

Women's Country Champs - Kimberley All Stars

Early in the month, the Kimberley was represented on the biggest stage for female country football, with our All Stars rep team competing against the best in Mandurah at the 2024 Nutrien Ag Women's Country Champs. The team again played in Division 1, but unfortunately came up against solid competition and didn't manage to get a win across the three games against Peel, Southwest and Great Northern. Well done to all the players and support staff for your efforts on an enjoyable carnival.



Right: Selected in the Country Champs All Star squad - Ellie Blackmore and Tegan Brooks from Broome Towns Sports Club.

Below: The opening welcome to Country at Rushton park.





The Purple Hands Foundation and Fremantle Football Club returned to Broome in October for the Kimberley 9s AFL beach carnival, where over 450 local school kids enjoyed an exciting two-day event.

In its fourth year, the carnival took place at Gantheaume Point as part of the Kimberley Connected program. West Australian Football Commission staff assisted Fremantle Football Club in the preparation and set up of the event. The Kimberley Connected program, supported by Containers for Change, brings together schools across the Kimberley to encourage positive choices and school attendance. The Kimberley 9s carnival remains one of the program's key highlights, inspiring local youth through sport and community engagement.



*Left:* Selected students from across the Kimberley partake in AFL 9 fields set up on Cable Beach.  
*Right:* Fremantle Dockers Michael Frederick hanging out with students

The Kimberley Football Action Plan (KFAP, formerly the Kimberley Investment Framework) annual review forums were conducted late October, starting in Broome on Friday 25th, through to Fitzroy and Halls Creek, and ending in Kununurra on the Monday 28th.

Excellent attendance created lengthy discussion and consultation to footballing issues relevant to each region, with the underpinning element of promoting the successful year in football, and discussing more ways the KFAP can support local clubs, leagues and volunteers.

Thankyou to all those that attended these forums and appreciate the input. Summary and action items from each region will be shared to leagues and stakeholders in the coming weeks.



Above: CFWA staff workshopping identified challenges and opportunities that 2025 presents their respective clubs/leagues.  
Left: Fremantle Dockers regional staff member Ben DeMeo showcasing Fremantle's new presence in the Kimberley and engagements for 2025