



NORTHERN INLAND FOOTBALL COUNCIL OF CLUBS

TAMWORTH – 12th FEBRUARY 2020 – WEST DIGGERS CLUB

“To collectively discuss the 2020 Season and get ready for 2020”

In Attendance	Club Represented
Barry Murphy	Tamworth FC
Brent May	Tamworth FC
Wayne May	Tamworth FC
Mick Barber	NIF Board Member
Matt Bridge	Moore Creek FC
Matt Hall	Moore Creek FC
Chris Jarrett	Kootingal & District FC
Gary Johnson	Kootingal & District FC
Mitchell O’Keefe	OVA
Wes Clark	South United
Mark Ross	South United
Sam Saunders	Manilla FC
Angus Faulks	Manilla FC
Andrew Beer	North Companion FC
Phillip Andrews	NNSWF
Ross Hicks	NSNWF
Julia Farina	NIF
Toby McVey	NIF

1. National Primary School Games – James Cooper.
2. State of the Game Address – Ross Hicks
3. Governance

Component	Actions/notes
National Club Development Program (NCDP) launched 24.09.19.	Only two (2) clubs in the Southern area have either commenced or achieved, this being TFC level 4 and Moore Creek started. Clubs are encouraged to contact Phillip Andrews to be their accreditation with the NCDP.



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Working with Children Checks	<p>Clubs are requested to have an MPIO active.</p> <p>There is an MPIO course set for Wednesday 19th February at Gipps Street. Register online.</p> <p>Jean Bone – NIF MPIO</p> <p>Phillip Andrews from NNSWF is a key contact for questions regarding club MPIOs. pandrews@northernnswfootball.com.au</p>
Volunteers, Coaches and Managers to register in PlayFootball	<p>Must be registered in PlayFootball.</p> <p>Aim to have every volunteer, coach, manager and committee member registered for 2020.</p>
Hot Weather Policy / Wet Weather and Storms	<p>No Changes. See list of policies on NIF website.</p> <p>MyTRC App is great for field closures.</p>
Playing with Spectacles	<p>No change from 2019.</p>
Red & Yellow cards for coaches and managers	<p>Now in Laws of the Game, all competitive games.</p>
Referees	<p>Annual referee seminars are being held to cover Law Changes for 2020 season.</p> <p>Level 4 Referee courses are being held across the region.</p>
Ground Officials	<p>Must be over 18 for 2020. NIF to provide a guide to clubs about the roles of a Ground Official.</p>
Reports from Games	<p>Notification sent to the Competitions Administrator by Monday morning immediately following the weekend fixture. This included incident reports and send off reports.</p>
Sanctions – Disciplinary – Players / Teams – Pre-season – carrying over from 2019	<p>NIF will advise clubs, sanctioned players must be registered to serve a <u>match suspension</u>.</p> <p>Players serving a <u>time suspension</u> do not have to register to serve the suspension.</p>
Forms (Injury Report Form, Playback form)	<p>Must be submitted for all injuries.</p> <p>https://northerninlandfootball.com.au/nif-forms/</p>
2020 Competition Any questions regarding Rules and Regulations, exceptions, eligibility, forms.	<p>NIF to amend 2020 Competition Regulations regarding youth female players participating in senior women’s fixtures. Youth female players to be born in 2005 (turning 15 in 2020) to participate in senior women’s fixtures.</p>



4. 2020 Competition

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Game Times	Friday U18 – 6pm / 7.45pm 4th Division – 6pm / 7.45pm Saturday U16 – 8am U12 – 9.30am U13 – 10.30am U14 – 11.45am Seniors – 1pm, 3pm, 5pm
Ages and Divisions	U5 – NIF to organise U5 competition for first year players. U6-U11 – Pools the same as 2019. U12 – U16 – A and B division on nomination form. 11 teams minimum to have split divisions. U14-U18 Girls Competition discussed. Social women's competition to compliment Kick On for Women program was presented – NIF to confirm.
Nomination Open and Close	Team nominations open now and close 16 th March 2020 for Senior and Youth teams. MiniRoos team nominations close 26 th March.
U12 Fields	No change for 2020. NSNWF have not adopted 9-aside football for U12.
Fixtures and changes	Any changes must be in accordance with rules and regulations.
Preserving Fields and Field Availability – Green Space training	NIF working closely with TRC to preserve playing fields. The use of non-playing green space for training is being encouraged. NIF working with all clubs and TRC to accommodate and allocate training fields during winter season with lights.
Youth Playing Seniors	As per rules and regulations for 2020 season.
Eligibility for finals	As per rules and regulations for 2020 season. This has been updated from 2019 and made clearer for clubs.
School Holidays and Leave Weekends	NIF communicating with schools regarding leave weekend / major excursions. Clubs encourage to advise NIF of school events that may affect their Junior / Youth fixtures.
Community Awards – Newcastle Permanent	Newcastle Permanent Community (Referee, Coach and Volunteer) Awards. Clubs encouraged to nominate each month. https://northernnsfootball.com.au/communityawards/



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Field Bookings and Training	<p>NIF working closely with TRC to preserve playing fields. The use of non-playing green space for training is being encouraged.</p> <p>NIF working with all clubs and TRC to accommodate and allocate training fields during winter season with lights.</p>
Communication to clubs/ Council of Club Meetings	<p>Council of Clubs for 2020 booked an on the NIF Calendar. https://northerninlandfootball.com.au/calendar/</p>
NIF Website and Facebook	<p>NIF website always updating. Clubs encouraged to share NIF Facebook page and NIFootball – South Facebook group.</p> <p>Facebook used to communicate with community.</p>
2020 Final Series (including staggered end to season)	<p>10th to 13th Community Football 19th/ 20th Premier Competition Div 1 and 2</p>
MiniRoos Competition , working with the format (Joeys, Wallabies and Kangaroos)	<p>Club prefer not to grade U6-U11 into these groups. Keep with 2019 pool format.</p>
<p>2020 Season</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Registrations open – 1st Feb - Season Launch – 4th Apr - Season Start – 2nd May <p>Considerations: School Holidays, Leave Weekends, Public holidays</p>	<p>Registrations now open.</p> <p>Johnson Cup – Sunday 5th April. Nominations now open.</p> <p>Acropolis Cup planned for June 2020.</p>
<p>Season Launch Day At Gipps Street</p> <p>Quirindi and Gunnedah</p>	<p>Club Tents for merchandise.</p> <p>Short games 15m x15m for Youth. NIF to allocate fields and arrange draw.</p> <p>Changes to Laws of the Game session.</p> <p>MiniRoos Course</p> <p>How to put up and take down nets</p> <p>Technical areas</p> <p>Aim to provide clubs draws for the 2020 season.</p>