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EXTRA TIME

THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF CAPITAL FOOTBALL REFEREES

Welcome to June Extra Time

Welcome everyone to the June Issue of Extra Time and a big welcome to those who are reading Extra Time for the first time.

The last month has been very busy both on and off the field for referees in the Capital, we have local referees appointed to honors matches, Zoe Power off to the Girls Nationals and the two Bens regularly jetting off to the far corners of Asia.

Off the field there have also been some changes to the Referee Standing Committee with the departure of Chair Roger Prowse and committee member Chris Conti. On Tuesday night the RSC elected Bill Simeonovic as the interim Chair of the RSC until elections for the new RSC are held in July.

Wednesday night saw the kick off to the "Festival of Football" in Canberra over the next two weeks with Belconnen United playing the Central Coast Mariners. The festival continues on Friday the 27th of June when the Mariners Play the ACT Rockets at Deakin Stadium.

Sunday July 6th will see the opening to the biggest youth football tournament in the South Hemisphere when the 2008 McDonald's Kanga Cup gets underway at the AIS arena. This years tournament is the largest to date with 230 teams and more than 130 referees registered for the tournament. With over 600 matches at seven grounds across Canberra over 5 days there are lots of opportunities to be involved or watch some high quality youth football.

The Festival of Football comes to an end on Saturday July 12th when A-League Grand Finalists Newcastle Jets and Central Coast Mariners meet at Canberra Stadium.

Please remember over the next two weeks the Capital Football staff will be very busy and may not respond to enquiries as quickly as usual. During the week of the Kanga Cup referee uniforms will not be able to be purchased.

Good luck to everyone refereeing at the Kanga Cup and I hope to see everyone at the Inside Refereeing Seminar and the A-League trial matches.

Cheers

Daniel Murphy

Referee Administrator

Referee Standing Committee Nominations

Nominations for the Capital Football Referee Standing Committee (RSC) are now open. The RSC is elected for a two year term and is the advisory committee to the Capital Football Board on refereeing matters. All referees registered are eligible to nominate for the RSC.

If you would like to nominate for election to the RSC please contact the Referee Administrator for a nomination form at refadmin@capitalfootball.com.au or 6260 4000. Nominations close Monday 7th July.

Canwarra Exchange

The annual referee exchange with the Illawarra referee branch will be held on the weekend of July 26th and 27th. Places are available for a Level 1, Level 2 and Level 3 referee to travel to Wollongong for the weekend and referee matches. If you are interested in being part of the exchange please contact the referee administrator to express your interest.



Farwell Roger Prowse and Chris Conti

Capital Football Referees recently said goodbye to two of its most active referees Roger Prowse and Chris Conti.

Chris Conti began refereeing in 1985 and in the time since has been heavily involved both on and off the field. For his long service to refereeing Chris was awarded a life membership by Soccer Referees Canberra and last year was inducted into the Capital Football Hall of Fame for his contribution to refereeing and school sports.

Roger Prowse joined Capital Football Referees in 2005 after more than 20 years of refereeing around regional New South Wales. In 2006 Roger was elected at the first ever Chair of the Capital Football Referee Standing Committee, a role he filled until this week.

Both Chris and Roger will be leaving Canberra and on behalf of all Capital Football referees and the Referee Standing Committee we wish them the best of luck and thank them for their significant contributions to refereeing and football in Canberra.



Congratulations to.....

Congratulations to the following referees on their recent honour appointments:

Ben Williams on being appointed to the Oceania Champions League 2nd Leg final in Auckland, the World Cup Qualifier between Singapore and Saudi Arabia in Singapore and the World Cup Qualifier between Jordan and Turkmenistan in Jordan. Ben will also referee the match between the Joeys and Chile in Darwin with former Canberra referee Ned Sparkes.

Ben Wilson on his appointments to the World Cup Qualifier between the Korean Republic and Jordan and the World Cup qualifier between the UAE and Syria.

Gary Vandeburgt, Allyson Flynn and Brett Woodford on their appointment to the Central Coast Mariners v Belconnen United match on the 25th of June.

Richard Naumovski, Allyson Flynn, Anthony Gagliardi and Chris Young on their appointment to the Central Coast Mariners v ACT Rockets match on the 27th of June

Greg Taylor, Zoe Power and Laura Davis on their appointment to the Young Rockets v ACTAS match on the 27th

Newcastle Jets v Central Coast Mariners

A limited number of seats in the referee open box are available for registered referees at the Newcastle Jets v Central Coast Mariners match on Saturday July the 12th. If you are interested in a seat in the open box please contact the referee administrator by Friday July the 4th.

General Admission tickets for the match are also available from Ticketek \$12 adult, \$5 student, Under 12 free. All Kanga Cup referees receive free admission by showing their Kanga Cup ID card.

By Chris Gottaas

The McDonalds Kanga Cup is well known for its development of junior footballers as well as its social and cultural activities. In 2008, visiting and local referees will be treated to a once in a life time opportunity during the week long tournament.

On top of the usual coaching tutorials and social activities, the 2007 FIFA Women's World Cup final referee, Tammy Ogston, will be dropping by for a seminar looking at the world of refereeing and the essentials to good refereeing.

"Tammy's an established and a very high quality referee and we think that women would see some of the things she's done and talk to her about her career. Hopefully we can encourage them to persevere and go for elite football

themselves," ACT Referee State Coach, Clive Mackillop said.

This opportunity only further adds to the experience of refereeing at a McDonalds Kanga Cup which once upon a time saw local FIFA Referee Ben Wilson cut his teeth.

"The tournament is as much about the referees as it is the players," McDonalds Kanga Cup referee coordinator Daniel Murphy said.

"This year we're trying to give visiting referees a taste of elitism. We've got recovery sessions organised, fittingly at the breeding ground of Australia's next generation of athletes - the A.I.S., as well a private A.I.S. tour. These initiatives are on top of the annual Moove to the Groove Disco, Hoyts Movie Night and the much anticipated end of week Visiting versus Local referee football match."

Since Australia's move into Asia, there are many prospects for referees according to McKillop with the McDonalds Kanga Cup an ideal opportunity to develop as an official on the path towards professional officiating.

"There are a lot of opportunities for women referees now as they are for men especially now we're in Asia. There are a lot of games. I think if we can churn out enough officials we would probably be able to have a greater representation," Mackillop said.

"I think it's one of those pillars about the Kanga Cup that we do have such good local support and we also traditionally have a lot of interest interstate to come and referee and we try to look after them and it's been a good history in looking after referees from interstate.

INSIDE REFEREEING - ESSENTIALS TO GOOD REFEREEING

Capital Football is pleased to announce that it will be hosting a seminar "Inside Refereeing- Essentials to Good Refereeing" free of cost for all female referees in the ACT and surrounding region.

With a number of special guests including 2007 Women's FIFA World Cup Final Referee Tammy Ogston (pictured), A-League Assistant Referee Gavin Martin and FIFA Assistant Referee Allyson Flynn, the seminar will provide a chance to have an intimate discussion on issues around refereeing football, women in sport and what it takes to become an elite referee.



This is a once in a lifetime opportunity to help develop your refereeing skills and confidence on and off the field. The seminar is open to all registered referees and all female referees from juniors to senior and for all levels and experience are encouraged to attend.

RSVPs are not required for the seminar and all referees are welcome to attend.

Seminar	Date	Location	Time	Cost
Essentials to Good Refereeing	Saturday 5 July	AIS Theatre	6pm-8:30pm	Free