CR United Hockey Club

2019 Hockey Victoria Junior State Championship



The 2019 Hockey Victoria Junior State Championship celebrated its tenth year of the Junior State Championships (JSC).

This event is the pinnacle junior hockey event for all aspiring juniors in Victoria.

Six metropolitan zones and four regional zones played in the event in both boys and girls divisions for Under 13, 15 and 18.

CR United had 12 of its juniors represent North East Knights, a combination of Hockey Albury Wodonga and Goulburn Valley Hockey Associations over 4 days of competition.

Our players all enjoyed a week of highly competitive hockey displaying great sportsmanship.

Congratulations to all involved.









DIVISION 3 MEN

finished 7th at the Junior State Championships.

On a warm spring-like day United took on a determined Magpies

Without a bench for United's undermanned squad, it was always going to be a tough game.

Both teams took on the game with short corners coming thick and fast but neither team being able to convert. With two minutes left in the first half Magpies got a quick break and scored, leading United 0-1 down at half time. Coach Hilly praised the team's efforts and made some changes to try and keep United's aggressive run up.

The second half started quickly but bodies started to wear in the unfamiliar winter heat.

United was pressing hard with multiple short corners but still unable to convert.

With 10 minutes to go United attacked again when a ball spilled perfectly to Shannon to squeeze one past the keeper to level the scores.

United then had repeat entries but Magpies continued to defend hard.

With two minutes remaining the Magpies had an unnerving break away but the United defence held strong, defending as a team and was able to hold on to a draw.

United 1 defeated Magpies Black 1 Goals: Shannon Beacom.

Awards: Kurt Schmidt.

DIVISION 3 WOMEN

The div 3 women's side faced ladder toppers, Norths. Congratulations to Jocelyn, who was playing her 200th game for United. After last week's slow start Shifty encouraged the girls to go out hard and be first to the ball.

From early in the game, United's defence was repelling Norths frequent attacks, and with no goalie for 10 minutes in the first half, Saskia, Jamay and Rachel had everything covered. Unfortunately,

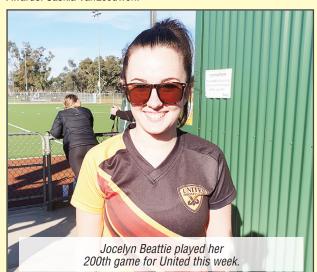
Norths were able to work one in before United could get a goalie geared up. The game was predominately being played between the 25's, and following an intercept in the centre and some quick passing between Jocelyn and Kristy in the circle, Kristy was able to slap one behind the Norths goalie. 1-1 at half time.

The second half saw United get plenty of forward opportunities, but were just unable to get the ball past the goalie. With less than five minutes to go, Norths got a long ball through to their CF in the circle, creating a 1-1 with our stand in goalie Kellie and despite Kel making life difficult, Norths were able to work the ball into the backboard. Even though the end result was 2-1, this was by far the girl's best

team game of the year.

Many thanks to Kellie for putting on the goalie gear for the first time ever, and making some great saves.

United 1 defeated by Norths 2 Goals: Kristy Chandler. Awards: Saskia VanLeeuwen.



DIVISION 2 WOMEN

The United girls took on Magpies this week in a hard game from the onset. The girls soon found their mojo and were able to establish their game. It was a great team effort with great passing.

The team also welcomed Ainslea to goals this week. Thanks also to those that filled in.

United 3 defeated Magpies 1

Goals: Katrina Colvin 2, and Chevelle Dunn 1.

Awards: Taylor Rosewarne.

DIVISION 1 MEN

United faced the Wombats in round 11. The two teams started strongly with play down both ends of the field. United were awarded a short corner early in the game but were unable to convert. Tim Smith scored a goal from some great teamwork and then scored another goal just before quarter time. A short corner to Wombats after the break saw them scoreless due to the team's fantastic defence from Scotty and the others. The team scored another goal from Dave after a short corner penalty and then Tim Smith scored again with 30 seconds to go before half time. After the half time break, Wombats picked up the pace and were able to break through to score two goals in the third quarter. Dave said at the quarter time break that United needed to lift to win this game. Matt Vogel scored a much needed goal to give the team a steady lead in the game. Wombats kept the fight up but Tim Smith broke through their defence again to score his fourth goal of the game. A great team game today.

Thanks to Matt and Justin from Div 2 for helping out.

United 6 defeated Wombats 2

Goals: Tim Smith 4, Dave Foster 1, Matt Vogel 1.

Awards: Dylan Hewitt







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