

## **Football South Coast**

# Monthly Board Summary Update

## Board Meeting Date: 8 July 2019

### A. Infra-Structure Update including Artificial Pitch Project

- 1. Ian McLennan Park Update
  - i. Member clubs have booked the synthetic ground for 31 hours in June and 8 hours for schools.
  - ii. Outstanding items:
    - FIFA testing has occurred and still pending sign off
    - Alarm installation
    - Installation of the Disability Toilet and change room and associated pathways
  - iii. Completed items:
    - Installation of CCTV
    - Rectification of Field Number 2 after a number of issues caused to the ground as a result of inappropriate remedial action as a result of the project.
    - Plumbing issues in relation to toilets and change rooms were identified and rectified
- 2. The Infrastructure Club Committee has drafted an email and survey to be sent to clubs to commence documenting priorities for all facilities across the region. This will assist with future funding applications and priorities to ensure a cohesive and unified approach to grants and funding opportunities across football. An Infrastructure Strategy Workshop to be scheduled over the coming months with clubs to outline the strategy going forward.
- 3. Wollongong City Councils Sports Reference Group Funding to be launched in mid July. Further information to be distributed to clubs. In addition, the funding pool was increased from \$250k to \$500k.
- B. Other Strategic Matters Update
  - 1. FSC Flare Football In-club programs are being promoted for next term across Unanderra, Figtree, Fernhill, Gerringong, Balgownie, Port Kembla, Warilla, Kiama and Albion Park.
  - Enzo Sassone was appointed in the Sydney FC Fan Engagement Officer role and will be based in FSC offices on Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. On Tuesdays he will be in Sydney FC offices meeting with other association development officers. Enzo will commence meetings with junior clubs and will attend various events to promote the joint FSC / Sydney FC Skills Training and School Holiday Clinic programs.
  - 3. A competitions framework review has commenced involving a workshop of conceptual ideas. A paper will be presented to the Board to progress the review with the objective of reviewing football structures across all FSC football streams to look at ways to streamline and efficiently utilize resources across infrastructure, referees and volunteers.
  - 4. FFA have indicated that the new Competitions Management system will not be pursued for 2020 to ensure PlayFootball issues are addressed. This includes any potential Referee Appointment systems.

## C. <u>Referee Coordination Council Update</u>

- 1. There is still a vacancy for the Women's Council Representative. The team as a group are currently fulfilling this role.
- 2. Critical issues continue to be:
  - i. Significant shortage of referees Focus on getting the assessment process under control to promote referees where appropriate
  - ii. Match Ref performance and functionality

#### D. Men's Football Council Update

- 1. MFC Club Meeting held 21/5/19 with strong focus on upcoming Player Transfer Window (Registration & Deregistration) this will be a focus as invoicing balance of registration will be sent out after the closure of the window on 30/6/19.
- 2. Discussions took place regarding the current position of the Grand Finals for IPL and DL. It was explained that this was progressing, and a risk assessment of potential venues is being looked at with further information to be updated at the next meeting.
- Written feedback has been received from member clubs as a result of the presentation of the Player Distribution. All feedback will be assessed by MFC at the July 10 meeting in preparation for the IPL Forum scheduled for July 2019
- 4. IPL and DL Forums set for 22 & 23 July 2019
- 5. Quarter finals completed on 10/6/19 and draw completed for semi-finals. Bampton Cup & Youth Cup semi-finals to be held at Wetherall Park (Primbee) and Ray Robinson (Fernhill) and completed mid-week, night fixtures before the end of July with the Finals scheduled to be conducted at JJ Kelly Park mid-August 2019.
- 6. Proposal to run a dedicated round for mental health (Round 20 proposed) as a RUOK across all levels of Men's Football including IPL, DL and CL.

Next MFC Meeting 10 July 19

E. <u>Women's Football Council Update</u>

#### **Competition Update:**

- EOIs to host the AAW Semi-finals and Finals have been sent to clubs and are due back to the Women's Council by Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July. We are hoping for a better response from clubs this year as we had issues hosting all the games in 2018. The Grand Finals will be held at Ian McLennan Park on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> September.
- 2. Thank you to Albion Park Soccer Club for their invitation to attend their annual NAIDOC Week Celebration on Sunday the 7th July. NAIDOC Week celebrations are held across Australia each July to celebrate the history, culture and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. NAIDOC is celebrated not only in Indigenous communities, but by Australians from all walks of life. This year's NAIDOC theme is "VOICE. TREATY. TRUTH. Let's work together for a shared future." The celebration lead into an entertaining division one match between Albion Park and Kiama.
- Albion Park have again made the final of the State Cup after defeating Leichardt Saints 4-0 in the semifinal on the 30<sup>th</sup> of June. UOWFC were knocked out in the Quarter Finals. Albion Park will be playing Epping FC on the 21<sup>st</sup> of July at VSP.

#### Awards Evening:

4. The Women's Competition awards Evening planning is underway. With our new sponsorship with The Grange, the evening will be held there on Friday the 20<sup>th</sup> September.

**Next Council Meeting:** Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> July from 6:30 (at FSC) **Next Clubs Meeting:** Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> August from 7:00 (at Dapto Leagues Club)

#### F. Junior Football Council

#### **Competition Review**

- 1. U12 Division 1 and 2 competitions have been declared (10 teams in each division) competition started in round 10.
- 2. Junior Clubs have started to submit expressions of interest to host Semi Finals (23/8, 24/8 and 25/8/19) and Finals (30/8, 31/8 and 1/9/19).

#### FNSW State Cup

- 3. 4 FSC teams participated in the Semi Finals and 3 teams progressed to the Finals on July 21:
  - 18 Women's Shellharbour
  - 21 Men's Wollongong United
  - AAW Albion Park

Next Junior Council meeting – July 22 Next Junior Club meeting –August 21 Next Association Standing Committee – July 29

#### G. Finance Update

Financials for the 2018/2019 were reviewed and approved.

H. Representative and Development Update including South Coast Flame FC

No key issues or points to raise.