

## PETERBOROUGH CITY SOCCER ASSOCIATION

## **Tournament/Festival Report - 2019 Season**

The 30th Annual Peterborough Tournament and 8th Annual Festival for Girl's was 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, 132 teams participated over the two weekends. This was a drop of 19 teams from the previous year, which was due almost entirely due to a drop-off in the Girl's event.

A prolonged wet spring resulted in the closure of 5 of the 6 fields at Beavermead Park requiring the use of backup fields at Milroy, Kenner, King Edward, Crestwood and Spiplex. Field changes and directions were communicated to all teams and the games ran on schedule. Team registration was provided at all fields, which reduced the inconvenience for visiting teams. Thanks to the many club volunteers who helped with registration, set up nets and flags, acted as conveners at the different fields and assisted with trophy presentations.

Peterborough City teams won one division and were runners-up in a second division in both the Boy's and the Girl's tournaments.

There was a shortage of teams willing to run the BBQ at Eastgate. 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. To avoid disappointment, a community youth charity was permitted to operate the BBQ at Eastgate on tournament days.

Although the quality of refereeing was very good and many compliments were received, there are barely 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. This will be particularly challenging in 2020 due to an OFSAA tournament scheduled in the district on the weekend of the Girl's tournament.

## Number of Participating Teams - Girl's Weekend (2018 numbers in brackets)

	Home Teams	Visiting Teams	Total Teams
Girls Festival	8 (7)	12 (21)	20 (28)
Girls Tournament	7 (5)	28 (40)	35 (45)
Girls Total	15 (12)	40 (61)	55 (73)

## Number of Participating Teams - Boy's Weekend (2018 numbers in brackets)

	Home Teams	Visiting Teams	Total Teams
Boys Festival	8 (7)	34 (34)	42 (41)
<b>Boys Tournament</b>	8 (7)	27 (30)	35 (37)
Boys Total	16 (14)	61 (64)	<b>77</b> (78)

**Grand Total Participating Teams: 132** (151)

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