

NORTHERN METROPOLITAN REGION PRIMARY BOYS/MIXED & GIRLS FOOTBALL (SOCCER) FINALS

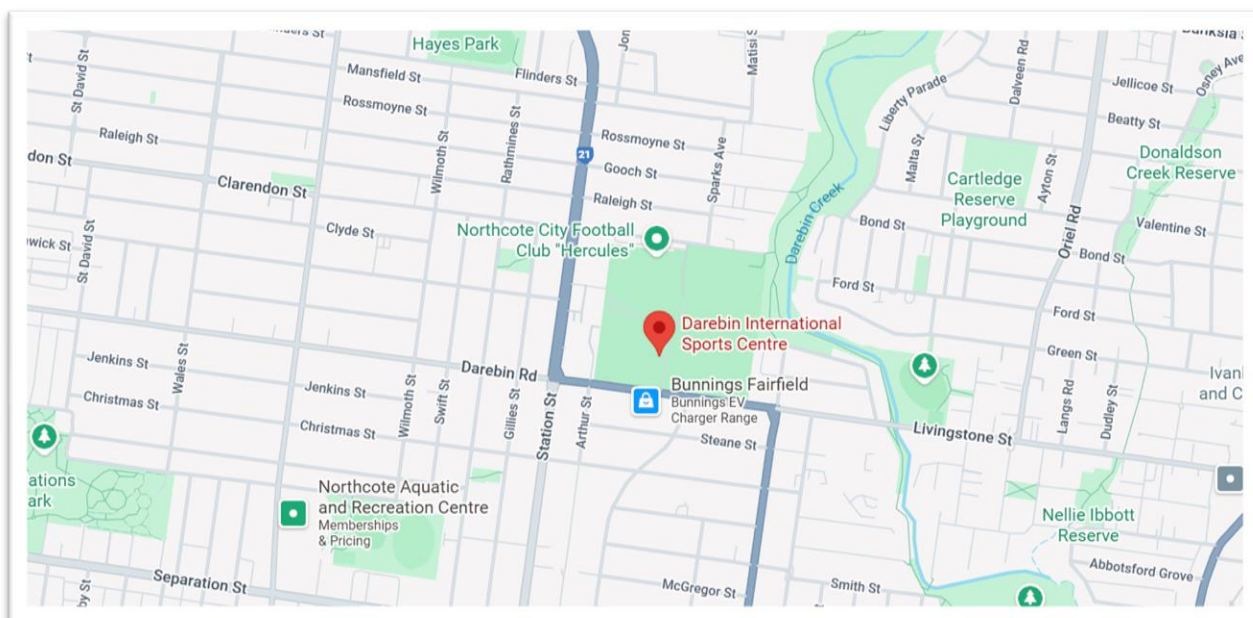
Venue: [Darebin International Sports Centre \(State Football Centre\)](#)
5271 Darebin Rd, Thornbury 3071

When: **Thursday 13th August 2026**
9:45am – 2:00pm

Convenor: Iain Ross
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Event briefing: **9:45am sharp**

**This fixture is subject to change if schools are running late or withdraw from competition etc.*




TEAM SIZE

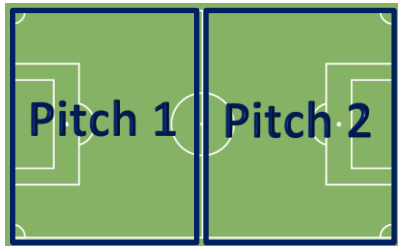
- A maximum of fourteen (14) players may be used in one day.
- Nine (9) players (including a goalkeeper) on the field and up to five (5) rolling substitutions to be named for each game.
- [A completed team sheet](#) (endorsed by the school's principal or their representative) must be submitted via email to the NMR Primary Coordinator via email (heath.yasunaga@education.vic.gov.au) no later than the day before the event, or a hard copy handed to the convenor before commencement of play. If not provided, the teacher/coach will need to complete a team sheet manually prior to their team being able to play.

COMPETITION STRUCTURE

- Points will be allocated for Round Robin matches as follows: 3 points for a win, 1 point for a draw and 0 for a loss.
- In the event that two teams are tied at the end of the round robin the winner of the face to face match will be declared the winner.
- If this was a draw or if more than two teams are tied then the following will be used to determine the winner:
 - a. Goal difference. When you subtract the goals conceded from the goals scored the team with the most positive goal difference is the winner. In the event that the goal difference is equal then the next parameter is used which is most goals scored.
 - b. Most goals scored. The team that has scored the most goals will be the winner of the Round Robin.
 - c. Least goals against. The team that has had the least goals scored against will be the winner of the Round Robin
 - d. The team that scored first when the tied teams played against each other
 - e. Team with the least amount of red card infringements.
 - f. Team with the least amount of yellow card infringements.
 - g. In the event that a winner still cannot be determined a coin toss will decide the winner of the Round Robin.
- If the final is tied at full-time 10 minutes of extra time will be played (5 minutes each way).
- If tied after extra time, a series of 5 penalty kicks shall be taken by each team.
 - a. Each penalty kick to be taken alternately by five different players. The Goalkeeper to defend for each team.
 - b. The teams will toss again to determine the choice of whether to shoot or defend first.
 - c. If still tied, a further series of penalty kicks, alternately taken by different players, shall be taken until a decision is reached on an even kick basis. Players who have participated in previous penalty kicks are not to be used unless all team members, excluding the Goalkeeper, have participated.

MATCH FORMAT & RULES

- **All matches shall consist of 2 x 15 minute halves with a half-time interval of 5 minutes.**
- The application of a 'yellow card' will be as per the FIFA rules.
- A 'red card' is an automatic disqualification for the match and day.
- The conditions of the Order Off Rule will then apply. See 'General Conditions of Competition and the Order Off Rule).
- The playing schedule can be adjusted on the day by the convenor based on field/facility availability.
- Football will be conducted under the [FIFA 9 v 9 Laws of the Game](#) unless otherwise stated.
- Please see [Football Victoria Under 12 9 v 9 Format Competition Guidelines](#) & the [SSV Primary Schools Resource Manual](#) for more useful sport specific information.
- The Referee enforces the laws of the game and his/her decision is final.
- Players are permitted to interchange during the game when the ball is out of play, or during the interval.
- In both situations the Referee must be notified of the intended change prior to it occurring.
- A child replaced is permitted to return to the field at a later stage.
- Goal size = 5m wide x 2m high.
- Penalty area = 10m deep x 20m wide.
- Example of field of play (1/2 pitch) = 
- Can have x2 games on full pitch being played at once.



GIRLS PLAYING IN BOYS/MIXED

- A girl cannot play in a girls' team and a boys/mixed team in the same sport within the same calendar year. The stream of competition competed in at District level should be carried through to Division, Region, and State.
- Team sheets are reviewed by the event convenor, and Region Coordinator. Teams to be found in breach of this rule may face consequences, including disqualification.

EQUIPMENT AND OFFICIALS

All schools/teams participating in the NMR Boys/Mixed & Girls Football (Soccer) Finals will need to provide:

- **All equipment necessary for their team to compete**, including goalie gloves, goalie top, playing uniforms (refer to below), line flags, shin guards for all players, mouthguards (strongly recommended) and a match condition size 4 soccer ball.
- **1x size 4 new match ball.**
- **Warm up balls** (if schools choose too).
- Each team is required to provide a competent linesperson. Each game requires x2 lines people across the combined schools playing, whose duties include out of bounds and off-side.
- **1x first aid kit** (and any asthma/EpiPen's as required)
- **Referees will be provided by P.E Sports Specialists-** we thank PESS for their support.

DRESS

- Players must wear matching strips with distinctive numbering corresponding to their team sheet, same colour shorts (without pockets) and same colour socks.
- The goalkeeper must wear a contrasting shirt.
- No jewellery is to be worn.
- The wearing of shin guards is compulsory.
- Mouthguards are strongly recommended.
- Players not correctly dressed will not be permitted to compete.

FIRST AID

- First Aid will be provided.
- Schools must bring **their own first aid kits for bus travel and to further support first aid on the day**. Schools must bring their own ice packs to the event.
- If required, schools must bring their own student's EpiPen's and asthma kits to the event. Schools are responsible for their own student's anaphylaxis and asthma equipment and cannot rely on event first aid resources for these instances.
- Any strapping or taping requirements will be the players responsibility to have complete prior to game time. There will be no provisions for strapping and/or taping from event management.

STATE FINALS INFORMATION

- The winner of the Grand Final in the Boys/Mixed competition and the top of the ladder in the Girls fixture after everyone has played everyone will be awarded the Champions pennant and qualify as the NMR representative at the [State Championships](#).

Best wishes to all schools competing at the NMR Primary Boys/Mixed & Girls Football (Soccer) Finals,
Heath Yasunaga | SSV Northern Metropolitan Region Primary Coordinator
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BOYS/MIXED FINALS

POOL A		
1. Inner North Merri-bek Division	2. Banyule Division	3. Woodlands Division
School:	School:	School:
Round	Match Time	Teams
1	10.00am	vs.
2	10:55am	Bye with Round 1 vs. Loser of Round 1
3	11:50am	Winner of Round 1 vs. Bye with Round 1
<i>20-minute break between rounds</i>		
POOL B		
4. Darebin Division	5. Whittlesea Division	6. Nillumbik Division
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FINALS		
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3rd Place Playoff	12:45pm	2 nd Place Pool A vs. 2 nd Place Pool B

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Awarded to

for participation in the NMR Football (Soccer) Finals

Wayne Schultz & Heath Yasunaga
NMR Coordinators

Iain Ross
NMR Football Convenor

GO WELL!

On behalf of the Northern Metropolitan Region team, SSV wishes you all the very best in your event today & trust you have a quality experience.

REFLECTION

Three things **I did** well:

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

One thing **I learnt** today:

One thing **I can** improve on:

Further reflection....

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