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Welcome back to 2020 Season! Round 1 games for Junior teams start on Sunday 5th July and All Age Ladies Wednesday 1st July. Games are being played throughout the July school holidays.

Just a reminder that all players will need to be financial to be eligible to play in Round 1 Sunday 5th July. This means that Registration fees need to be paid in full prior to playing in matches. This is for insurance purposes. Most players, have already paid their fees in full – thank you – this helps the club!

Payments can be made when registering on into the Club bank account. If paying into the Club account, please forward an email indicating your details including player name and amount paid. Don't forget, for eligible players aged between 4 and 18, they are entitled to the Active Kids \$100 Voucher. So apply for this first then register your child. Links are available on our Facebook page.

BBFC Sponsorship Acknowledgment

We are excited to announce Caltex Batehaven as a Gold Sponsor for 2020 & 2021. We thank Michelle & Michael Keys for their ongoing support of Batemans Bay Football Club!

Gold Sponsor & Team Sponsor



Rotary Batemans Bay is also a Team Sponsor for 2020. More details about the team to follow shortly.

Canteen News

Please note the Canteen will be operating in a limited capacity this year and may not always be open.

Covid-19 Hygiene

Football NSW have made the requirements clear for the return to training and as of 1 July, return to games. As part of this – social distancing, hygiene and environmental cleaning are necessary in order for our sport to continue and so that everyone remains healthy and safe. Please follow the instructions of coaches and committee – using hand sanitiser, cleaning equipment after training and matches – everything helps.

ORGANISING TRAINING SESSIONS

Full squad training is now allowed. Whereas previously, it was suggested to divide the pitch in to four quarters with no more than 10 people per quarter, this has now been relaxed and the amount of space that a team trains within is up to the club and ground allocations.

For all intents and purposes, the organisation of training sessions – as they were prior to COVID-19 – can be resumed. That said, Football NSW continues to encourage practices of good hygiene.



Maintain
attendance
records



Ensure toilets are
open and have soap
and sanitiser.



Provide regular breaks
for hydration and
hand sanitising



NO SPITTING
permitted



20 participants at one
time including coach*
*Coaches may only coach one
squad of 19 at once. They must not
work across multiple areas.

LEVEL C PLAYING - WHAT IS PERMITTED?

LEVEL C - PLAYING
Full competitive matches permitted within the normal Laws of the Game
Training/friendly matches now allowed
Full football activities conducted at all levels (MiniRoos, 7v7, 9v9 or 11v11)
Team benches organised to ensure 1.5 metres between coaching staff & substitutes
Match fixturing and pitch allocations to be arranged to maximise spaces between pitches
Social distancing of 1.5 metre between spectators (e.g. parents)
Competitions, Leagues and Tournaments permitted
Changerooms and/or wet areas limited to players and team staff and thorough cleaning between use recommended

LEVEL C PLAYING - WHAT SHOULD BE AVOIDED?

- Team handshakes prior to kick-off
- Team huddles, handshakes and high fives
- Multiplayer goal celebrations
- Spitting

ORGANISATION OF TEAM BENCHES

Where team benches are permanent (fixed), limit number of seats to ensure 1.5 metres between member of the coaching staff and substitutes. Where possible, mark seats with masking tape. If necessary, provide additional seats to extend the length of the bench.



Where team benches are made up of plastic/other moveable chairs, position these so that those seated are at least 1.5 metres apart. Ensure these chairs remain at the required distance apart during and between matches.



Promote the importance of social distancing of 1.5 metres between spectators and the 4m² per person guideline through PA announcements, marked seating, social media, direct communication and signage.

CONDITIONS AND GUIDELINES FOR RETURN TO TRAINING, PLAYING OR OTHER FOOTBALL ACTIVITIES

These are the steps Football NSW recommend that clubs take to ensure they keep participants and their families safe.

WHEN CONDUCTING TRAINING, GAMES OR OTHER FOOTBALL ACTIVITIES THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS ARE TO BE IMPLEMENTED BY THE COACH/CLUB OFFICIAL:

- Where practical, some degree of social distancing should be considered where feasible.
- Any handling of equipment is to be kept to a minimum.
- Use of changerooms, gym, wet or inside areas should be limited to players and team staff and thorough cleaning is recommended between use.
- If bibs are used, each individual player is to be allocated a bib and each player is required to take the bib home and wash.
- Regular breaks are to be provided for the purpose of rehydrating and hand sanitising.
- Toilets are to be open for use. Clear signage indicating the restrictions of the number of people (dependent on the space of the amenities) entering the toilet at one time should be displayed.
- Soap and sanitiser to be available in the toilets at all times.
- Social activity once training sessions or games have concluded should be limited to essential gatherings and within government guidelines.

WHEN PARTICIPATING IN TRAINING SESSIONS, THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS ARE TO BE IMPLEMENTED BY THE PLAYER/PARENT:

- Players should not arrive more than 15 minutes prior to training commencing, and if arriving by car, remain in the car until 5 minutes before training to avoid gatherings.
- Ideally, players are to come already prepared to train.
- Players should bring their own clearly labelled drink bottle. No sharing of drink bottles is permitted.
- Players should leave the venue as swiftly as possible once their training session has concluded.

ATTENDANCE

Parents/spectators may attend games upon full resumption of competitive football activities provided precautions are taken to minimise transmission risk such as spreading spectators throughout viewing areas and designating the use of specific seats/areas that meet physical distancing requirements.

All players, coaches, team officials, match officials and volunteers are required to register and provide contact details through Football Federation Australia's National online registration system - PlayFootball. All fixtures are administered through an online Competition Management System (CMS). If required the Competition Administrator can identify which clubs, specific teams, players, team officials and match officials participated in any given fixture. The CMS is also complemented by team sheets.

For the purposes of contact tracing, accompanying parents/spectators will be able to be contacted through the relevant players' mandatory online registration. All participants are encouraged to download the COVIDSafe App.

See you at the club!

Rhonda Forner
Registrar
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