

PETERBOROUGH CITY SOCCER ASSOCIATION

Tournament/Festival Report – June 2024

The 33rd Annual Peterborough Tournament and 11th Annual Festival for Girls were held on the weekend of June 1/2 and the Boy's tournament/festival took place on the weekend of June 15/16. All in all, a total of 345 games were played and 182 teams participated over the two weekends. This was an increase of 49 teams from the previous year, which was largely due to more than doubling the number of visiting teams in the Girl's Challenge.

Weather conditions were ideal on all four event days and the organizing committee received many compliments from our guests. Registration HQ was at Eastgate and this went very smoothly with the new Ontario Soccer digital team roster and player ID system in effect. All festival games were played at Eastgate, which proved to be a very popular arrangement. Tournament games were played at Eastgate, Beavermead, Fleming and Milroy. 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 U14 Girls, U15 Girls, U15 Boys and U16 Boys won their divisions. Our two U14 Boys teams were runners-up in their respective divisions.

The canteen and food trucks at Eastgate provided much needed sustenance for players and fans. Unfortunately there was no food on offer at Beavermead, Fleming or Milroy. This represents a missed opportunity for teams to raise funds and build team spirit by operating a BBQ, 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. The Referee Branch Secretary 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 (2023 numbers in brackets)

	Home Teams	Visiting Teams	Total Teams
Girls Festival	3 (5)	16 (14)	19 (19)
Girls Tournament	8 (6)	43 (18)	51 (24)
Girls Total	11 (11)	59 (32)	70 (43)

Number of Participating Teams - Boy's Weekend (2023 numbers in brackets)

	Home Teams	Visiting Teams	Total Teams
Boys Festival	8 (7)	53 (39)	61 (46)
Boys Tournament	8 (6)	43 (38)	51 (44)
Boys Total	16 (13)	96 (77)	112 (90)

Grand Total Participating Teams: 182 (133)