

**JULY
2024**

COUNTRY FOOTBALL WA

Great Southern

Carnival Footy

It's that time of the year again where Carnival Football is the theme of every conversation. On the 15th and 16th of June, the Great Southern Colts Carnival was held in Kulin. The Great Southern Storm and Ongerup Football Association submitted teams into the 8-team carnival, competing against Eastern Districts, Peel, Lower South West, Upper Great Southern, Esperance and Goldfields. The OFA have had better carnivals, after going winless across the two-days; while the Storm had a successful carnival, making it to the grand final, but ultimately losing to Peel.



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EVENTS

- 6** **Munglinup Fixture**
 RDFA
- 10** **Claremont FC**
 Masterclass
- 10-14** **Country Champs**
 (Men & Colts)
- 21** **AFL Half-time**
 Den & Mt Bar
- 27** **Claremont vs**
 East Perth Colts
- 27** **WAFL Half-time**
 SDJFA & OFA

The Country Championships is the next big carnival on the calendar, which hosts 3-Divisions for Men and 1 for Colts. The Colts will play Thursday and Friday in Mandurah, whilst the Men will play Friday, Saturday and Sunday (grand finals) across different venues. The Great Southern Storm will be attending, whilst a handful of OFA players will play for the Red Dogs (make-up of Eastern Districts, Lower South West, Upper Great Southern, Esperance and Goldfields).

The OFA have dropped down into Division 2 after an unsuccessful campaign in Division 1 in 2023, but look to reach their 2022 form and win Division 2, to once again move up into Division 1.

The GSFL will compete in Division 3 for a second consecutive year after a rocky first year back at the carnival since pre-covid.

Both teams are entering the Championships with strong sides and the thirst for carnival victory.

Carnival Footy

The Great Southern Junior Carnival was held on Sunday the 16th of June at Lake Grace, with 8 teams consisting of 168 participants from 20 different towns competing for the title. Players came from as far east as Ravensthorpe, to Narembeen and Corrigin in the North, to Boyup Brook and Kojonup in the west, and finally Albany in the south.

Kojonup/Boyup Brook walked away winners after a hard fought carnival.



Volunteer of the Year



Week 5 Winner
Ashlee Williamson



Week 6 Winner
Gabby Dixon



Week 7 Winner
Dave Freeman



Week 8 Winner
Brayden Dunkeld

To nominate a volunteer, please email - jliddelow@wafc.com.au

School Football

The July school-holidays bring to an end to school football for term 2, which was carnivals galore. The Eagles Cup grand final will forever go down as a classic with Albany PS defeating Great Southern Grammar 3.0 - 18 to 2.2 - 14. Albany PS played catch-up all game after Grammar burst out of the gates and lead for all but one-second with the last kick of the game sailing through the big sticks to seal the win.

Moving on to term 3, schools are now preparing their teams for the Dockers Shield and Dockers Cup carnivals.

