



Trentham Cup Lightning Premiership Format





1. Introduction

Welcome to this very special event. This will be the first time we will be competing under our newly erected lights at night, something we have been looking forward to for some time.

The 2014 Trentham Cup will be held at the Trentham Sports ground on Saturday March 15th 2014. The Trentham Cup will be a 1 day "Lightning Premiership" where teams will have the opportunity to compete against multiple sides and have the chance to pick up some significant prize money, as well as winning the Trentham Cup. Each match will consist of two halves as described in the rules below. Clubs will compete in the following grades:

- Senior football
- Senior netball
- U18 football
- 17+U netball.

We see this as an exciting opportunity for all clubs competing as it will provide each team with some valuable match practice leading into the 2014 season and also the chance to take home some prize money for your club. In previous years, we have been restricted by the hours in the day however as this is no longer the case, we are able to include more teams into the competition and therefore increase the prize money and the number of games per team. We will offer prize money to the winner of each grade as well as the successful club who wins the 2014 Trentham Cup.

2. Lightning Premiership Competition Rules Football/Netball

1. Each team will play a minimum of 2 games in all grades with the points and percentages being added together from all grades for each team. If the top 2 teams cannot be decided on points, percentage will then be used to split teams.
2. Each club / participating team is to name a Football squad of 30 senior player's / 24 U18's player's. Netball 15 senior player's / 12 17+U player's for the day which will appear in a souvenir Footy Record. Note: Football/Netball list must be submitted to either Troy Adams or Leanne Byrne by email on perulodge12@hotmail.com or kbelec@bigpond.com by 12 noon on Friday March 7th.
3. Clubs can use up to 24 players in a game – obviously 18 on the ground plus six players on the Interchange. Netball can use up to 15 player's seniors, 12 player's 17+U – again 7 player's on the court per side the balance on the bench.
4. Senior Football Games will be played over 2 x 20 min halves (no time on), and the U18's will be played over 2 x 15 min halves. ½ time breaks will strictly be kept to 7 min. Senior Netball will be played over 2 x 15 min halves, and the 17+U will be 2 x 15 min halves ½ time breaks strictly 5 min.





5. Umpires will umpire under normal match rules & can use report (issue red & yellow cards). If a player is reported they will be eligible to participate in their next match. For offences where the set penalty does not apply (or is declined) the player will be required to attend the Tribunal on Tuesday night at Saxon House
6. If there is a draw sides **will not** change ends or have a break. The ball will be bounced in the centre of the ground and **first score wins.**
7. Normal procedures need to be followed in regards to Team Sheets – copies must be submitted to the Umpires & Opposing sides. Immediately following the game, please add Best Players & Goal kickers/Shooters to your Team Sheet, and submit to the Ground Manager, as this will allow the League to submit results to the Media.
8. All teams are to wear their normal coloured shorts.

3. General

1. The admission fee will be \$5.00 for adults and \$2.00 for concession and children under 14 will be admitted free.
2. Football BFUA will supply field umpires – competing clubs to supply Boundary & Goal umpires in all games. Netball Clubs to supply two umpires for netball with the non competing side to umpire each game.
3. Due to sides using the same change rooms, it is recommended that player's bags & valuables are removed from the Change Rooms by Club Officials after the players have changed and ran onto the field. This will eliminate the chances of valuable items going missing.

4. Summary

We as a Club believe that this will be an exciting day for all involved as it offers an ideal opportunity for all clubs to gain some valuable match practice and team bonding only a few weeks out from the season proper beginning.

This day has so many positives about it so I urge all clubs to promote the day and try and get as many supporters along as possible. This is a great way to kick start your season on the right note.

If you feel you need additional information please feel free to contact me during business hours on 9305 3455 or after hours on 54 241 806 or on 0425 389 315.

Yours sincerely,
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