

Dear Member Clubs

The FSC Board is excited to announce the introduction of a third tier to the Men's Premiership for the 2026 season.

This change will formalise the current progression from Community League All Age Division 1 into the Premiership model and is consistent with the three tier model discussed and supported with our football community over recent months. This is an important step in the implementation of our strategy to further facilitate the growth and development of football in the Illawarra.

As a result, the following changes will be implemented for the Men's Premiership Competition for the 2026 season:

- The currently named Premier League will be rebranded as 'Men's Premier League 1' and will continue to include First Grade, Second Grade, and Youth Grade in 2026.
- The currently named District League will be rebranded 'Men's Premier League 2' and will continue to include First Grade, Second Grade and Youth Grade in 2026.
- 'Men's Premier League 3' will be introduced in the 2026 season. It will consist of First Grade and Second Grade.

FSC is seeking expressions of interest (EOI) for those clubs wishing to participate in the Premier League 3 competition for 2026.

We request that clubs interested in participating in the Premier League 3 structure email [bobbym@footballsouthcoast.com](mailto:bobbym@footballsouthcoast.com) by midnight on September 15, 2025. For all clubs interested in submitting an EOI, please feel free to reach out if you have any queries by emailing Bobby.

FSC may request further information from clubs submitting an EOI.

Yours in football,

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