



The Capital Football futsal summer competitions for the 2016/17 season have been a fantastic showcase of skill and enthusiasm. Team numbers had increased from the previous summer and happy to say the disciplinary matters have reduced. The finals series are now in full swing after some tight runs to secure a top 4 spot.

Women's Division 3 @ AIS, Monday 6th March

Hawkies (0) lost to **NCU (1)**

The Women's Division 3 competition kicked off the Grand Finals for the summer season. It is the first season in two years that we have been able to run a separate Division 3 competition for the women. However with only 4 teams they opted to play a reduced competition. All teams seemed to have an enjoyable season with some new players to the sport which is always great to see. Both Hawkies and NCU were the top two teams and had comfortable Semi Final wins. Hawkies had the upper hand beating NCU 3 out of the 4 occasions in the regular season but a Grand Final can be anyone's match. The Final started quite casually with both teams passing the ball around and waiting for opportunities to strike. Hawkies were down a couple of players but it didn't stop them from pushing up and testing NCU's back line and keeper. There were a number of unlucky shots in the first half with neither team scoring before the break. The second half there was a lot more desperation to score, wanting to get that little edge in front. Unfortunately an own goal from Hawkies put NCU on the score board and that was enough to seal the win for NCU, a Grand Final win without an individual goal scorer is definitely one for the record books. NCU winning 1-0.

Mixed Division 1 @ AIS, Tuesday 21st March

NCU Red (7) defeated NCU Navy (5)

What a match this was lined up to be with a battle between the NCU teams. Their regular season match ups saw the undefeated Red as victors in two high scoring matches, giving them the bragging rights coming into the Final. With two female players out injured for Red, the Navy team was not to be underestimated and despite the casual play at the start with both teams easing into the match, Navy came scored an early goal in the first couple of minutes. Red however picked up the pace to take a two goal lead. Michael Sydney showing some impressive footwork biting back at the lead but it was Brandon Hawker's little chip over the keeper that gave his team a 4-2 lead at the break. The start of the second half proved both teams were determined not to be defeated. Great teamwork from the Red team and all class shots from Navy kept the goals coming. Navy's GK Ray Moon decided to show how it's done both ends of the floor to keep his team in the running, but it was the teamwork from Red that got them over the line with all on-court players scoring and taking out the match 7-5. Special mention to the Navy team whose female members are all partners of the NCU men and have come from a spectating background to have a crack alongside their male counterparts. A great effort from Navy against a talented Premier League side from Red.

Women's Division 2 @ Merici College, Wednesday 22nd March

Rubber Duckies (1) lost to **Super Marios (4)**

The Women's Division 2 competition proved that when it comes to the final series it is anyone's game after Rubber Duckies knocked off the top of the table team in a shock 5-2 Semi Final win. Super Marios seemed to breeze past their opposition with a high scoring 8 goals. The final was set with both teams coming into the match off a high. It was fast paced and intense from the kick-off. Rubber Duckies seemed to have the upper hand on the attack in the first half but could not get the ball past the Super Marios keeper Faina Bariesheff, who's team took a 1-0 lead at halftime. Super Marios Nat

McCann was quick off the mark in the second half scoring two quick goals in the second half to give her team a steady lead. She finished the match with a hatrick. Despite trailing, the Rubber Duckies team remained competitive keeping up the intensity and finally managed to score in the dying seconds of the match. Super Marios took out the win 4-1.

Men's Division 5 North @ Gold Creek, Sunday 26th March

Hotpockets (12) defeated Chaos (4)

On paper there was nothing between these two teams coming into the match off two convincing Semi Final wins. The first half was full of excitement with both teams going goal for goal. The distribution of goals between the players was a display of the depth of talent amongst both teams. Chaos trailed by two goals at halftime but unfortunately for them the match slipped away in the second half with Hotpockets scoring a flurry of goals. The intensity of the match heightened in the end with Chaos determined to not stop until the final whistle but Hotpockets managed to take a convincing 12-4 win.

Women's Division 1 @ ANU, Monday 27th March

Pelicans (0) lost to **UNCO FC (2)**

Women's Division 1 was another strong and competitive competition with the top teams giving each other a run for their money. The Semi Final match ups were close and for both teams they also only dropped one match each in the regular season. Maja Blasch started on the attack for Pelicans testing her opponents defensive line and goal keeper Nat Lacey. UNCO FC had the better teamwork and tried to capitalise on that, with Kelly Stirton the first to find the back of the net just before the break giving her team a 1-0 lead. Stirton scored her second in the 24th minute with a ricochet of a corner kick. Pelicans were pressuring up desperate to score a goal but almost every touch found it hard to get past UNCO FC who's focus was to not concede a goal. In the dying stages it was Pelicans who had most of the control and consecutive shots on goal, but keeper Nat Lacey, once again proving why she was voted Futsal Premier League MVP denied everything. UNCO FC held onto the 2-0 win!

Men's Division 2 @ ANU, Monday 27th March

Lads FC (0) lost to **Timberwolves (5)** on forfeit

Lads FC were the goal scoring machines in the Men's Division 2 competition this season with a whopping 129 goals, 31 ahead of the next placed team. Both teams had a tough Semi Final match only taking out their wins by one goal. After winning their regular season match up, Timberwolves were the first on the attack in the Final, but a counter play saw Lads FC as the first to get on the scoreboard after a couple of minutes. The next few minutes went goal for goal with Lads FC maintaining the lead. The match seemed pretty even at the end of the first half despite Lads FC taking a 4-1 lead. Timberwolves again came out with the higher intensity but the footwork from Lads was unmatched. With 10mins remaining in the match, Timberwolves were trailing by two goals and determined not to give up, but a late charge from Lads FC saw them close out the match winning 8-4. Unfortunately after the match it was discovered that Lads FC had played ineligible players and the official match result ended up in a 5-0 forfeit win to Timberwolves!

Men's Division 1 @ ANU, Monday 27th March

Globo Gym Purple Cobras (8) defeated Washed (2)

Globo Gym have been the top team all season and are coming off the back of a convincing Semi Final win. After losing the Semi Final, Wahed managed to get a "wildcard" entry into the Grand Final as

their opponents were found to have played ineligible players, resulting in a forfeit. With a second chance at the title they were determined to go out there and give the almighty Purple Cobras a run for their money. But it was Globo Gym that set the bar quickly scoring two consecutive goals in the 6th minute controlling the momentum of the match. Washed would not let them take the easy ride with Chris Lee scoring a superb baseline kick and shortly followed by Glen Smith's big boot in the top left corner to equalise the scores in the 11th minute. The showcase of skills from Globo Gym gave them a comfortable 5-2 lead at the break. The second half intensified with both teams having substantial chances to score but keepers Nikolas Barisic (GG) and Ashley Collins (W) were exceptional. In what was a fantastic display of skill, competitiveness and sportsmanship, unfortunately one team must always be crowned the winner and that deservingly went to the Globo Gym team for rounding out their stellar season with a 8-2 win.

Men's Division 4 Gold @ ANU, Wednesday 29th March

Aneil Jambles (6) defeated Jewventus (5)

The Aneil Jambles team were ahead of the pack in the Gold competition this season going through undefeated. The other three Semi Finalists seemed to cement their position early in the competition however there was a tight race to determine their final standings with Jewventus falling into 3rd place. It was a slow start to the Finals match with the teams taking a few minutes to warmup until Jewventus picked up the pace turning to a quick attacking style game. Aneil Jambles had a different approach slowing the ball down, keeping control until they had a shot at goals. This went in their favour as they led at the break by one goal. Much of the second half was the same with Jewventus always on the counter-attack but unable to get a lead over their opposition. It was an exciting race to the finish line with Aneil Jambles getting in front to take a 6-5 win. Standout performances from Aneil's Brandon Palmer and Jewventus' Elijah Howe scoring three goals each for their respective teams.

Men's Division 4 Blue @ ANU, Wednesday 29th March

Canberra Kangaroos (4 [1]) lost to **Victorious Secret (4[2])**

These two teams have been the teams to beat this season. Canberra Kangaroos have not dropped a match and Victorious Secret still maintaining their strong form despite losing some players due to injury through the back end of the season. Canberra Kangaroos had most of the possession of the ball in the first half utilising all their players on the court. They started off the scoring run within the first two minutes of the match that ended up a case of exchanging goals with Victorious Secret's Tom Carne who scored a double in the first half to trail 3-2. An early goal from Victorious in the second half levelled the scores once again which was shortly followed by another goal from Tom Carne getting his hatrick to finally take the lead for his team. The Kangaroos were not a fan of being behind and fought back to even the match for the fourth time. The match took a bad turn when two of the Canberra Kangaroos players suffered a head clash that put a stoppage to play. The injury ran the clock out sending the match into extra-time. Neither team was able to find the back of the net in extra-time so it was down to the keepers to determine the result. Victorious Secret held up to their name winning in penalties 2-1.

Men's Division 3 @ ANU, Wednesday 29th March

How About Zlat (9) defeated Old Skool (4)

Despite the difference in ladder positions for these two teams being 1st and 3rd respectively, their previous encounters saw nothing between them with both matches resulting in draws. Old Skool

came out of the gates firing with two quick goals to stamp their mark on the match. The first half saw a physical contest from both sides as well as being quite fast paced. How About Zlat came back to take the lead in the nick of time before the break and they continued that momentum into the start of the second half breaking away from Old Skool. Desperation set in on the veterans as the intensity heightened. Toplica Popovich was the saving grace for Old Skool keeping their hopes alive with three goals to claim, however the speed and skill from the young Zlats got them over the line. Syn-zer Lim and Brant Taylor scored 7 of their teams 9 goals between them in a very exciting match.

Men's Division 4 @ John Paul College, Wednesday 29th March

Razz (4) defeated Fluorescent Adolescents

This has by far been the most competitive competition for the 16/17 Summer season. All teams in the league have displayed high levels of skill and understanding of the game as well as the quality of players amongst the teams including the keepers has been of a high standard. For the Final match, Fluorescent Adolescents had the upper hand, after drawing their first encounter came away with a 4-3 win in their second match-up. Both teams worked the ball around early taking quality shots on goal but the keepers wouldn't have a bar of it denying every shot. Razz opted for the early timeout 8mins into the match. It was a heated and rough first half with neither team scoring. The second half was much the same with the intensity heightened, Razz rallied to make a 2-0 score line in the 32nd minute. The Fluorescent team couldn't remain composed with a flurry of Yellow Cards being handed out unfortunately ending in a player being sent off. After a couple of fantastic saves, the Fluorescent's keeper let an unlucky one slip through the hands which locked in the win for Razz, and sealing it with another goal right on the buzzer taking a 4-0 victory. Top effort from both teams!

Men's Division 5 @ Tuggeranong, Sunday 2nd April

K FC (4) lost to **Dyslexics Untied (6)**

K FC have been the dominant team all season with some marginal wins scoring 150 goals. Dyslexics Untied had a surprising Semi Final win after struggling to field a full team towards the back end of the season. In their prior match ups K FC have taken all three wins and quite convincingly, however that is never sure cause coming into a Final. The determination to get the win from Dyslexics was evident from the start with their few supporters matching their vocals against the large group supporting the K FC team. Unfortunately these spectators put a sour note on the game with one of them having to be removed. Dyslexics took a two goal lead into the second half with the match settling down a bit. Despite K FC fighting back and utilising their teamwork to score goals, the passion from their opposition was what got them over the line in the end going down 4-6. A special mention goes to the players from K FC for a strong season and being good sports.

Men's Division 3 @ Tuggeranong, Sunday 2nd April

Serena Williams (7) defeated Jackson Bangers (4)

The Men's Division 3 South competition was a reduced competition only comprising of 4 teams. For majority of matches the results were all pretty close in high scoring affairs. Serena Williams only dropped one game this season and were the form team taking a huge Semi Final win. Jackson Bangers had a tougher encounter with their Semi going into extra time and scraped away with a one point win. The Grand Final started pretty casually with the teams all good mates. Serena Williams continued their form scoring some cracking goals to take a 5-0 lead at halftime. Jackson Bangers decided to pick up the intensity scoring in the 21st minute, but couldn't hold back their opposition with the second half going goal for goal. Despite Jackson Bangers winning the second half by two

goals, Serena Williams maintained their lead taking a 7-4 victory. In a friendly encounter, the night ended with many laughs, comradery, superb skill level of futsal, impressive goals and Damien Corey getting a hatrick for his winning team.

Men's Division 1 @ Tuggeranong, Sunday 2nd April

Gunners (8) defeated Mingo Bravo (7)

Gunners have gone through the season undefeated as well as conceding the least number of goals. After a shock bow out of the Semi Finals in their last summer futsal season, they were back with a vengeance. Mingo Bravo started the match without their star goal scorer Julian Borgna. Gunners were quick to take advantage of this getting Mingo Bravo off-guard and scoring right off the whistle. The defensive line from Mingo Bravo was almost non-existent leaving their keeper in the lurch with Gunners scoring multiple goals in the first 10 minutes, including two impressive headers into the top corners. Once Mingo Bravo's goal scorer arrived in the 11th minute, the tone of the match changed dramatically, and they crawled back at the lead trailing 7-3 at halftime. The second half unfortunately took a turn for the worse with multiple Yellow Cards issued for dangerous tackles resulting in a melee on court. Mingo Bravo kept Gunners scoreless for the second half whilst they levelled it taking it into extra time. Gunners managed to sneak a goal in just before the end of extra time to take out an 8-7 win.

Men's Division 4 @ UC, Thursday 6th April

A\$AP Mob (3) lost to **Doge (9)**

The A\$AP Mob were the underdogs for the Grand Final of the Division 4 competition after causing an upset in the Semi Final, narrowly knocking off the first placed and undefeated team. Doge also had a tough Semi sneaking away with a one point win. With both teams evenly matched the Final was anyone's game, coming down to who wants it more on the night. It was quick play right from the kick-off. Trading goals in the first half Doge managed to have the advantage taking a 3-2 lead into the break. Doge continued their strong form into the second half with Tom Carne and Andrew Manley scoring 3 goals each for the match. Unfortunately A\$AP Mob couldn't close the gap only scoring a single goal in the second half going down 9-3.

Men's Division 3 @ UC, Thursday 6th April

Moist FC White (7) defeated Borussia Teeth (1)

It was a top of the table clash for the Men's Division 3 UC Final. Both teams had tough Semi Final matches and have been quite consistent throughout the season. Their regular season match ups could not determine who was the better team going into the Final with a win each and Moist FC having their sole loss against Borussia Teeth. The Final started with high intensity of play with both teams eager to score that first goal. Moist FC got out to an early lead and maintained the momentum in the first half with a comfortable 5-1 lead. Borussia Teeth picked up the pace in a heated second half. They had plenty of shots on goal but luck was not on their side hitting the post and just inches away from scoring on every occasion. Borussia were unable to score for the remainder of the match with Moist FC adding another two goals to their tally, with a hatrick from captain Chris Gill. They walked away victors with a successful 7-1 win.

Mixed Division 2 @ ANU, Friday 7th April

Street Div (3) lost to **Ninja Peanuts (12)**

There has been an ongoing friendly rivalry between these two teams for many seasons now with

their matches against one another always high scoring, fast paced and on many occasions ending in a draw. Street Div haven't lost a match all season and scored a whopping 170 goals, which has been the highest number of goals scored by any team in the 2016/17 Summer season. Ninja Peanuts only loss has been against their Grand Final opposition so were ready for a replay and to turn the tables around. Street Div unfortunately had a tough road ahead of them in the Final as a couple of their goal scoring male players were out injured. That didn't stop them as Jasmine Norton was first to score in the match giving Street Div the head start. Ninja Peanuts Tim Turek came out powering after a few minutes doing what he does best and striking with great force to put his team in front. They continued this momentum and lead 8-2 at half time. Despite being down by a marginal amount, Street Div never gave up and really pushed Ninja Peanuts in the second half not allowing them to score as many goals. They had some close calls but could only get one additional shot at goal past the keeper. Ninja Peanuts added another four goals to their total, with Nick Grant scoring 5 of them in their 12-3 win. Both teams played in the best spirit of the game and showed what mixed social futsal is all about!

Men's Division 5 Gold @ ANU, Friday 7th April

Lallanas In Pajamas (3) lost to **Josh Mason (4)**

Josh Mason were coming into the Grand Final match as underdogs, after being defeated twice by Lallanas In Pajamas, who were also on top of the ladder with a clear lead of 11 points. And it was the underdogs who tested the waters first scoring the only goal of the first half in a physical encounter. After a couple of minutes to regroup, Lallanas seemed more in control and Danny Krajacic scored within seconds of the whistle kick-starting the second half. They kept up this momentum and took the lead showing why they were the top team, with Danny adding another two goals scoring a hatrick for Lallanas. Inter-team frustrations got the better of them towards the back end of the game and Josh Mason capitalised on this levelling the scores at 3-a-piece. What looked like another match that would head to extra time, Josh Mason scored seconds before the final whistle taking a sweet 4-3 victory.

Men's Division 5 Blue @ ANU, Friday 7th April

Moist FC (21) defeated Cabbage (2)

On paper this season not much has separated these two teams. Moist FC had the bragging rights in their sole match in Round 9 however Cabbage were coming off the back of a tougher Semi Final so had better preparation. Unfortunately for Cabbage, a couple of their key players were away for the big Finale leaving them with a tough road ahead. Moist FC capitalised on this early scoring a run of goals to take a quick lead with 12 goals in the first half compared to Cabbage's 1. The second half was much the same with Moist FC using their cohesion and teamwork to score goals. Credit goes to Cabbage who despite trailing by a marginal amount, kept their spirits up persisting right through to the final whistle. Jonathan Brand finished with an outstanding 7 goals for Moist FC, followed by Jeshua Hollis with 5 goals and Peter O'Dea with 3.

Men's Division 4 @ ANU, Friday 7th April

Ladzio (6) defeated ANU Futsal Blue (5)

The Men's Division 4 Grand Final was the last Final held wrapping up the 2016/17 Summer season in a passionate match between two stellar teams. Both teams had close Semi Final matches and their regular season encounter gave both teams a win each. The match was very physical from the start with neither team giving an inch of space towards their opposition. ANU was the first to score with

two consecutive goals giving them a 2-0 run for most of the first half. Lazio pulled it together and patiently passing the ball around finding the right time to attack. They levelled the scores seconds before halftime and continued that momentum scoring right off the start of the second half, catching ANU off guard. Most of the second half went goal for goal with Lazio always maintaining that foot in front and ANU having to continue to work to level the scores. The intensity heightened in the back end of the match with some reckless tackles by both teams. It was evident that ANU were more hyped up to win, but loss of control in the dying stages gave Lazio that edge to hold onto their lead and take the 6-5 victory.

