



# **PETERBOROUGH CITY SOCCER ASSOCIATION**

## **Tournament/Festival Report – June 2023**

The 32nd Annual Peterborough Tournament and 10th Annual Festival for Girls were held on the weekend of June 3/4 and the Boy's tournament/festival took place on the weekend of June 17/18. All in all, 133 teams participated over the two weekends. This was an increase of 32 teams from the previous year, which was largely due to a doubling of teams participating in the Boy's festival.

Weather conditions were ideal on all four event days and the organizing committee received many compliments from the visiting teams. Registration HQ was at Eastgate however teams were also allowed to register before their first game at Beavermead as a courtesy, which was appreciated by everyone. Some visiting teams struggled with the new digital player ID card and team roster system implemented in several Districts. Hopefully this will go smoother next year. Thanks to the many club volunteers who helped with registration, set up nets and flags, acted as conveners at the different fields, assisted with trophy presentations and generally acted as ambassadors for the club.

Peterborough City U13 Girls, U15 Girls and U15 Boys won their respective divisions. Our U14 Girls and U18 Boys were runners-up in their divisions.

The canteen at Eastgate provided much needed sustenance for players and fans. Unfortunately there were no volunteers to operate a BBQ or refreshment stand at Beavermead. This represents a missed opportunity for teams to raise funds and build team spirit, and it also detracts from the tournament experience for visiting teams not to have refreshments available at the field.

Although the quality of refereeing was very good, there are not enough referees in the Peterborough Branch to cover all the games. This could well be a limiting factor for the size of the tournaments going forward. The Peterborough Referee Branch did an outstanding job of covering all the games with the assistance of some out-of-town referees whose assistance was very much appreciated.

### **Number of Participating Teams - Girl's Weekend (2022 numbers in brackets)**

	<b>Home Teams</b>	<b>Visiting Teams</b>	<b>Total Teams</b>
<b>Girls Festival</b>	5 (6)	14 (12)	19 (18)
<b>Girls Tournament</b>	6 (6)	18 (17)	24 (23)
<b>Girls Total</b>	11 (12)	32 (29)	<b>43 (41)</b>

### **Number of Participating Teams - Boy's Weekend (2022 numbers in brackets)**

	<b>Home Teams</b>	<b>Visiting Teams</b>	<b>Total Teams</b>
<b>Boys Festival</b>	7 (7)	39 (16)	46 (23)
<b>Boys Tournament</b>	6 (7)	38 (30)	44 (37)
<b>Boys Total</b>	13 (14)	77 (46)	<b>90 (60)</b>

**Grand Total Participating Teams: 133 (101)**

Respectfully submitted by Tournament Co-chairs: Fevri Pazari and Barry Graham