

<p>LEEWIN NATURALISTE JUNIOR SOCCER ASSOCIATION</p>
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## Knockout Competition and Finals

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The Knock-Out Cup is a second competition for the FIFA leagues. The Knock-Out Cup is NOT the finals of the League; it is a separate competition. This season the entire Knockout Cup will not take place after the end of the regular home and away competition, but rather will feature Quarter-finals and Semi-final rounds that take place during the regular home and away season and will also include the U12's for their inaugural Cup feature this season.

**Cup Quarter Finals - 15<sup>th</sup> June 2024**

**Cup Semi Finals – 24<sup>th</sup> August 2024**

The LNJSAs Grand-Final (Day) matches will be held as per previous seasons, following completion of the regular home and away season.

**Cup Grand Final Day – 14<sup>th</sup> September 2024 @ Football Margaret River Grounds**

The U13's & U14's / U15's LNJSAs Development Teams will NOT participate in the LNJSAs Knockout Cup competition. Players who play with the Development Teams will play for with their regular club team in the Knockout Cup.

In the Knock-Out Cup teams are drawn at random to play each other with winners progressing to the next Cup Round.

## Knockout Cup Match Rules

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1. Teams are not allowed to play new players (players that did not play for the team during the League season) for the Cup games.
2. **Being Cup-Tied** - If a player has played for more than one team during the season i.e. they played games during the season for a higher age group or division, they must choose which team they play for in the Knockout Comp. They will only be able to play for one team in the

Knockout Comp. They may not play for a second team even if their first team is eliminated.

3. For the QF's and SF's, the first mentioned team is responsible for setting up of the pitch. The referee will be supplied by the LNJSA Referee Coordinator and a *pre-filled match card* will be supplied by the LNJSA Match Recorder. **Team lists are to be emailed to the LNJSA Match Recorder one week prior to the cup round taking place – [lnjsa.matchrecorder@gmail.com](mailto:lnjsa.matchrecorder@gmail.com)**. Where a referee cannot be allocated by the LNJSA Referee Coordinator, the home team will be responsible for supplying a referee.
4. The game will be played for the regular duration of a match as has been played throughout the season. If there is a DRAW after the regular playing time, a **penalty shoot-out** will determine the winner of the match.
5. There is no extra time to be played for Quarter and Semi Final matches. CUP FINALS will have extra time (2 x 10 min.)
6. **Penalty shoot-out rules:** Only players that were on the pitch after extra time are eligible to take a penalty (substitute players are not to take part in the penalty shoot-out!). The following rules apply to a penalty shoot-out:
  - (a) The starting team is determined by throwing the coin!
  - (b) Selected five players from each team take ONE shot each, alternating between the teams.
  - (c) If there is still a draw, additional players will take shots, alternating between the team until one player prevails.
  - (d) If there is still a draw after all eleven players have taken a penalty, the first five players will be invited to take a second shot, alternating between the team until one player prevails.
  - (e) Keepers are eligible to take penalties.
  - (f) Only the keeper and the penalty taker are allowed in the penalty area.
7. If there is a penalty shoot-out, the following game(s) may start after a delay. Players and coaches are reminded to be aware of this.
8. Referee F&B votes are not allocated for the Cup games. The match card is required to ascertain the result and that only registered players that played throughout the season participate in the game.

- A squad is to be limited to 17 players per game (a maximum of SIX substitute players are permitted).

### U12's Division

With eleven participating teams, the U12's division teams will be drawn into three Quarter Final 'Groups' and one standard Quarter Final Games. This will allow 4 teams to progress to the Semi Final.

On the QF Round, the teams drawn into the QF Groups will be fixtured to play each team once, in a round robin format. Each match will be 30 minutes in duration (2 x 15 min halves). There will be a 5-min half time break and a 10 min break between each game.

The overall winner of the QF Groups round robin will progress to the Semi Final, along with the winner of each the QF Games. The QF Group winner will be determined by the following criteria:

- Points (3 for a win 1, for a draw, 0 for a loss)
- Goal Difference (Goals for less goals against)
- Highest Goals scored

If two teams are unable to be separated by the above criteria, they will participate in a penalty shoot-out to determine the overall winner.

See diagram below:

CUP 12 & UNDER		QUARTER FINALS		SEMI FINALS		GRAND FINAL	
		15-Jun		24-Aug		14-Sep	
TEAMS							
1	GMAS Storm	ROUND ROBIN 1	9.00am GMAS Storm v Vasse Pythons	SEMI FINAL 1	TBD RR1 Winner v RR2 Winner	FINAL	TBD SF1 Winner v SF2 Winner FMR
2	Vasse Pythons		9.45am GMAS Storm v GBFC Seasiders				
3	GBFC Seasiders		10.30am Vasse Pythons v GBFC Seasiders				
4	BCFC Bullets		Pitch 8 @ Churchill Park				
5	FMR Legends						
6	FMR Wyverns						
7	Duns Glory						
8	FMR Stingrays	ROUND ROBIN 2	9.00am BCFC Bullets v FMR Legends	SEMI FINAL 2	TBD RR3 Winner v QF Winner		
9	BCFC Flames		9.45am BCFC Bullets v FMR Wyverns				
10	MUSC		10.30am FMR Legends v FMR Wyverns				
11	Capel Wolves		Pitch 4 @ FMR				
* Teams listed in order they were drawn							
		ROUND ROBIN 3	11.00am Duns Glory v FMR Stingrays				
			11.45am Duns Glory v BCFC Flames				
			12.30pm FMR Stingrays v BCFC Flames				
		Pitch 3 @ Dunsborough					
		QUARTER FINAL	11.30am MUSC v Capel Wolves				
		Pitch 8 @ Churchill Park					

## U13's Division

With six participating teams, the U13's division will change to two Quarter Final 'Groups' which each team playing the other teams in its group once. Each match will be 40 minutes in duration (2 x 20 min halves). There will be a 5-min half time break and a 15 min break between each game.

The overall winner from each Group will progress and play the 2<sup>nd</sup> place team from the other group in the Semi Final. The QF Group winner will be determined by the following criteria:

- Points (3 for a win 1, for a draw, 0 for a loss)
- Goal Difference (Goals for less goals against)
- Highest Goals scored

If two teams are unable to be separated by the above criteria, they will participate in a penalty shoot-out to determine the overall winner.

See diagram below:

CUP 13 & UNDER		QUARTER FINALS		SEMI FINALS		GRAND FINAL	
		15-Jun		24-Aug		14-Sep	
TEAMS							
1	Cornerstone Chooks	ROUND ROBIN 1	9.00am Chooks v Tigers	SEMI FINAL 1	TBD	FINAL	TBD SF1 Winner v SF2 Winner FMR
2	Vasse Tigers		10.00am Chooks v Rockets		RR1 1st v		
3	FMR Rockets		11.00am Tigers v Rockets		RR2 2nd		
4	GMAS Phantoms		Pitch 1 @ Vasse		TBD		
5	GMAS Gladiators						
6	FMR Warriors						
* Teams listed in order they were drawn							
		ROUND ROBIN 2	9.00am Phantoms v Gladiators	SEMI FINAL 2	TBD		
			10.00am Phantoms v Warriors		RR2 1st v		
			11.00am Gladiators v Warriors		RR1 2nd		
			Pitch 2 @ Barnard Park		TBD		

## U14's Division

With six participating teams, the U14's division will change to two Quarter Final 'Groups' which each team playing the other teams in its group once. Each match will be 40 minutes in duration (2 x 20 min halves). There will be a 5-min half time break and a 15 min break between each game.

The overall winner from each Group will progress and play the 2<sup>nd</sup> place team from the other group in the Semi Final. The QF Group winner will be determined by the following criteria:

- Points (3 for a win 1, for a draw, 0 for a loss)
- Goal Difference (Goals for less goals against)
- Highest Goals scored

If two teams are unable to be separated by the above criteria, they will participate in a penalty shoot-out to determine the overall winner.

See diagram below:

CUP 14 & UNDER		QUARTER FINALS		SEMI FINALS		GRAND FINAL	
		15-Jun		24-Aug		14-Sep	
TEAMS							
1	Duns Wanderers	ROUND ROBIN 1	9.00am Wanderers v Lions	SEMI FINAL 1	TBD	FINAL	TBD SF1 Winner v SF2 Winner FMR
2	BCFC Lions		10.00am Wanderers v Cobras		RR1 1st v RR2 2nd		
3	Vasse Cobras		11.00am Lions v Cobras				
4	Duns Roar		Pitch 1 @ Bovell				
5	FMR Tigers						
6	FMR Sharks						
* Teams listed in order they were drawn							
		ROUND ROBIN 2	9.00am Roar v Tigers	SEMI FINAL 2	TBD		
			10.00am Roar v Sharks		RR2 1st v RR1 2nd		
			11.00am Tigers v Sharks		TBD		
			Pitch 2 @ FMR				

## U15's Division

With five participating teams, the U 15s division will not play QF matches, but will have a general bye with clubs given the opportunity to organise Friendlies. At the Cup Quarter-final draw, the 15s division teams will be drawn into a SF 'Group' and a standard SF Game.

On the SF Round, the teams drawn into the SF Groups will be fixtured to play each other team once, in a round robin format. Each match will be 70 min in duration (2 x 30 min halves). There will be a 10-min half time break and a 20 min break between each game.

The overall winner of the SF Group round robin will progress to the Cup Final, along with the winner of the SF Game. The SF Group winner will be determined by the following criteria:

- Points (3 for a win 1, for a draw, 0 for a loss)
- Goal Difference (Goals for less goals against)
- Highest Goals scored

If two teams are unable to be separated by the above criteria, they will participate in a penalty shoot-out to determine the overall winner.

See diagram below:

CUP 15 & UNDER			SEMI FINALS	GRAND FINAL
			24-Aug	14-Sep
TEAMS				
1	BCFC Thunder	ROUND ROBIN	<b>9.00am</b> Thunder v Seasiders <b>10.30am</b> Thunder v Blaze <b>12.00pm</b> Seasiders v Blaze <b>Barnard Park 1</b>	
2	GBFC Seasiders			
3	FMR The Blaze			
4	Cornerstone Crumpets			
5	Duns Jets			
* Teams listed in order they were drawn				
		SEMI FINALS	<b>9.00am</b> Crumpets v Jets <b>Barnard Park 2</b>	FINAL <b>TBD</b> Winner SF 1 v Winner SF 2 <b>FMR</b>

## Youth League Division

With four participating teams, the Youth League division will not play QF matches, but will play an additional Home and Away round. At the Cup Quarter-final draw, the Youth League division teams will be drawn into a Standard Semi Finals Matches.

The winner of each Semi Final Match will progress to the Cup Finals on September 14.

**See diagram below:**

<b>CUP YOUTH LEAGUE</b>		<b>SEMI FINALS</b>			<b>GRAND FINAL</b>		
		<b>24-Aug</b>			<b>14-Sep</b>		
<b>TEAMS</b>		<b>SEMI FINAL 1</b>	<b>12.00pm</b>		<b>FINAL</b>	<b>TBD</b>	
1	BCFC		BCFC			SF1 Winner	
2	Cornerstone Crabs		v			v	
3	GBFC Seaside		Cornerstone Crabs			<b>FMR</b>	
4	FMR Wanderers		<b>Pitch 2 @ Barnard Park</b>				
* Teams listed in order they were drawn		<b>SEMI FINAL 2</b>	<b>12.00pm</b>				
			GBFC Seaside				
			v				
			FMR Wanderers				
			<b>Pitch 1 at Bovell</b>				