

Milestone Game Count at SMOSH West Lakes Junior Football Club



Principles and Procedures

Principles

SMOSH West Lakes Junior Football Club has a tradition of acknowledging milestone games. Here are the principles we follow to acknowledge and celebrate our players' milestone games:

- We do our best with the resources we have to acknowledge each player's 50th, 100th and 150th game.
- Milestone games is a count – not a competition.
- The number of games counted is based on the data available in PlayHQ.
- Data is manually entered by Team Managers following each game, and we accept that there is always going to be a margin of human error.
- Only junior community games are accepted in the count. We do not include invitational games or games played up with the Senior Men or Senior Women.
- We do include community football games played at other football clubs prior to transferring to SMOSH West Lakes Juniors.

Procedures

This is the procedure we follow to acknowledge and celebrate our players' milestone games:

- Data collection is weekly, using volunteer hours contributed by our Registrar.
- Games are emailed to Team Managers for confirmation.
- Milestone games are acknowledged in the newsletter and with a banner at the next home game.
- Team Managers contact the applicable Football Director to confirm when the banner is available.
- There is also acknowledgement of any milestone games played at Presentation Day at the end of the season. The corresponding medals and merchandise items are determined annually by the Committee based on what the current operating budget will allow.

Historical Change in Data Collection

At SMOSH West Lakes Juniors, the inclusion of U7s games in the milestone count only applies to those born in 2014 and after. Previously, it was not mandated by SANFL Juniors to track those statistics. This was due to U7s previously not having a full season and instead was used as a conduit between Auskick and U8 footy to introduce families to Club football.

Without this data being captured in PlayHQ, those players will reach their milestones approximately 7- 10 weeks later than those players from other football clubs who have had those statistics tracked. At SMOSH West Lakes Juniors we do not have access to the number of U7s games played for anyone born before 2014 and are comfortable with the resulting 7-10 week gap.

Questions

Please direct any questions regarding the acknowledgement of milestone games to registrar@smoshwljuniors.com.au