

Genesis of futsal success

A team of eight local futsal players are Australia's best.

Genesis Christian College's girls under-13 team is the national champion after going through its latest tournament undefeated.

The team of Jade Dethlefs, Lilly Maieron, Jaeve Proberts, Georgia Beaumont, Tamika Smith, Jaimee Day, Amy Vorster and Ella Smith won all six of its games at the Australasian Championship of Champions tournament, held at

Oxley Futsal Centre from 25-27 November.

The team won the tournament, hosted by the Australian Futsal Association, with a commanding 10-1 win over Gold Coast's St Andrews Lutheran College in the final.

Genesis College, whose smallest winning margin was a 5-0 triumph over Mansfield State High School, scored 56 goals and conceded just three times over six games.

On top of that, Genesis players filled four

of the five spots in the tournament's All-Star team, with Beaumont, Vorster, Dethlefs and Maieron gaining selection.

The Genesis team, whose players hail from Joyner, Cashmere, Warner, Strathpine and Clear Mountain, progressed to the

Australasian titles after winning the Southern Queensland and South-East Queensland championships.

Coach David Kregenbrink said football combinations forged outside the school grounds helped the team.

He said the girls play outdoor football together

at the Moreton Bay Jets club, and also in five-a-side competition at Albany Creek.

"There's a great chemistry between the players which was evident in the way that they played at the tournament," he said.

"I knew they were extremely capable (players) and I was confident that they could do well at that level."

Albany Creek High School's boys under-13 team placed second in its competition.



The champion Genesis Christian College futsal team, with coach David Kregenbrink.