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Changes at Capital Football

The Capital Football Office has been a hive of activity over the last two weeks with office renovations and the move by Capital Football Futsal from their offices in Tuggeranong to Football House in Deakin.

These changes mean that the Referee Administrator can now be called directly on 6175 7109. All general enquiries to Capital Football should still be called through 6260 4000.

Referee Standing Committee 2008/09

The newly elected Referee Standing Committee will once again have specific portfolios they will be responsible for.

For the upcoming season the nine members of the RSC will have the following portfolios:

- Chair: Bill Simeonovic
- Deputy Chair/Disciplinary matters: Walter Kmet
- Finance: David Oner
- Inspections/Upgrading Coordinator: John Jenkins
- Futsal: Ross Yarnold
- Northside Junior Coordinator/By-Laws: Stephen Lewis
- Southside Junior Coordinator/By-Laws: David Ockerby
- Recruitment and Retention: Eugene Suchcicki
- Club Assessments: Michael Logue

Referee Annual Dinner

It has been proposed by the RSC that an Annual Dinner/Presentation Night be held on Saturday the 25th of October at Deakin Stadium.

The exact format of the night has not been decided and the RSC would like to hear from referees who would be interested in attending to see how many people are interested and what format they would like the evening to take.

If you are interested in attending the dinner please contact the referee administrator to express your interest, as well as what format you would like the evening to take. The suggestions at the moment are that there be a formal sit down dinner or a cocktail party with drinks and finger food.

We anticipate that there will be a subsidised cost for all attending the dinner (especially if a formal dinner is selected), and that any partners will also have to be paid for.

Canwarra Cup

The annual Canwarra Cup football match between the Illawarra Referees and Capital Football Referees will be held on the 18th of October at the AIS. All currently registered referees are eligible and encouraged to play in the match.

If you are interested in playing in the match please email the Referee Administrator by the 26th of September who will pass your details onto the team coaches Bill Simeonovic and Walter Kmet.



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Coaches Corner

With State Coach Clive Mackillop

For this months article I thought I would do something a bit different. Almost weekly we receive emails from members of the football community about a variety of issues including questions about the Laws of the Game and about decisions made in their matches.

Here are some examples of the types of questions we receive and the answers provided:

Q: Why do the referees ask me to tuck in my shirt, I cant find it mentioned in the Laws of the Game?

A: The 'shirts tucked in' issue is less to do with the LOTG than with FIFA's guidelines for match officials which says:

Shinguards/Appearance: compliance from every player with instructions for **compulsory shinguards** and **tidy appearance** throughout the match (shirts tucked in and sock pulled up).

Referees who enforce these guidelines are supporting the push to make the game more attractive by ensuring compliance with colour and equipment consistency. I, myself, patrol this more subtly by asking for universal compliance at kick off and half time and quietly reminding people throughout the match.

Q: Why do my bike pants need to be the same colour as my shorts?

A: As per Law 4– The Player's Equipment, if undershorts are worn, they are the same main colour of as the shorts. If undershirts are worn, the colour of the sleeve should be the same main colour as the sleeve of the jersey or shirt.

Q: I have been shown a yellow card for dissent but I didn't swear, how can this happen?

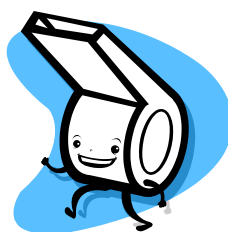
A: Dissent can be by word or action and does not have to include swearing. I have asked my referees to punish obvious attempts to discredit the referee by dissent.

Q: Am I allowed to speak to the referee during the game?

A: The talking to the referee issue is a thorny one because we are essentially looking at referees with different personalities trying to manage players and player dissent. Some refs have a 'hair trigger' approach to dissent that any word to them they interpret as dissent. Others are far more relaxed and control issues in the game in different ways. I will not dictate that refs change their personality – players must adapt to the type of ref they get, as they adjust to the types of players they encounter.

I hope that gives you a small insight into the type of issues raised by players, coaches and team officials.

If you would like to discuss any issue with me please do not hesitate to contact me on 0403 179 134 or clive.mackillop@deewr.gov.au.



Upcoming Events

Date	Event	Time	Location
6/7 September	Finals Commence		Various
13 September	Men's League Grand Finals		O'Connor/Deakin
14 September	Women's League Grand Finals		O'Connor
14 September	Club Pink WPL Grand Final	1330	McKellar
14 September	Men's Premier League Grand Final	1600	McKellar
10 October	Capital Football Presentation Night	1830	Helenic Club
18 October	Canwarra Cup Referee Match	1500	AIS TBC
25 October	Referee Annual Dinner		Deakin Stadium
25/26 October	Westfield W-League Kick Off		

As the Outdoor season comes to a conclusion it is timely to remind referees of the upcoming Futsal season and the opportunities available for those who wish to participate.

The Summer competitions, both Senior and Junior will be commencing in September and October for the juniors, games are played on almost every night of the week which will be putting a big demand on Officials.

We are always looking for more referees as the competitions are getting bigger and cater for all levels from minis to Premier Men and Women.

The Junior Clubs North Canberra Futsal and South Canberra Futsal run their competitions on both sides of Canberra with games played at various locations.

If you have an interest in becoming a Futsal referee and wish to complete the course or just want more information to consider please contact Ross Yarnold on 62549301 or email yarnold2@bigpond.net.au.

Ross Yarnold
Futsal representative
Referees Standing Committee

Finals Match Procedures

A reminder to those involved in finals matches over the next month of the procedures for determining a winner of the match.

If at the conclusion of regular time both Men's and Women's League matches are drawn two 10 minutes halves of extra time are to be played. If at the end of extra time the scores are still drawn kicks from the penalty mark should be taken to determine the winner.

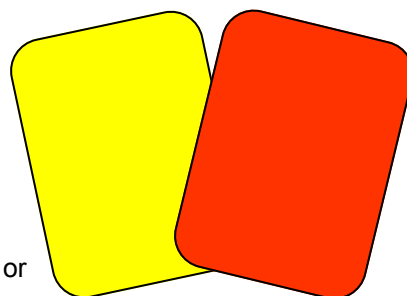
All referees and assistants involved in finals matches should read page 38 of their law book to ensure they know the correct procedures for both extra time and kick from the penalty mark.

Referee Uniforms

Capital Football Referee uniforms and equipment are available from the Capital Football offices at Unit 2/3 "Football House", Phipps Close in Deakin.

Please note that uniform and equipment purchases are only available by appointment. To make an appointment please contact the Referee Administrator on 6260 4000 or refadmin@capitalfootball.com.au.

Uniform price lists are available from the Capital Football Referees website or



Szego Referees Referee of the Year Award

Voting for the Nick Szego Referees Referee of the Year Award is now open. The Szego award is for senior referees of any level who best exemplifies the values of being a referee both on and off the field. Your votes should be for the person who has illustrated by example good refereeing on the field, an awareness of helping other referees and an exemplary attitude to training, social occasions etc. It does not necessarily have to be the person you believe to be the best *technical* referee.

If you would like to vote for the Szego award please email the Referee Administrator (refadmin@capitalfootball.com.au) with your two nominations for the award.