

Chairman's Report, 2017

Welcome all to the 2017 WDJCU AGM. Again thanks to all Junior Convenors and representatives for their efforts over the past year. In terms of summing up the season respective league and cup winners are as follows:

Under 18 League – Clydesdale

Runner up - Poloc

Under 16 League - Prestwick

Runner up - East Renfrewshire/Renfrew

Under 15 League - Clydesdale

Runner up – Ferguslie/Kelburne

Under 14 League - Renfrew

Runner up - Clydesdale

Under 13 League - Clydesdale

Runner up - Poloc

Under 11 League - Ferguslie

Runner up - Uddingston

The final round of games occurred on the weekend of 16th and 17th September with the Under 11 and 13 play-offs taking place. Thanks to Ferguslie for hosting and credit to all eight teams for fielding teams so late in/after the season.

The held-over 2016 Under 13 League Cup final was finally played in late August and Clydesdale beat Ayr in that game.

The Under 16 Frank Smith and Under 13 League Cup weren't completed with the Frank Smith reaching the semi-final stage and the League Cup having a tie outstanding from the quarter final stage. The 2016 Frank Smith final was also not completed.

In terms of National competitions I'm delighted to report that Clydesdale Under 15s won the Scottish Cup and their Under 18s are still in the 2017 Scottish Cup which will be completed in 2018.

A brief look at the tables would show that a large number of games were cancelled due to weather with July and August decimated as rain seemed to fall heavily almost every Friday and Monday (the main junior nights). The Under 14 League seemed to be successful certainly in respect of lots of matches being played. However, there are a growing number of teams withdrawing from leagues.

The Indoor Super 8s held in late 2016 were won by the following:

Under 19s - Clydesdale

Under 15s - Clydesdale

Under 12s - Clydesdale

Thanks to Tim Hart for organising this event yet again. Beyond the club scene there were Under 12 Inter-Area, Under 14 Challenge Series and Under 15 and 18 *Western Warriors* games and Tim Hart's report will highlight these.

In terms of juniors, again there were a number of players from the west region representing Scotland at various age-group and senior levels. These were as follows:

Taimoor Ahmad (Poloc)	Abigail Calder (Greenock)	Gregor Chambers (Helensburgh)
Angus Guy (Clydesdale)	Ross Heginbottom (Clydesdale)	Asad Khan (Clydesdale)
Rafay Khan (Renfrew)	Ihtisham Malik (Poloc)	Abtaha Maqsood (Poloc)
Euan McBeth (Prestwick)	Orla Montgomery (Dumfries)	John Oliver (Glasgow Accies)
Aliyan Qureshi (Clydesdale)	Amaan Ramzan (Poloc)	Sohaib Shah (Poloc CC)
Owais Shah (Poloc CC)	Uzzair Shah (Poloc CC)	Haroon Tahir (Ferguslie)
Ihtesham Ul Haq (Clydesdale)	Louise Ware (Greenock)	Ellen Watson (Prestwick)

It is my intention to stand down as Chair this year and I'd like to thank everyone for their support and wish everyone and their clubs all the best in the future.

In closing a word of thanks to all WJDCU Committee members and in particular Keith Young for the excellent website and admin' surrounding it.

Thank you.

Dougie Johnstone
WDJCU Chairman