibility at all times when representing the AJAX Junior Football Club to conduct themselves in an appropriate manner consistent with these values.

The Club will be an active member of the SMJFL and Maccabi Victoria, and foster close relations with the AJAX Amateur Football Club.

Contact Details - Committee

Position	Name	Phone	Email
President	Daniel Antman	0418 230 494	president@ajfc.com.au
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Vice President – Football (& Match Committee Chair)	Rod Nirens	0411 330 000	football@ajfc.com.au
Vice President – Operations (& Team Managers Manager)	Jeff Wise	0418 383 266	operations@ajfc.com.au
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League affiliation: South Metro Junior Football League

Website and other useful links: AJAX Junior Football Club www.ajfc.com.au

AJAX Amateur Football Club	www.ajaxfc.com.au
South Metro Junior Football League	www.smjfl.com.au
Maccabi Victoria	www.macvic.com.au

Auskick

Auskick Coordinator is Darren Nirens. Please direct all enquiries to Darren.

Auskick will be held on Oval 1 at Princes Park in Season 2015 from 8.30am till 9:45 am.

Playing Uniform

The following is a list of all the football gear required by the club's players:

- A properly fitting mouthguard.
- Red, white and black 'hooped' socks with black tops, bearing the SMJFL logo, purchased through registration.
- Two pairs of football shorts (black shorts and white shorts), bearing the SMJFL logo, purchased through registration.
- A pair of football boots –moulded studs only, must not have metal or screw in studs.
- Under 8s through to Under 11s must wear a helmet.
- 'Skins' or bike-short type pants are not compulsory but can be worn. If they are worn for matches, they must be plain, (beige or black in colour), with no markings visible and worn under football shorts.
- The club will supply football jumpers for all players, to be returned to the club at the conclusion of the season.
- No watches or jewellery may be worn at training or games.
- Gloves may only be worn if required for medical reasons. Approval must be given by the SMJFL prior to wearing the glove, which requires a doctor's certificate to be submitted to the league, and an official permission document returned and kept by the Team Manager for presentation to the umpires prior to the commencement of the game.

A player wearing incorrect gear at a game will attract a fine for the club.

Please note that players without a mouthguard, and for U8s-U11s without a helmet, will not be allowed to play or train.

Bags are to be provided to each player in 2015. Fleecy tops for new U8 & U9 players.

All players are expected to bring their own water bottles to both training and matches.

Club Song

Who are we?
Where are we?
We're the boys from AJAX Football Club.
We fight for victory, losers we'll never be
As we fight for the flag
AJAX. AJAX. Up the ladder we go higher
Every forward is a flyer
Every backman is a trier
AJAX. AJAX
AJAX Football club is here.

Home Ground

AJAX Junior Football Club plays all home matches at Princes Park, Dover Street, South Caulfield (Mel 68 B6).

While teams may at times play on different ovals from time-to-time:

U8-U12 will play on Oval 4

U13-U17 play on Oval 1

Auskick is held on Oval 1

Communications from your Team Manager will be the most accurate and up-to-date detail on game venues and times.



Club Sponsors

The AJAX Junior Football Club and the AJAX Amateur Football Club (Seniors) are jointly sponsored by the same organisations and share the sponsorship funds. Our Major Club Sponsor in 2015 is once again Teska Carson. We also have six Club Sponsors in 2015: Antler Luggage, Barton Glass, Eskal, Pratt Foundation, Sound Insurance and South Yarra BMW. We greatly appreciate the commitment and contribution of these organisations in supporting the development of football in the Jewish community. Their support enables us to provide top class facilities for our players.

In addition their sponsorship, several of our sponsors provide special deals for Club members, and also provide additional support to the club when Club members use their services or purchase their products. Please refer to the Club website for further details on current offers.

Our Jackas program provides a way for Club supporters to contribute financially to the running of both the Junior and Senior Clubs. We welcome all our Platinum, Gold and Silver Jackas to season 2015, and thank them for their ongoing support.

Registration

Players can be registered on-line at our website www.ajfc.com.au or the documentation can be manually completed by requesting a form from our registrar who can provide the document by email.

Registrations will normally open by end of January with a close date in early March (dates can vary). Registrations will only be accepted after this date if positions are still available within the designated age groups. Team selection policies may also affect registration close dates.

Registration Fees per Family for Season 2014 are: 1st player \$275 2nd player \$245 3rd player \$230. In addition, all players contribute \$60 towards a pair of SMJFL prescribed socks and two pairs of shorts.

Other equipment including (but not limited to) mouthguards and helmets need to be provided by the players. An AJAX Junior Football Club playing jumper will be supplied to each player at the commencement of the season and returned to the club at the conclusion of playing season.

Insurance

AJAX Junior Football Club is a member of the South Metro Junior Football League. As part of this affiliation we are required to take out a minimum level of insurance. The club executive has taken the decision to upgrade the insurance coverage to the highest level offered by the League. In the event that you child is injured while participating in an official AJAX Junior Football Club activity (games or training) and requires medical attention, you should immediately contact David Michelson (Vice President Risk Management) on 0414 663 154 or Club Secretary, John Deane, on 0437 587 839 to provide details of the injury and the circumstances in which it has occurred.

It is important to note that the insurance policy taken out by AJAX is NOT a substitute for Medicare or private health insurance. It may not cover, or fully cover, all circumstances. There are also predetermined limits on coverage for certain events. Details of the policy can be found on the SMJFL website and you are strongly encouraged to review the full terms and conditions.

You should consider what this policy does and does not cover when making any decisions about your own individual insurance circumstances and take out any additional cover personally that you deem appropriate as AJAX will not be held liable for any loss, damage or expense incurred. If you would like further information about the club's insurance policy please email your query to secretary@ajfc.com.au.

Policies

Code of Conduct Policy – Players

Have Respect:

1. For yourself
 2. For your team mates
 3. For your coaches
 4. For everyone else that helps out around the club
 5. For club equipment/property
- Be responsible for your words and actions.
 - Be proud and make the club proud of everything you do and say.
 - When the Coach/Assistant Coach speaks, everyone else is quiet and listens.
 - Be early for training and games. If you can't train or play, advise your Coach and/or your Team Manager as soon as you are aware you won't make it.
 - No arguing at all with the umpires. The umpire's decision is always right.
 - Control your temper and do not use bad language.
 - Become aware of and play by the Laws of Australian Rules Football.
 - Always attempt to follow your coach's instructions at games or training and try your hardest.
 - Be a good sport. Make every effort to shake your opponents hand before and after every match. Be humble in victory and gracious in defeat. (Sing the club song in the rooms after the game and not out on the ground).

Code of Conduct Policy – Parents and Spectators

- Familiarise yourself with the AJFC's Purpose, Policies, Procedures and Codes of Conduct and abide by them.
- Ensure your children arrive punctually for training and games with appropriate gear (eg helmet, mouth guard and drinks – correct colour football shorts and appropriate uniform for games).
- Do not yell at, ridicule or scold players for making a mistake.
- Recognise and applaud good play from all players, not just our own.
- Respect decisions of all officials. Do not abuse or approach umpires and do not abuse officials or engage in discussion with them (see your Team Manager).
- Encourage your children to play by the Laws of Australian Football.
- Condemn the use of violence in all forms, whether it is by spectators, coaches, officials or players. Support all efforts to remove verbal and physical abuse from junior football.
- Encourage the principle that honest effort is just as important as winning.
- Do not engage in sledging. Do not use foul language towards or harass any players, officials or spectators. It will not be tolerated by the AJFC under any circumstances.
- Do not undermine the efforts of our Coaches or officials. Do not approach coaches, at all, during games. Recognise and acknowledge the value and contribution made by these coaches and officials.
- Respect the rights, dignity and worth of every young person regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background or religion.
- Assist with match day and training tasks wherever possible.
- Encourage other persons to follow these principles.

- Obtain a Working with Children Check (WWC), if required by and in accordance with the Working With Children Act 2005 (Vic.) if you are entrusted with a role in any capacity at the AJFC (team manager, trainer etc.).
- No parent/guardian is permitted to formally or informally approach any player or coach before or during a match or training session, for the purposes of discussing any football related matters without the express permission of the Team Manager.
- No parent/guardian, other than the Coach and or Team Manager is authorised to send any text message, email or other communications to any player/s or parent/s, whether as part of a group or individual communication, in respect to any football related matter.
- A parent/guardian/supporter, irrespective of anything else, agrees not to act in a manner or undertake any action that is inconsistent with any the AJFC policy or may otherwise bring the AJFC into disrepute.

Penalties for the above offences may include, but are not limited to:

- A hearing before the committee; and
- Paying or reimbursing the club for any fine or fines handed down by the South Metro Junior Football League in relation to the behavior of any AJFC parent or supporter.

NB: Penalties are to be larger for any parent or parents acting on behalf of the AJFC in an official capacity.

By registering our children with the AJFC we agree to abide by these principles. We support the Club in its undertakings and accept the Club will take any necessary disciplinary actions including suspension and banning (where warranted) of any players and or parents and spectators for repeated or serious breaches of these Codes of Conduct.

Code of Conduct Policy – Coaches

All coaches of the AJFC agree to the following:

- Commit to uphold the AJAX Junior Football Club's coaches code of conduct.
- Each coach understands that this is an integral component of their appointment and they must maintain a standard of behaviour and conduct themselves in the best interests of the Club, the game and the players and others in their care.
- They agree to represent themselves in an honest manner, without bringing the Club, Coaching or the Game into disrepute.

All coaches will uphold the following principles:

- Abide by the policies and procedures of the AJAX Junior Football Club and the rules of the SMJFL.
- Respect the rights, dignity and worth of all individuals within the context of their involvement in Australian Rules Football. All coaches will refrain from any discriminatory practices on the basis of race, religion, ethnic background, or special ability/disability.
- Be reasonable in the demands they make on the time commitments of the players in their care, having due consideration for their health and well-being.
- Refrain from any form of personal abuse or unnecessary physical contact with the players in their care.
- Consent to a police screening check in accordance with Victoria's Police Screening/Check Policy.
- Have due consideration for varying maturity and ability levels of their players when designing practice schedules, practice activities and involvement in competition.
- Will always stress and monitor safety.
- In recognising the significance of injury and sickness, they will seek and follow registered trainers and any professional medical advice concerning the return of injured or ill players to training and/or games as applicable.
- Keep informed regarding sound principles of coaching and skill development, and of factors relating to the welfare of their players and commit to attaining level 1 coaching accreditation as a minimum during the course of the year.
- At all times display and teach appropriate sporting behaviour, ensuring that players understand and practice fair play and teach the AFL Laws of the Game.

- Demonstrate respect for umpires, opponents, coaches, administrators, other officials, parents and spectators.
- Ensure that players are involved in a positive environment where skill learning and development are priorities and not overshadowed by a desire to win.
- Reject the use of performance enhancing substances in sport and support the Club's policies and recommendations on drug use, no smoking and responsible serving and use of alcohol.
- As an AJFC coach, they acknowledge that they are representing the AJFC, AAFC, Maccabi and the Jewish community generally and will do nothing that might bring the name or reputation of any of them into disrepute.
- Will seek to improve their coaching skills throughout the season and attend coaching seminars and other functions/events that are aimed at helping them to do so.
- Will provide all reports as required by the match committee including weekly game reports and an end of season reviews for the year book.

Privacy Social Media Policy

The Ajax Junior Football Club (AJFC) is bound by the National Privacy Principles (NPP) as set out in the Commonwealth Privacy Act (1988) and certain of the Health Privacy Principles (HPP) as set out in the Victorian Health Records Act 2001.

Collectively these principles influence how, pursuant to this Privacy Policy, the AJFC collects, maintains, uses, discloses and secures personal and health information regarding the AJFC's members and their families.

The AJFC reserves the right to amend the Privacy Policy at any time and from time to time.

Definitions:

For the purpose of this policy:

"AJFC Privacy Officer" means the person appointed by the AJFC Committee to implement this policy and oversee general privacy issues for the AJFC.

"health information" means information or an opinion about:

- the physical, mental or psychological health (at any time) of an individual;
- a disability (at any time) of an individual;
- an individual's expressed wishes about the future provision of health services to him or her; or
- a health service provided, or to be provided, to an individual that is also personal information.

"personal information" means information or an opinion (including information or an opinion forming part of a database), whether true or not, and whether recorded in a material form or not, about an individual whose identity is apparent, or can reasonably be ascertained from the information or opinion.

"sensitive information" means:

(a) information or an opinion about an individual's:

- (i) racial or ethnic origin; or
- (ii) political opinions; or
- (iii) membership of a political association; or
- (iv) religious beliefs or affiliations; or

- (v) philosophical beliefs; or
- (vi) membership of a professional or trade association; or
- (vii) membership of a trade union; or
- (viii) sexual preferences or practices; or
- (ix) criminal record;

that is also personal information; or

(b) health information about an individual.

The collection of information

The AJFC will collect personal information when it is necessary for it to perform the many functions or activities which are part of operating an amateur sporting organisation.

In the case of health information, in accordance with the relevant HPP, this will further only be collected when the individual in question (or their parent/guardian) has consented, or for instance if collection is required by law, or is necessary to prevent a serious and imminent threat to the life, health, safety or welfare of any individual.

Typically the personal and health information the AJFC collects will include (but is not limited to) information regarding:

- the contact details of players and their families;
- player's personal details such as their name and age;
- player's medical history and any medical needs;
- player's games history (if any); and
- other information deemed relevant by the AJFC Committee.

Such information will be collected so as to enable the AJFC to perform functions and activities such as:

- Determining whether individuals are capable of participating in the AJFC;
- Conducting administrative tasks such as registering members, ordering uniforms and paying membership fees,
- Making contact with players, their families and any other organisations it deals with; and
- Ensuring that medical attendees can adequately and appropriately treat children if injured.

In compliance with its privacy obligations the AJFC will only collect personal and health information in a fair, lawful and not unreasonably intrusive manner.

The AJFC will also, where practicable, ensure that at or before the time of collection, individuals from whom personal or health information is being obtained, are aware of factors such as why the information is being collected, to whom it may be disclosed and of their ability to access, where appropriate, such information at a later date. Individuals will also be informed of any law which requires the information to be provided and any consequences which come from a failure to provide such information. For instance if a child's correct medical history is not provided to the AJFC, for personal safety reasons, that child may not be allowed to register as a member.

Where reasonable and practicable the AJFC will only obtain information about an individual from that individual or their parent/guardian.

Use and disclosure of information

The AJFC will typically only use personal and health information for the purpose it was collected.

In accordance with the NPPs and HPPs, the AJFC may however in limited circumstances use information for a secondary purpose. This may occur for instance if the individual or their parent/guardian have consented to this, the secondary use or disclosure is related to the primary purpose and would reasonably be expected, or if there is a serious and imminent threat to an individual's health or safety.

Without consent, the AJFC will only in limited circumstances disclose information to third persons.

Unless advised to the contrary, the AJFC will assume that individuals and their parent/guardian consent to the AJFC disclosing information (when necessary) to third parties such as:

- AJFC, Ajax Amateur Football Club, Victoria Maccabi;
- SMJFL officials involved in AJFC activities;
- Medical personnel (including those called to attend injured members); and
- Fellow team members and their parents/guardians (in relation to personal contact details only).

Unless advised to the contrary, the AJFC will also assume that individuals and their parent/guardian consent to the AJFC disclosing information as required by the constitution and rules of the AJFC and the SMJFL.

The AJFC will also disclose information when required to do so by law.

Information quality

The AJFC will take reasonable steps to make sure that the information it collects, uses or discloses about an individual is accurate, complete and up to date. Parents/guardians can assist the AJFC in fulfilling this obligation, by keeping the club informed when information, such as contact details or medication needs change.

Information security

The AJFC will take reasonable steps to make sure that the information it has regarding an individual is not lost, misused or inappropriately accessed or disclosed.

Openness

In accordance with NPP 5 and HPP 5, the AJFC has prepared this privacy policy. The AJFC will make this policy publicly available on its website and will also send a hardcopy to any person who requests that they do so.

On application to the AJFC Privacy Officer, the AJFC will also take reasonable steps to inform an individual (or their parent/guardian) of the type of information the AJFC has generally collected on them and how, as well as for what purposes such information is held, used and disclosed.

Access and correction

Generally individuals and their parents have a right to access, and if necessary, seek the correction of information held by the AJFC. You can seek access to your information as held by the AJFC by contacting the AJFC's Privacy Officer in writing.

The AJFC will provide you with access to the information it holds regarding you or your child/children unless an exception under the NPPs or HPPs applies. For instance the AJFC will not provide access to such information if doing so would have an unreasonable impact on the privacy of a third person.

If access is denied, the reason(s) for doing so will be provided to you by the AJFC.

If access is granted, the AJFC may charge a reasonable amount for doing so.

If information held by the AJFC is shown to be inaccurate or out-of-date, the AJFC will take reasonable steps to remedy this.

Anonymity

Wherever it is lawful and practicable, individuals will have the option of not identifying themselves when dealing with AJFC. For example, donations can be made to AJFC anonymously.

Sensitive information

In accordance with the NPPs and HPPs the AJFC will only collect sensitive information about an individual in certain limited circumstances, for instance if the individual and/or their parent/guardian have consented, or if such collection is necessary to prevent or lessen a serious and imminent threat to the health of any individual and the individual concerned is unable to provide consent.

Photographs

AJFC reserves the right to, and may at any time and from time to time, use both official and unofficial photographs and video recordings, including those photographs and video recordings taken by or on behalf of the AJFC its members or supporters for media, promotional and other like purposes including but not limited to website, newsletters, year book and other publications.

Any photographs and video recordings in the possession of or on behalf of the AJFC, howsoever obtained are deemed to be the property of the AJFC.

Parent or guardian consent is implied upon the annual registration of a player unless expressly advised by such parent or guardian in writing to the Secretary of AJFC who shall maintain a register for such purpose.

AJFC Social Media Policy

Communications using email or social networking media

Player and parent contact details are provided solely for official AJFC use and for communications between team officials, players and parents.

Email and contact on any social networking sites, such as Facebook, Twitter and YouTube must not be used to:

- (a) bully, harass, threaten, defame, libel, disparage, malign; or
- (b) criticise, discriminate or make racist or sexist comments about

other players, coaches, umpires, sponsors or any other person associated with the AJFC.

Content of all communications by team managers, coaches or other AJFC representatives to players must contain appropriate language, be in an appropriate tone and use appropriate subject matter.

Unacceptable communications will be dealt with in accordance with the AJFC's disciplinary policies.

Team Managers and Coaches

Team Managers and Coaches must not "friend request" any players on social networking sites, write or post pictures or refer to players other than in accordance with the policies set out below.

For Under 8's, 9's, 10's and 11's teams the use of email or social networking media is not permitted for communications between team managers/coaches and players.

For Under 12's to under 17's teams team managers may at the start of the season and periodically during the season (if appropriate) email parents to ascertain whether individual parents or guardians will consent to direct communications using email or social networking media between team managers/coaches and players. Once the team manager has obtained the necessary express written consent from a parent or guardian for direct communication by email or social networking media with a player, the team manager will provide the email address or other social networking site details as provided by the parent or guardian for direct communication with that player and may elect to use these methods of communication during the season for the AJFC purposes. Team managers shall maintain a proper record for such purpose.

AJFC reserves the right to modify, discontinue or replace its Use of Email and Social Networking Media Policy or any part of it from time to time.

Further information, inquiries, and complaints

If you require any further information regarding this Policy, or you wish to complain to the AJFC in relation to the manner in which it has dealt with your personal information, please contact the AJFC Privacy Officer:

Name: John Deane

E-mail: secretary@ajfc.com.au

Team Selection Policy

This document has been produced to clarify the team selection process. It is Club policy to support our Coaches in any reasonable decisions they make. The Club requires our Coaches to adhere to the following guidelines as far as practicable.

If there are two sides in the same age group, it is the wish of the club to play the two sides in different divisions.

Age Group's U/8, U/9, U/10, & U/11

A player must be at least 7 years of age as at 1 January in any given year to be eligible to apply for registration and has to be accepted for registration by the Association (the AJAX Junior Football Club Executive).

In these age groups, the emphasis is placed on participation and enjoyment. This means that winning games is not paramount. Additional goals are the acquisition of football skills and the nurturing of physical and emotional development and well-being.

Where two sides are in the same age group, it is the wish of the Club that the two sides will be picked by the Coaches to form two 'equal' teams. The Match Committee will assist the Coaches to select the sides if required and the Match Committee retains the right to make the final decision.

Generally, a maximum of 25 players per side. Second team only confirmed after 44 registrations are received. Players will be registered on a first come first served basis.

Age Groups, U/12, U/13, U/14, U/15, U/16 & U/17

The Club will provide players the opportunity to play in the highest level within the league. A Club's grading is determined by the performance of these age group teams in matches over the previous season. A greater emphasis is placed upon individual and team performances but not to the exclusion of participation and enjoyment

Where there is a single side in any age group, selection of the side is the responsibility of the appointed coach with the final approval of the Match Committee.

Where two sides are formed in the same age group and in different Divisions, Coaches are empowered to select teams. This is to be based on the Coaches judgment and perception of the player's abilities, potential, development, attitude, commitment and the need for team balance. The Match Committee will assist the Coach in selecting the sides if required and it is the Match Committee that retains the right to make the final decision.

Selection Criteria

U12 – U15

Best 25 players as determined by the Coaching Panel with the approval of the Match Committee. If available players reach 46, then two teams will be entered into the competition with the first 23 players to be graded in the higher division Comets side and the remainder into the Jets. Maximum players per side are 25.

U16 – U17

Best 28 players as determined by the Coaching Panel with the approval of the Match Committee. If available players reach 50, then two teams will be entered in to the competition with the first 25 players to be graded in the higher division Comets side and the remainder in to the Jets. Maximum players per side are 28.

Team numbers and selection criteria are subject to change and final review by the Match Committee.

Special needs

The Club appreciates that there may be extenuating circumstances, and that some players may wish to be in a particular side. Such requests should be made through the Coaches and Team Managers of the respective teams and referred to the Match Committee.

Objective

The above selection policies are in place to maximise the opportunities for all players to reach their individual potential.

Volunteer Liability Statement

The AJAX Junior Football Club wishes to circulate a brief overview to all trainers and volunteers in relation to their obligations and duties. These guidelines have been implemented to ensure players are given appropriate treatment and trainers/volunteers are informed of their responsibilities in the role.

By law, volunteers will not be held personally liable for anything done, or not done, in good faith in relation to their duties as long as the volunteer acts in good faith, within the boundaries of their roles and responsibilities, and within the scope of their capacity including all instructions given by the AJFC.

Volunteers will however be personally liable if they knew, or if it is considered they should reasonably have known, that at the time of the incident:

- (a) They were acting outside the scope of their designated role;
- (b) They were acting contrary to instructions given by the AJFC in relation to the service they were providing;
- (c) Their ability to provide the service in a manner was, at the relevant time, significantly impaired by drugs or alcohol; or
- (d) If they have acted in a grossly negligent manner.

In the specific case of trainers, providing that they have had the appropriate training i.e. Level 1 First Aid (or above) and they have been appointed by AJFC through the Club's appropriate processes (included any nominated trainers courses) and they perform their duties within their knowledge and designated roles, the SMJFL has advised that they would not be liable.

AJFC also has insurance coverage under the "JLT Public Liability Insurance and Personal Accident Insurance". Further, details of this insurance may be found via the following link: <http://www.iltssport.com.au/AFL/index.aspx>

A failure to meet these requirements may result in personal and legal liability to the volunteer.

Notwithstanding any public liability insurance policy taken out by AJFC, it is the responsibility of every volunteer parent or guardian to ensure that such insurance is adequate to cover their individual circumstances, and it is incumbent on them to take out such other insurance that they deem to be appropriate. Each parent or guardian acknowledges and agrees the AJFC will not be liable for any personal liability of such parent or guardian when acting as volunteer that occurs whilst engaging in the activities of the AJFC.

Investigation Process

The AJAX Junior Football Club requires that all issues are resolved to the satisfaction of the members and Committee in a timely fashion. Accordingly, the following issue resolution procedures have been developed to enable this objective to be fulfilled.

All members have a responsibility to participate in reasonable actions to resolve issues. The procedures below detail the level of involvement for expediting issue resolution.

Procedure

Where a player/parent/supporter wishes to raise an issue, the following steps must be followed:

1. Raise the issue with the Team Manager or Coach.
 - a. Where possible, the person reporting the issue should make suggestions that may resolve the issue. Once the issue has been reported, the Team Manager/Coach and the claimant, must meet and try and resolve the issue as soon as possible.
2. Where the initial parties cannot resolve the issue, the matter should be referred to the Executive Committee through the Team Manager, President or Secretary as soon as possible.
 - a. The Executive Committee will have ultimate discretion in determining a satisfactory resolution to the complaint – unless it sees fit to seek external parties.
3. In determining the resolution of the issue, the Executive Committee will take into account the following factors:
 - a. The extent of the issue, i.e. if it is likely to have a wider effect in the Club;
 - b. The number of players or teams affected;
 - c. Whether appropriate temporary measures are possible or desirable;
 - d. The expected time before the issue can be addressed; and
 - e. What resources may be needed to resolve the issue.

4. If a reasonable resolution cannot be satisfied, the Executive Committee may give the claimant consent to have the investigation heard by an external party.
5. The Team Manager/Coach may at any time call on Committee Members for assistance. Any football or team related issue reported to the Committee, where the Team Manager and/or Coach has not been given the initial opportunity to resolve any such issue, will be referred back to the Team Manager/Coach.
6. All persons must take reasonable actions to avoid situations that could cause serious injury or harm to health of players, officials or the public. If any hazard is identified the Committee are to be informed as soon as possible.

Grievance Policy

Policy

The AJFC requires that all issues of conflict or grievance are resolved to the satisfaction of the members and Committee in a timely fashion. Accordingly, the following issue resolution procedures have been developed to enable this objective to be fulfilled. All members have a responsibility to participate in reasonable actions to resolve issues. The procedures below detail the level of involvement for expediting issue resolution.

Procedure

1. Any person wishing to raise a football or team related issue shall initially approach the Team Manager. Any person wishing to raise a general issue may approach any committee person. Items of a general nature can be raised with any member of the Committee. Where possible the person reporting the issue should make suggestions that may resolve the issue.
 - 1.1 As soon as possible after an issue has been reported, if a football issue, the Team Manager of the affected team and the claimant, must meet and try and resolve the issue.
 - 1.2 If a general issue the committee person approached can try and resolve the issue at hand.
2. Where the initial parties cannot resolve the issue, the Team Manager/Committee member should refer the matter to the Club Secretary who will direct the issue to the appropriate Vice President or President as required.
3. The Team Manager/ Committee Member will take all the reasonable steps to resolve the issue. In attempting to resolve the issue, all parties should take into account the following factors:
 - 3.1 The extent of the issue, ie. if it is likely to have a wider effect in the Club.
 - 3.2 The number of players or teams affected.
 - 3.3 Whether appropriate temporary measures are possible or desirable.
 - 3.4 The expected time before the issue can be addressed.
 - 3.5 What resources may be needed to resolve the issue.
4. The consent of the Executive Committee must be obtained before any external parties are involved in the resolution of Club issues. Only the Club President is authorised to make public statements on behalf of the Club. If the issue affects another SMJFL Club or in fact the SMJFL as an executive, the Club Secretary or President should handle all communications.
5. The Team Manager / Committee Member may at any time call on the Vice Presidents or President for assistance.

Any team football matter reported to the Committee, where the Team Manager and/or Coach has not been given the initial opportunity to resolve any such issue, will be referred back to the Team Manager/Coach.

The final decision with regard to any grievance resolution that has not been resolved at Team Management or Committee level, will be resolved by the Executive Committee chaired by the Vice President / President responsible for the affected portfolio.

Team Details

AJAX Junior Football Clubs will be entering 17 teams in the South Metro Junior Football Club (SMJFL) competition. Initial contact for each team should be via the Team Manager/s.

Team Manager Contact Details

Team Name	Team Manager/s	Phone	Email
U8 Comets	Sean Ickowicz	0412 252 565	sean@ncn.net.au
U9 Comets	Grant Rheuben Antony Sorman	0423 834 067 0422 8378 03	grant.rheuben@loanmarket.com.au antony@nerocapital.com.au
U9 Jets	Doron Kranz	0422 199 662	bolgi.kranz@optusnet.com.au
U9 Stars	David Fajnkend Jonathan Epstein	0414 501 716 0438 927 109	dfajnkend@coopersmith.com.au jonnik@iprimus.com.au
U10 Comets	Adam Faigen Adam Lindell	0438 824 297 0402 781 850	faigens@gmail.com adam.lindell@merrickscapital.com
U10 Jets	Chris Grodski Steven Worth	0425 714 443 0419 300 361	chrisgrodski@gmail.com steven@mightymusicmachine.com.au
U11 Comets	Benji Jotkowitz Jack Chrapot	0419 008 500 0409 324 388	benjamin@benneaux.com.au jack@maeven.com.au
U11 Jets	Adam Rosham	0408 584 773	adam.rosham@netapp.com
U12 Comets	Danny Ehrlich	0412 336 799	dzauder@bigpond.net.au
U12 Jets	Julian Mattatia	0400 772 363	julian@ratesonline.com.au
U13 Comets	Chris Grodski	0425 714 443	chrisgrodski@gmail.com
U13 Jets	TBA		
U14 Comets	Richard Bloom Shane Lipton	0419 504 459 0418 551 161	Richard@arcplasticsurgery.com.au shane@lipton.net.au
U14 Jets	Gary Starr	0418 168 616	gary@starrfamily.com.au
U15 Comets	Masha Gold		mashagold@me.com
U15 Jets	Roy Kaplan	0411 693 281	roykaplan@mac.com
U16s	Tony Beaconsfield	0418 390 940	tbeacs@netspace.net.au
U17s	Grant Cohen	0418 175 003	gacohen@optusnet.com.au

Team Trainers & Safety

The AJAX Junior Football Club takes player safety and welfare extremely seriously and has one of the best team Trainer (first-aiders) programs in the League.

In accordance with League requirements, all AJFC teams are required to have an accredited team Trainer for all games. There is also an accredited Venue Trainer at all AJFC home games. The Club has an extensive program for training, accreditation and re-accreditation of team Trainers, and seeks where possible to have at least two Trainers per team. There will also be a trainer in attendance at all Wednesday and Thursday team training sessions.

Anyone with medical, physiotherapy or first aid training is encouraged to assist the club in the important area. If you are interested in assisting but do not have qualifications, the club will arrange and pay for training if you are prepared to commit to undertake this role for several seasons.

All player injuries are documented and followed up by the club. For details contact David Michelson on 0414 663 154.

Training

Each team will have an official training session at one of four times. Training schedules are subject to council approval and will be revised from time to time. As at the time of printing this handbook, training times are as follows:

Team	Time	Oval	Date
U17s	6:30 - 8:00pm	4	Wednesdays
U16s	6:30 - 8:00pm	4	Wednesdays
U15s	6:45 - 8:00pm	3	Wednesdays
U14s	6:45 - 8:00pm	3	Wednesdays
U13s	5:15 - 6:30pm	4	Wednesdays
U12s	5:15 - 6:30pm	3	Wednesdays
U11s	6:45 - 8:00pm	3	Thursdays
U10s	5:15 - 6:30pm	3	Wednesdays
U8s/U9s	5:15 - 6:30pm	3	Thursdays

Parent Roles on Match Days

Each family will be required on a rotational basis to assist with duties on match days. These duties include Goal Umpiring, Boundary Umpiring, Timekeeping and Umpire Escort Duties. The usual process is that each family would be asked to perform the same duty between 2-3 times per season. That is, for those who are fit enough to Boundary Umpire, then they will be asked to perform this task on a rotational basis with 2 or 3 others. This allows for individuals to assist where they feel comfortable.

Below is a brief explanation of what is required with each role and any rules that may apply from a league perspective.

GOAL UMPIRE

As in the AFL, the Goal Umpire stands behind the goals and makes decisions on whether the ball has gone through for a goal, point or out of bounds. Once a decision has been made you need to signal using the flags and document the result on a scorecard.

1. The Goal Umpire shall be a person of at least 16 years of age and they must have a white coat and provided with two flags, a scorecard and pen.
2. Each Goal Umpire shall be responsible for keeping the scores and shall verify same at the end of each quarter. At the completion of the match they must sign each others' card.
3. The Goal Umpire shall be responsible for ensuring that the area between and behind the goals is kept clear of spectators and obstacles such as bicycles and must not dispute decisions or abuse the Field Umpires at any time.
4. In the case of a disagreement on scores by the Goal Umpires the Field Umpire shall regard the Time Keepers card as the correct score.
5. The Field Umpire has the power to overrule a decision by a Club Goal Umpire if he believes such decision to be incorrect.

BOUNDARY UMPIRE

As in the AFL, the Boundary Umpire runs one side of the ground and makes decisions on whether the ball is in play, out of bounds or out on the full. If the ball is out of bounds, the Boundary Umpire will throw the ball back in to play.

1. Each team is to provide a competent Boundary Umpire who shall be correctly attired (must wear a white bib provided) and be equipped with a working whistle.
2. The Boundary Umpires must be conversant with the correct procedures to ensure the proper conduct of the match.
3. Boundary umpires at all times are not to abuse, threaten, coach or try to influence any decisions that the Field Umpires may make.
4. Boundary umpires must not get involved with any melees or any other on field indiscretions.
5. The Field Umpire has the power to overrule a decision by a Club Boundary Umpire if he believes such decision to be incorrect.

TIMEKEEPERS / ORANGES

The timekeeper is responsible for activating the siren as per the procedures that will be supplied in order to start and end quarters and provide warning sirens indicating completion of the breaks. The timekeeper will then start timing the quarter using a countdown clock supplied and along with a second timekeeper from the opposition side also document any scores during the quarter. The timekeeper is also responsible for keeping the scoreboard up to date at home games.

A secondary role for the timekeeper is the supply of oranges for consumption by the players at the half time break. Timekeepers are requested to bring approx 10 oranges cut up into quarters/sixths.

1. A competent Timekeeper is to be provided by each Club and the home Club shall provide an accurate timing device. Time-on shall only be added if indicated in the appropriate manner by the Field Umpire.
2. Timekeepers shall complete and sign the official timekeeper's card as a check in the case of a dispute by the Goal Umpires.
3. Timekeepers shall also record the scores on the reverse of the timekeeper's card as a check in the case of a dispute by the Goal Umpires.
4. Timekeepers shall be aware of the provisions in the BY LAWS concerning the length of quarters and the length of intervals.
5. Timekeepers are to sound a warning one minute prior to the completion of the quarter time and three quarter time intervals and three minutes prior to the completion of half time interval.

UMPIRES ESCORT

SMJFL regulations require each team to provide an Umpires Escort for each game.

The role of the Umpires Escort is as follows:

1. At the beginning of the game, escort the umpires from the umpires' room to the centre of the ground.
2. At quarter time, stand with the umpires in the centre circle for the duration of the break. If you are the home team escort, then you must provide the umpires with a drink of water.
3. At half time, immediately after the siren goes, go to the umpires and escort them from the ground to the umpires' rooms. If you are the home team escort, then offer the umpires drinks.
4. Escort the umpires back on to the ground after half time.
5. At 3/4 time, stand with the umpires in the centre circle for the duration of the break. If you are the home team escort, then you must provide the umpires with a drink of water.
6. At full time, immediately after the siren, go to the umpires and escort them from the ground to the umpires' rooms.

Competition Details

League

Ajax Junior Football Club play in the South Metro Junior Football League (previously Moorabbin Saints Junior Football League) which was established in 1988. In 2015, the SMJFL consists of 27 member clubs, fielding more than 300 teams playing Australian Rules football across more than 30 different divisions. With approximately 8,500 participants involved in the League each weekend, 2015 will be one of the biggest years yet in the history of the SMJFL/MSJFL.

The SMJFL caters for age groups ranging from Under 8s to Under 17s, including a specific division for girls. The SMJFL run a graded competition with up to 6 divisions. In U13s to U17s, divisions are classified from Div 1, Div 2, Div 3 etc. East division is the highest standard followed by West, South, North and Blue being the lowest standard division in U11s and U12s. In the younger age groups below U11s, teams have been divided up into Beginner, Intermediate and Advanced. Each division will be known as a colour rather than East, West etc.

Match Footballs

Correct size and material for age groups is as follows:

Sherrin footballs will be used for official matches:

U8, U9 and U10	Size 2 synthetic
U11 and U12	Size 3 one leather and one synthetic
U13 and U14	Size 4 leather
U15 to U17	Full size leather.

U8, U9 & U10 Modified Rules

The following applies to Under 8, Under 9 and Under 10 year old competition in the SMJFL.

1. Playing Time

4 quarters x 12 minutes.

2. Breaks

$\frac{1}{4}$ time: 3 min; $\frac{1}{2}$ time: 6 min; $\frac{3}{4}$ time: 3 min.

3. Zones

Players are positioned in three (3) equal zones to prevent ball chasing and subsequent congestion around the ball. Umpires should encourage players to stay in their correct positions. Wrist band colours: Forward = Blue; Centre = Red; Back = Yellow.

5. Out of Bounds

Where kicked out of bounds (regardless of whether it bounced before being out of bounds) a free kick is awarded against the player who last kicked the ball. This free kick will be taken by the closest player to where the ball went out of play. If there is any doubt, or if the ball came off hands or a body, the umpire shall call a ball-up 5 metres in from the boundary.

6. Gaining Possession

A player's prime objective should be to gain possession of the ball (eyes on the ball). 'Running with' the player rather than 'running at' the player must be the intention. Any deliberate contact or contact to the back is strictly prohibited. Once the ball is possessed, an opposition player may apply a modified tackle. (refer to rule 8)

7. Scoring

Only players who are positioned as Forward Zone players may score.

8. Modified tackle

A player in possession of the ball may be tackled by an opponent wrapping both arms around the area below the top of the shoulders and on/above the knees.

The tackle may be from either side or from behind, providing the tackle from behind does not thrust the player with the ball forward (i.e. push him or her in the back).

- If the player in possession of the ball is taken to the ground in the act of tackling, they will receive a free kick. If the umpire feels the player drops to the ground in order to receive a free kick, they will be penalised for holding the ball.
- A player in possession of the ball, when held by an opponent applying the wrap-around tackle, should be given a reasonable chance to dispose of the ball by kick or by handball, or by attempting to kick or handball. If he or she fails to do so, a free kick shall be awarded to the tackler for holding the ball.
- The field umpire shall conduct a ball-up when the player with the ball has it held to the body by an opponent, unless the player has had a reasonable time to dispose of it prior to being tackled. In that case, a free kick shall be awarded to the tackler for holding the ball.
- The field umpire shall allow play to continue if the ball is knocked out of a player's hands by an opponent in the process of applying the wrap-around tackle.
- A player, who is held by an opponent when not in possession of the ball, shall be awarded a free kick.
- No player shall be deliberately dumped or thrown to the ground by a tackle.

There is strictly:

- NO knocking the ball out of an opponent's hands
- NO pushing the player in the side
- NO stealing the ball from another player
- NO bumping an opponent
- NO sling, pull or otherwise apply force when 'holding' a player.

9. Smothering

Deliberate smothering not permitted and free kick to nearest opponent. However, when smothering considered incidental (e.g. ball kicked into the person on the mark), play will continue.

10. Barging

No barging, fending off or chopping past opponents is permitted. A free kick shall be awarded to the nearest opponent.

11. Shepherding

Not permitted. Free kick to the nearest opponent.

12. Marking

A mark is awarded irrespective of the distance the ball has travelled to any player who catches the ball directly from the kick of another player.

13. Distance Run & Bouncing the Ball

A player running with the ball must bounce it within ten (10) metres. Only one (1) bounce is permitted.

14. Kicking off the Ground

Not permitted unless accidental.

15. Distance penalty

25 metres, as per normal SMJFL rules.

16. Interchange/Game time

Interchange may take place at any time, but all players must play at least half the match. Rotate players every quarter to provide opportunities in several positions, i.e. players to change from one zone to another and interchange on to the field. Equalise the teams and opponents as much as possible (match sizes, abilities).

17. Scoring

The SMJFL is committed to ensuring "It's all about the kids" and believes the new Beginners, Intermediate and Advanced divisions will reiterate that it's not about the results or what division a child plays in but that they enjoy playing football. The SMJFL understands a big part of that is ensuring the games are as evenly matched as possible so, as per previous years, changes will still be made after round 4 if needed. However, given **no scores are being kept for U8s & U9s**, the SMJFL will be seeking feedback from the clubs on the competitiveness of games in the early rounds of the season.

U9 & U10 Lightning Carnivals

The following details are those used for last season. The Club does not anticipate changes for this season, however should changes be made, teams will be updated as necessary. It is the policy of the SMJFL that no premiership points are awarded to U8-U10 age groups. This is to encourage weekly development and improvement rather than competing for a place in the finals.

As an alternative to a final series, the SMJFL hold a Lightning Carnival day whereby all teams are allocated to a group made up of 4 teams. The SMJFL assess the home and away performances of each team and consequently allocate them to a group where they will be evenly matched. Each team will play other teams in the group once in a modified game.

At the completion of the three rounds of matches the SMJFL Ground Manager will calculate a ranking based on number of wins and in the event that the wins are the same, then percentage will be assessed to determine the top ranked team. The event is held in a carnival type atmosphere with the emphasis on participation rather than result. The Lightning Carnival Days are scheduled the week following the last home & away match.

U11-U17 Grading / Finals Structure

At the completion of each season, teams finishing first or second will be promoted to a higher division, while teams finishing in the last two positions will be transferred to the division immediately below. For U14 to U17 teams, the finals series matches shall be played under the "Page System" which is based on a final 4.

The finals structure for is therefore as follows:

Week 1	First Semi Final	3 rd vs 4 th	Loser eliminated, Winner to Preliminary Final
	Second Semi Final	1 st vs 2 nd	Loser to Preliminary Final, Winner to Grand Final
Week 2	Preliminary Final	Winner to Grand Final	
Week 3	Grand Final	Winner of Second Semi v Winner of Preliminary Final	

Subject to confirmation from the SMJFL, U11 to U13 teams play two weeks of finals with the two winners of the semi-finals (1st vs 4th and 2nd vs 3rd) playing off in a Grand Final. To be eligible to play finals, a player must have played 4 home and away matches with that team.

Match Times

The times set out below are subject to change depending on ground availability, umpiring schedules and fixturing requests. It is highly likely that game time will vary from week-to-week throughout the season. These times should not be relied upon in planning other activities on Sundays during the season. Team Managers will advise their teams as soon as fixture details are confirmed for each game. This is a process which evolves over the course of the season.

Regardless of the game start time, players are expected to arrive approximately 1 hour before matches start and to stay after the game for the coaches' review – Coaches and Team Managers will advise players of expectations.

Team	Start	Qtr Length	Finish
U8/U9	8:45am	12 mins	9:45am
U10	10:00am	12 mins	11:00am
U11	11:15am	15 mins	12:33pm
U12	12:45pm	15 mins	2:03pm
U13	2:15pm	15 mins	3:33pm
U14	10:00am	20 mins	11:38am
U15	12:00pm	20 mins	1:38pm
U16	2:30pm	20 mins	4:08pm
U17	2:30pm	22 mins	4:18pm

Breaks during matches for U11 to U17: Quarter time (3 mins), Half time (10 mins) and Three-quarter time (5 mins)

Awards

The AJFC present a number of team and club awards at the completion of each season. They are as follows:

U8 - U9: Participation Awards – Each Player

U9 - U10: 5 x Coaches Awards

U11 – U17: 1st Best & Fairest (B&F), 2nd B&F, 3rd B&F, 2 x Coaches Awards

Certificates/Awards: 50 Games, 100 Games, Interleague.

Perpetual Awards: Graeme Le Bransky Trophy

Club Champion

Maurie Askenazy Memorial President's Trophy

Significant Contributor

Kurt De Fris Memorial Trophy	Outstanding Administrator
Eli Peters & Stephen Rose Memorial Award	Outstanding Service
Abe Issacs Memorial Award	Most Improved Team or Player
Pratt Foundation Outstanding Achievement Award	Outstanding Achievement
Dale Measy Memorial Trophy	Most Courageous Player
Eddie Malinek Memorial Award	Outstanding Commitment
George Halphen Memorial	Outstanding Junior Coach
AJAX Senior Football Club	Encouragement Award

All awards along with a junior/seniors yearbook are formally announced and distributed at a Presentation Night usually held in late October. Further to these club awards, for U11-U17 teams the SMJFL present competition Best & Fairest awards voted on by the umpires during the season.

Team Photos

The Club will arrange for each player to be presented with a team photo each season as part of the player registration fee. The Club will arrange Photo Days for two weekends during the season. Photos will be taken at Princes Park by professional photographers prior to team matches. Players will be required to arrive at the ground early – at the allotted time, for photos. Players not present on the day will be included in an inset image on the team photo where possible. Photos will be supplied when they are made available to the Club.

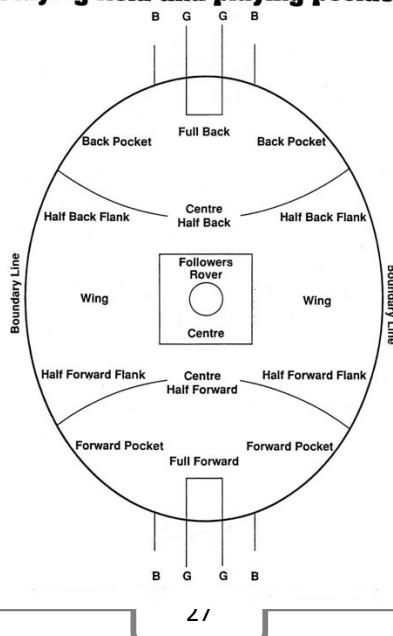
Rules of Australian Rules Football

All matches under the control of the SMJFL will be played in accordance with the “Laws of Australian Football” except where such laws are modified by AFL Victoria or SMJFL Bylaw. Laws in detail can be found on the following website:

<http://s.afl.com.au/staticfile/AFL%20Tenant/AFL/Files/2015-Laws-Of-Aust-Football.pdf>

Player Positions

Playing field and playing positions



History of the AJAX Junior Football Club

The AJAX Junior Football Club has over the years proudly given several thousand Jewish Children the opportunity to play Australian football as a healthy and enjoyable recreational pursuit. From very humble beginnings AJAX has grown from a small group of boys playing scratch matches to the large well organized and highly respected organization that it is today.

The Club owes a great debt to its senior partner and forebear – the AJAX Amateur Football Club. The senior club was formed in 1957 and throughout its history has been a proud member of the Victorian Amateur Football Association. Between 1980 and 1982 the senior team competed in A Grade, the highest level of amateur football in the state. The AJAX seniors financed and encouraged the formation of its junior counterpart in 1972.

With the growth and development of little league football in the 1960's it became inevitable that a junior offshoot, the formation of the AJAX Junior Football Club by Abe Isaacs – the inaugural president and its first life member, Graeme LeBransky and Don Finklestein became a reality. The number of boys playing each Sunday afternoon was 40. Games were arranged against the JSFA teams that had a bye. Among the first batch of players was a diminutive rover named Robbie Kaye who was our first best and fairest winner and a future senior player. In 1973 The Club fielded six teams in regular competition from under 10's to under 14's and this expansion continued in the following year with almost 200 players participating.

First Flags

In 1974 the under 10 team (CDJFL) with Ray Efron as coach and Trevor Cohen as team manager became the club's first premiership team with Leon Burstin and Greg Pinkus Captain and Vice-Captain. The 1975 Under 15's went through the season undefeated in the Spartan League. Much of the credit for this effort went to Nathan Frydman (coach) and Anthony Pratt (captain). Stewart Baron from the Under 14's had an outstanding season winning the Graeme LeBransky trophy for the outstanding AJAX player and being runner up in the Chelsea League best and fairest award. Stewart was able to continue this form in the following year captaining the Under 15's to a flag.

In 1977 the Under 15's continued the run of premierships in this age group and most club teams made the finals. Ruckman Gavin Sekler won the competition best and fairest in Under 15's by a margin of over 10 votes.

Years of Growth

Season 1978 saw no flags but the Under 11's, 14's and 15's made the finals and Leon Burstin won the competition best and fairest. In 1979 under President Nathan Frydman the club had a difficult year on the field with no teams making the finals. The Club however, continued its rapid growth and its outstanding player was Gary Velleman.

The Club continued its rapid growth in to the 1980's under President Maurie Ashkenazy with a steady expansion in teams and team numbers. In addition, AJAX contributed greatly to the general administration of junior football and at one stage three former committeemen occupied positions on higher bodies; Julien Velleman and Michael Isaacs (President and Vice President of the CDJFL) and Nathan Frydman (Vice President JSFA). In 1981 three teams made the finals and the under 9a team was undefeated. Training lights were installed at Princes Park at a cost of over \$3,000 with the aid of strong fund-raising efforts.

Further improvement was made in 1982 with five teams making it through to the finals, Ray Keane was appointed the Club's first coach's supervisor and Michael Isaacs was awarded life membership after a decade of coaching and committee work. Martin Halphen was the Club Champion for a third consecutive time.

In 1983 AJAX fielded six out of a possible eight teams in the finals and in addition all Under 9 teams (which did not play for points) also produced good showings. The Under 11's (CDJFL) coached by Harry Pakin and captained by his son Elliot led for most of the season and played grandly to win the Club's first flag in six years. Less than an hour later the Under 10's coached by Jack Hoppe and captained by new Club Champion Phillip Goldberg won the first AJAX premiership in the JSFA (now WJFA). The Under

15's were also represented on grand final day but lost to a strong Edithvale/Aspendale combination. President Maurie Ashkenazy became a life member.

Season 1984 saw Club membership pass 300 and the Under 11 Jets won their second consecutive flag to become the first AJAX team to win back to back premierships. The Under 10 Jets and Under 12's also made the finals.

There were no premierships in 1985 but it was a very satisfying year with five teams playing off in the finals and two – the Under 11 Comets and Under 12 Comets making it to grand final day at Edithvale. Off the field, Club's administration functioned well in Maurie Ashkenazy's final year of a record term as president. For the first time the club operated under a written constitution and by-laws resulting in improved operational efficiency. Socially, the club actively encouraged pie nights and the keeping of Kashrut was essential at all Club social functions. The Club also conducted a successful review dinner dance entitled 'Edelsten – The Musical'. Another highlight was the playing of two matches under lights at South Melbourne in place of matches, which were originally scheduled to coincide with Shavuot.

Season 1986 must go down in history as the most successful in the Club's history. AJAX won the L.J. Hart Memorial Trophy awarded to the CDJFL's champion club. It was represented in every age division final of that competition winning flags in Under 11 and 13 grades and being runners up in Under 14. Paul Steiner (under 10) and Phillip Goldberg (under 13) won the competition best and fairest awards with Phillip gaining a remarkable 41 votes from a possible 42 whilst Marcus Chrapot (under 12) was runner up for the second consecutive year. Under the presidency of Harry Pakin the Club inaugurated a football camp at Ballarat in the May school holidays and continued the Club's successful policy of providing a closely knit club through excellent social activities which in turn reflected well on the field.

The 1987 season saw a new look committee under new president Harry Lewski and the age groups Under 12 to Under 15 all made the final series with only the Under 14's getting through to the Grand final losing to a very strong Oakleigh Districts. David Gelbart of the Under 10's won the CDJFL best and fairest award, which was a remarkable effort as his team had little success during the season. Phillip Goldberg shared the Club Champion award making it his fifth successive victory and this was achieved despite missing almost half the season with a hamstring injury. The club revived the very successful Junior Jackas Supporters Club and continued with the Ballarat camp. Long serving Club secretary Jack Chrapot retired and received a well-deserved life membership for his untiring efforts on behalf of the Club.

The Club became an incorporated body in 1988 and is now called the AJAX Junior Football Club Inc. The minimum age limit for membership was increased thereby limiting the club to two Under 9 teams. The Under 9 Comets won the inaugural Moorabbin Saints Junior Football League (an amalgamation of the CDJFL and St Kilda League) lightening premiership whilst David Alperstein returned to coach the Under 13's to an undefeated season and a great premiership victory over St Francis. The Under 12's who were knocked out of the race in the preliminary final were the only other team to make the finals. Under 14 player Marcus Chrapot became the first AJAX junior to reach 150 games whilst Under 12 player Julian Kirzner represented Victoria in the national primary schools championship.

During the 1989 season the Club's training facilities were upgraded and brilliant lighting now illuminates Princes Park on training nights. Long serving committee man David Landau was appointed President of MSJFL, Ricky Hartman was selected to represent Victoria in the national Under 16 carnival, Paul Zaltsberg was made Vice Captain of the Victorian Primary Schools team and Arik Singer narrowly missed out on winning the Under 13 best and fairest award.

The Under 9 Comets coached by Hank Ritterman proved too strong for the other teams made the finals with the Under 14's being eliminated in the first final. The Under 13's coached by Anthony LeBransky and Mark Zuker made it to the grand final losing by only six points in a close game. Howard Epstein, Jack Hoppe and David Landau were awarded Life memberships for their many years of service to the club. Jack Hoppe remains the most successful coach produced by AJAX with three flags from four years between 1983 and 1986.

The Nineties

From 1990 thru to 1995 please go to our website for additional history.

The 25th year of Club's operations in 1996 was highly successful with many teams making finals appearances with the Under 11 Comets under Adam Hoppe, playing off in a grand final, gallantly losing to the strong Beaumaris side. Ari Lewski from the Under 13 Comets won the MSJFL best and fairest award by a margin of four votes and displayed outstanding promise for the future. The Club also expanded its Vickick (now Auskick) clinic and had record numbers attending throughout the season. At year's end an open forum was conducted to establish ways of further improving what is now looked upon as one of the most progressive and innovative junior sporting clubs in Australia. As a result of this strategic open forum conducted by the committee, in 1997 the Club implemented a skills program devised by newly appointed Football Director Alistair Clarkson.

Under 14 player Ari Lewski won his third Club Champion award after another outstanding season, also finishing runner up in the MSJFL polling best on ground in all but one game played.

Junior Club president Phil Lewis and Senior Club president Mark Feldy took the first steps to forge closer ties between both clubs. The first stage was the pooling of club sponsorships and the combination of both clubs in the yearbook. The Auskick clinic continues to grow at a record rate with numbers exceeding over 120 children. Due to lack of numbers in Under 16's combined under 16/17 side formed for the first time. Mark Zuker and Allan Jankie were awarded Life Membership for many years of outstanding service. Former junior player Darren Sutton easily won the best and fairest for VSFL team Prahran Dragons.

Under new president Brandon Givoni, 1998 saw success for the club, with Mark Zuker coaching the Under 14's to a premiership and also the Under 12's coached by Peter Frayman also winning a flag. The Under 15's played their first game in round 4 due to a lack of numbers early on. Coached by Mark Louis they won their last seven matches to reach the grand final, but were unsuccessful on the day. The Under 13 Comets and the Under 10 jets both made it to the preliminary final. Under 15 player Elliot Janover was Club Champion after an outstanding year both with AJAX and as Deputy Vice Captain of the Under 15 Prahran Dragons carnival team. Close links with the Senior Club were further strengthened with senior players David Gelbart and Jonathan Segal coaching the Under 13 Comets and Ben Lewski and Peter 'Rocky' Rockman were all awarded Life Membership after many years of outstanding service to the Club.

In 1999 the Under 14's again won the premiership coached by ex-junior player Ben Lewski. The Team dominated their section finishing on top of the ladder with only one loss for the season. Clinton Yudelmann of the Under 14's was the Club Champion after an outstanding season that saw him make the MSJFL Interleague side and rewarded by the umpires with best on ground in the Grand Final. The Under 15's also recorded a fantastic win in their semi final and the Auskick clinic with its 130 children moved to the Duncan McKinnon Reserve. Last Year's Under 16 best and fairest winner and former club champion Jeremy Dukes played in a premiership for Prahran Dragons, after holding down the key centre half forward position all year. The 17 year old was also invited to the AFL's draft camp before the national draft.

The New Millennium

Season 2000, the first of the new millennium, was one of the most exciting and successful seasons in recent history. The Under 9 Comets and the Under 10 Jets both won the Lightning Premierships in their divisions whilst the Under 13 Comets, under 14's and Under 16's all made the finals.

The 13's and 16's both lost their preliminary finals and the Under 14's showed incredible courage and skill to bounce back and win their Grand Final against arch rival Dingley. Our First Club Champion Award for this new millennium is shared by Mark Chester (under 14) and Grant Lewis (under 15). Both boys represented AJAX with distinction in the MSJFL Interleague team. President Brandon Givoni has decided to retire after 3 years at the helm as does his brother, Deon after over 5 years as Club Secretary having taken over the job mid-way through the 1995 season. Both Brandon and Deon Givoni were both awarded Life Membership for their outstanding service to the Club.

Season 2001 saw David Pinkus take over the reins as the 10th President of the Club and Nigel Markov as Club Secretary. It was a year of consolidation and planning that will allow the committee to introduce new initiatives next year that will pave the way in areas of coaching and administration. The Club has further strengthened its ties with the senior's clubrooms and facilities at Albert Park. The U14's for the fourth year running won the Grand Final. Their "No Regrets" final's campaign showed the determination and courage of a truly dedicated team, coached by ex-junior player Gavin Kaplan. Daniel Markov won the Club Champion Award for 2001 after a successful season that included him winning the U14 Best and Fairest. Our Auskick Program continues to be successful with over 140 registrations.

In 2002 the Club moved the under 9's to 13's home ground to Albert Park to join the under 15s & 16s who moved last year. Attracting the right coaches continue to be the focus and we are delighted to have so many senior or ex-senior footballers coaching our kids. With these moves the committee strengthens 'the bridge' between the junior and senior football clubs by working off each other, whilst providing better facilities for players and spectators. This year also saw a record number of kids play football for the club. In excess of 390 kids registered to play with club, including over 120 kids registering for Auskick. Peter Thurin was awarded Life Membership for his tireless efforts in restructuring Football Operations as Chairman of the Match Committee. The under 14 team won their Grand Final to make it five in a row with the added bonus of being the champions of the higher East division. Corey Jankie won the Club Champion Award, U14 Best & Fairest and Best on ground in the U14 Grand Final.

2003 was another strong year for the club with 410 kids registered to play. We fielded 12 teams of which 4 played in the finals with a premiership to our Under 13 Comets. Corey Jankie had another outstanding year winning not only the Club Champion for the second successive year but also the MSJFL under 15 competition Best and Fairest. Michael Karp was awarded life membership for his many years of outstanding service at the helm of fundraising.

2004 saw our numbers continue to grow to 470. For the first time we fielded an under 17 side in addition to an under 16 team. This will ensure the numbers flowing through to the seniors will continue to swell. We had only 3 teams making the finals with the Under 13 Jets making the grand final. Corey Jankie continued to be the stand out footballer winning another Club Champion award with Daniel Halprin and Dean Wollner winning their respective MSJFL best and fairest awards.

2005 was a year of highlights for the AJFC. 360 boys took the field to play underage football in 13 sides while 180 boys participated in our Auskick clinics. For only the second time we fielded an U17's side which played with distinction to reach the finals. Our U11's, 13's and 14's also made the finals with the U11's "winning the flag". David Pinkus retired as President and was awarded Life Membership for his tireless efforts. Ralph Wollner took over the presidency. Mark Shnider, Josh Ludski, Brett Joffe and Dean Wollner all played with distinction in MSJFL representative teams. Corey Jankie distinguished himself by being selected to play with Sandringham Dragons. Daniel Freed capped off an outstanding junior career by winning the U17's MSJFL best and fairest whilst Daniel Halprin was runner up in the MSJFL best and fairest in the U12's. Daniel Freed was named club champion.

Some years are remembered for the achievements on the scoreboard. 2006 will be remembered in other ways. Our U14 Jets were the "Mighty Ducks" of the club. They didn't win on the scoreboard but they were enthusiastic and committed up to the very end. Registrations were as strong as in previous years but the distribution in ages suggests the club will be strong for years to come. 4 teams played finals footy. 12 kids were selected to train with TAC Cup development squads. Daniel Halprin played in the U13's MSJFL interleague side. Josh Ludski was runner up in the U15's MSJFL best and fairest. Dean Wollner was runner up in the MSJFL U14's best and fairest, played interleague and won the Club Champion award. Paul Shnider was awarded life membership for his outstanding achievements and continued contribution to the club.

2007 has been touted as our most successful year both on and off the field. 8 of our 13 teams played off in finals, with 6 teams reaching Grand Finals and 3 successful Premierships in the U9's (Jets), U14's & U17's. We also had Nicholas Lewis (U12's), Dean Wollner (U15's) and Warren Steinberg (U17's) all win their divisional "Best & Fairest" awards. Paul Shnider took over as President and the club fielded teams in all age groups from U9's through to U17's. Asher Burstin and Nathan Zielinski both represented the U13 MSJFL interleague side, while Leon Burstin was selected as the interleague coach. 17 players were selected

in the Sandy Dragons development squads, while Warren Steinberg was named Club Champion. Graeme Le Bransky was recognized for his outstanding achievements in the original development of the junior club by being awarded life membership.

2008 saw the club continue to grow at record levels. 14 teams, 350 registered players and a strong Auskick group takes our membership to well over 500. Highlights for the season included Premierships for both our U11 Jets & U12 Comets, Runners-Up honours for the U10 Comets and U13 Jets and finals appearances for both our U16 & U17 age groups. Nick Lewis followed on from his Best & Fairest success last season by winning the U13 East Division Best & Fairest and was also named our Club Champion. Both Nick Lewis and Jonah Gandur represented the MSJFL Interleague U13 team, while Nathan Zielinski and Jarrod Nankin were selected for the U14 group. 10 players were also selected in the Sandy Dragons development squads.

2009 continued the current trend with 5 teams making Grand Finals and Premiership success for our U11 Jets & U16's. Four players won MSJFL Best & Fairest awards including Jordan Cohen (U11 Comets), Ashley Krakauer (U11 Jets), David Bookman (U12 Comets) and Nick Lewis (U14's). 14 Teams, with 350 registered players complimented by 240 Auskick registrations saw the club grow to 590 members which easily eclipses previous participation records. Theodore Rosenthal was selected for the MSJFL U13 Interleague squad, while Nick Lewis and Dean Rotenberg were selected at U14 level and Jarrod Nankin, Nathan Zielinski & Asher Burstin at U15 level. The club had 14 players selected for the Sandy Dragon development squads. Nick Lewis was named Club champion for a second straight year.

2010 was another year of significant growth and continued success. 17 teams with 394 registered players combined with a record 270 Auskick registrations gave the club a membership of 664. Highlights for the year includes a Premiership for our U12 Jets, Grand Final appearances for our U9 Stars & U11 Jets and finals action for our U10's & U17's. Two players won MSJFL Best & Fairest awards including Jacob Teperman (U11's) & Zev Aron (U17's). Ashley Krakauer was 3rd in the U12 award after missing 4 games. Players to represent the club at interleague level included David Bookman, Benjamin Michelson, Toby Fisher & Jamie Sackville at U13's, Theodore Rosenthal, Ben Schwartz, Ezra Hertsberg & Yasha Gurevich at U14's, Dean Rotenberg, Nick Lewis, Jonah Gandur & Jeremy Forbes at U15's. Ashley Krakauer was named captain of the Victorian National School Championships team. Players selected to the Sandy Dragons development squads include Jarrod Nankin, Jordy Bade-Boon, Jonathan Goldberg & Nathan Zielinski at U16 Level, while Nick Lewis, Dean Rotenberg, Jeremy Forbes, Jonah Gandur, Josh Silver, A.J. Thurin, Jayden Yarrow, Tal Keder & Ben Sher were selected at U15 level. Paul Shnider stepped down as President after 4 years, while Mark Mitchell and Andrew Shenker were both awarded Life Membership for outstanding service to the club. Ashley Krakauer was named Club Champion.

In 2011, for the first time, we fielded 18 teams including three at the U9, U10 and U14 age groups, accommodating 421 players. A further 258 boys and girls took part in AJAX Auskick – successfully coordinated for a final time by Daniel Antman. Six teams represented the Club in finals. Our U12 Jets and U17s both won premierships with Asher Berlinski and Mendy Mochkin voted best on ground in their respective games, while our U10 Stars won the flag in their group of the Under 10 Lightning Premiership Carnival. Winning MSJFL Best and Fairest awards, in the top divisions of their age groups, were Mendy Mochkin (U17 Premier) and Ashley Krakauer (U13 East). Selected to play in interleague teams were Ashley Krakauer, Jordan Cohen, Jordan Bengé and Kane Nissenbaum (U13s), Toby Fisher (U14s), Theo Rosenthal, Ben Schwartz and Jesse Velleman (U15s). Nick Lewis, Dean Rotenberg and AJ Thurin were selected in Sandringham Dragons U16 development Squads. 2011 was notable for the adoption of a new common logo with the Senior Club, and memorable for the need for two venues – playing U14-U17 games at Glenhuntly Park while Oval 1 at Princes Park was resurfaced. An expanded and active committee led by new President Mark Davis oversaw a successful season, with the support of new Club Sponsor Teska Carson.

2012 was a watershed year for the club with a record 19 teams and a total of 463 registered players. A record 320 Auskick registrations resulted in a total number of 783 members. Significantly, AJAX fielded its first girls team (The Jackettes) in the U12s and they were most competitive throughout their season. Three teams secured Lightning Carnival Premierships in their respective groups: U9 Stars, U10 Comets and U10 Jets. The U13 Comets were agonisingly close in their Grand Final whilst the U16s featured in a Preliminary Final. The U11 Stars, U12 Jets and U17s also made the finals in 2012. Players selected to play at interleague level and development squads were Asher Berlinski (U13 Div 1), Ashley Krakauer, Jonah Wise and Jordan Bengé (U14

Div 1), Jordan Cohen, Kane Nissenbaum and Bradley Carp (U14 Div 2), Benjamin Michelson (U15 Div 1), David Bookman (U15 Div 2), Theo Rosenthal and Ben Schwartz (U16 Div 1) and Nicholas Lewis (TAC U18). Ashley Krakauer was also awarded player of the championships and, in addition, won the best & fairest award in the U14s. Congratulations to Asher Berlinski and Campbell Hymans who finished in the top three in U13s and U12s. Mark Davis stepped down as President and Dan Antman assumed the reigns.

In 2013, strong registrations continued with 428 players and 18 teams (including an U15 Girls team), with more than 300 involved in Auskick. Highlights of the season included Premierships for the U16s and U9 Stars in their Lightning Carnival. Four other teams, U11 Comets, U12 Stars, U13 Comets and U15 Comets also made the finals. Nicolas Taranto in his first year with the club won the U11 North Division Best & Fairest whilst Harrison Hymans finished in the top 3 in the U15 Division 4 Best & Fairest. Adam Ossip, in his first year of junior football was selected for the U13 Division 1 interleague squad whilst Campbell Hymans (U13 Div 2), Asher Berlinski (U14 Div 1), Jake Liberman (U14 Div 2), Jeremy Bassat (U14 Div 2), Ashley Krakauer (U15 Div 1), Jonah Wise (U15 Div 1) and Kane Nissenbaum (U15 Div 2) were all invited to participate in their respective age levels. In addition, Benji Michelson and Toby Fisher were invited to train with the U16 interleague squad. Ashley Krakauer was also recognised with a Coaches Award at interleague level. It was a remarkable year for Anthony Le Bransky who not only coached the U16s to a flag but also was recognised for his long and distinguished service with the club by being awarded Life Membership. Benji Michelson was named Club Champion to go along with his captaincy of the U16 premiership team.

We fielded 426 players in 18 teams in 2014. This included a hybrid U13 girls team (with St Kilda City and Ormond) and our first ever U8s team which was a tremendous success. Six teams played off in finals, capped off by a premiership to the U13 Comets who remained undefeated for the entire season. The U9 Jets also won the Lightning Carnival Premiership. The U17s played in Div 1 and made it all the way to the preliminary final, going down by just 15 points. Four other teams, U12 Jets, U12 Comets, U14 Jets and U15s also made the finals. Nicolas Taranto won the U12 North Division (and team B&F) for the second consecutive year whilst Toby Lipton (U13 Div 3) tied for first and Dean Spilkin won the U15 Div 2 Best & Fairest. Benji Michelson (U17 Div 1) and Adam Ossip (U14 Div 2) finished in the top three in their respective divisions. Congratulations to the following boys who were selected to participate in the interleague squads: Ashley Krakauer (U16 Div 1), Kane Nissenbaum, Jordan Bengel & Jordan Cohen (U16 Div 2), Ari Syber (U15 Div 2), Adam Ossip (U14 Div 2), Toby Lipton & Hudson Levine (U13 Div 1) and Benji Krongold (U13 (Div 2)). For the second consecutive year, Benji Michelson (U17s) was named Club Champion, a wonderful achievement. Off the field, the club formally announced the creation of AJAX Football Club Victoria Incorporated (AFCV), a merger of the club's senior and junior divisions to oversee the future strategic direction of the club, with Gary Velleman as the inaugural Chairman, President Dan Antman and Vice-President Ronnie Lewis.

AJAX Junior Football Club Honour Roll

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Year President	Year Premiers	Life Members	Year Club Champion
1972 Abe Isaacs	1974 U10 CDJFL	Abe Isaacs	1974 Gary Velleman
1973 Abe Isaacs	1975 U15 Spartan League	Julien Velleman	1975 Stewart Baron
1974 Abe Isaacs	1976 U15 Spartan League	Michael Isaacs	1976 Stewart Baron
1975 Abe Isaacs	1977 U15 Spartan League	Maurie Ashkenazy	1977 Gavin Sekler
1976 Abe Isaacs	1983 U10 JSFA	Jack Chrapot	1978 Leon Burstin
1977 Abe Isaacs	1983 U11 CDJFL	Jack Hoppe	1979 Gary Velleman
1978 Keith Rosengarten	1984 U11 JSFA	David Landau	1980 Martin Halphen
1979 Nathan Frydman	1986 U11 CDJFL	Howard Epstein	1981 Martin Halphen
1980 Maurie Askenazy	1986 U13 CDJFL	Harry Lewski	1982 Martin Halphen
1981 Maurie Askenazy	1988 U13 MSJFL	Errol Kaplan	1983 Phillip Goldberg
1982 Maurie Askenazy	1990 U14 MSJFL	Alan Jankie	1984 Phillip Goldberg
1983 Maurie Askenazy	1991 U15 MSJFL	Mark Zuker	1985 Phillip Goldberg
1984 Maurie Askenazy	1994 U14 MSJFL	Phil Lewis	1986 Phillip Goldberg
1985 Maurie Askenazy	1995 U13 Comets MSJFL	Reuben Benkel	1987 Phillip Goldberg
1986 Harry Pakin	1995 U15 MSJFL	Bill Lewski	Ricky Hartman
1987 Harry Lewski	1998 U12 Comets MSJFL	Peter "Rocky" Rockman	1988 Danny Rosen
1988 Harry Lewski	1998 U14 MSJFL	Brandon Givoni	1989 Arik Singer
1989 Harry Lewski	1999 U14 MSJFL	Deon Givoni	1990 Paul Zaltsberg
1990 Alan Jankie	2000 U14 MSJFL	Peter Thurin	1991 Paul Zaltsberg
1991 Alan Jankie	2001 U14 MSJFL	Michael Karp	1992 Elliot Raleigh
1992 Alan Jankie	2002 U14 MSJFL	David Pinkus	1993 Jason Rapke
1993 Alan Jankie	2003 U13 Comets MSJFL	Rod Nissen	1994 Ari Lewski
1994 Phil Lewis	2005 U11 Jets MSJFL	Paul Shnider	1995 Darren Sutton
1995 Phil Lewis	2007 U9 Jets MSJFL	Graeme Le Bransky	Jeremy Dukes
1996 Phil Lewis	2007 U14 MSJFL	Mark Mitchell	Joel Sloane
1997 Phil Lewis	2007 U17 MSJFL	Andrew Shenker	1996 Ari Lewski
1998 Brandon Givoni	2008 U11 Jets MSJFL	Anthony Le Bransky	1997 Ari Lewski
1999 Brandon Givoni	2008 U12 Comets MSJFL		1998 Elliot Janover
2000 Brandon Givoni	2009 U11 Jets MSJFL		1999 Clinton Yudelman
2001 David Pinkus	2009 U16 MSJFL		2000 Grant Lewis
2002 David Pinkus	2010 U12 Jets MSJFL		Mark Chester
2003 David Pinkus	2011 U10 Stars MSJFL		2001 Daniel Markov
2004 David Pinkus	2011 U12 Jets MSJFL		2002 Corey Jankie
2005 Ralph Wollner	2011 U17 MSJFL		2003 Corey Jankie
2006 Ralph Wollner	2012 U9 Stars SMJFL		2004 Corey Jankie
2007 Paul Shnider	2012 U10 Comets SMJFL		2005 Daniel Freed
2008 Paul Shnider	2012 U10 Jets SMJFL		2006 Dean Wollner
2009 Paul Shnider	2013 U9 Stars SMJFL		2007 Warren Steinberg
2010 Paul Shnider	2013 U16 SMJFL		2008 Nick Lewis
2011 Mark Davis	2014 U9 Jets SMJFL		2009 Nick Lewis
2012 Mark Davis/Dan Antman	2014 U13 Comets SMJFL		2010 Ashley Krakauer
2013 Dan Antman			2011 Mendy Mochkin
2014 Dan Antman			2012 Michael Rechtman
			2013 Benji Michelson
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