

2025

COACHES & MANAGERS FORUM

CAMPBELL PARK COMMUNITY
ROOM

ADULT TEAMS
(UNDER 21 TO OVER 50)



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AJFC KEY CONTACTS

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teamtraining@abbotsfordjuniorsfc.com.au – questions and issues regarding training times, schedule and questions regarding field availability

comp-sec@abbotsfordjuniorsfc.com.au – questions, issues or information requests regarding competition, schedules, rules and or results including rescheduling of games

registrar@abbotsfordjuniorsfc.com.au – for all enquiries regarding player registration and team management

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AJFC WEBSITE

<http://abbotsfordjuniorsfc.com.au>

Your gateway to all the resources you need

- Game Day checklists
- Training Schedules
- Competition Management
- Codes of Conduct
- Pitch Closures and Wet Weather Info
- Forms and procedures
- Training Events



AJFC SOCIAL MEDIA

Abbotsford Juniors Football Club (AJFC) | Facebook
Abbotsford Juniors FC Instagram



COMPETITION MANAGER

<https://cdsfa.dribl.com/>

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Canterbury & District Soccer Football Association

Web app

Home Fixtures Results Ladders Clubs

Home and Away Winter 2020
Jul 03 2020 - Oct 04 2020

View fixtures →

View Results → View Ladders →

Fixtures

Winter 2020

Filter by Competition: Home and Away | Filter by League: All Leagues | Filter by Round: All Rounds | Filter by Club: Abbotsford Juniors | Reset filters

All times shown are your local time

3rd Jul 2020

Abbotsford Juniors	vs	Hudders Park	Black Oval - First 1	15:00	R1	Fixture
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4th Jul 2020

Abbotsford Juniors	vs	All Field Pirates	Leyside Park - 1st 1	15:00	R1	Fixture
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ASSOCIATION WEBSITE

<https://www.footballcanterbury.com.au>



Canterbury District Soccer Football Association Inc.

GAMEDAY CLUBS PLAYERS COACHES REFEREES RESOURCES ABOUT EVENTS CONTACT



DRAWS, RESULTS & TABLES



FIELD LOCATIONS



WET WEATHER



FOR PLAYERS



LATEST NEWS



FOR REFEREES



GAME DAY



OUR CLUBS



ABOUT US



FIELD MAP FOR 2025



More info:

<https://www.abbotsfordjuniorsfc.com.au/ajfc-fields/>

AJFC FIELD SETUP

Campbell Park and Lysaght Park host Small Sided Football on Saturday and Sunday mornings

- Lysaght Park Field 1 hosts Lysaght Park Mini 1 and Lysaght Park Mini 2 fields
- Campbell Park Field 3 hosts Campbell Park Half 1 and Campbell Park Half 2 fields
- Mini 1 and Half 1 fields are the closest to the Campbell Park Amenities building

Fields transition from Small Sided (Half and Mini) to Full size at different times

- If your team is first or last on a field, you WILL be scheduled to setup and pack-up the field
- When Full size games are scheduled, field roping will be done to accommodate the full size game

Do's and Don'ts

- Do know where to find the Pitch Setup and Pack-up schedule; check it each week
- Do arrive early to setup goals, benches and flags to ensure your game happens on time
- Do help with pack-up of the field BEFORE settling in to celebrate your game.

More info:

[Pitch Setup Schedule - Abbotsford Juniors Football Club](#)

HOME PITCH SETUP/PACKUP

<https://www.abbotsfordjuniorsfc.com.au>

Schedule published weekly on AJFC Website once Association draw is finalised! Usually Thursday evening sometimes Friday if draw is changing

Abbotsford Juniors Football Club		Team Schedule for Pitch Setup and Packdown					1/10/2020
ROUND 14							
Date	Day	Game Start	Ground	Field	Action	Assigned Team	
2020-10-03	Saturday	08:30	Lysaght Park	Mini 1	Setup	Abbotsford Juniors 08 Division 01 Mixed	
2020-10-03	Saturday	09:30	Lysaght Park	Mini 1	Packup	Abbotsford Juniors 09 Division 09 Mixed 8 to 9	
2020-10-03	Saturday	08:30	Campbell Park	Mini 1	Setup	Abbotsford Juniors 08 Division 08 Mixed	
2020-10-03	Saturday	11:30	Campbell Park	Mini 1	Packup	Abbotsford Juniors 09 Division 06 Mixed A	
2020-10-03	Saturday	09:00	Campbell Park	Half 1	Setup	Abbotsford Juniors 10 Division 06 Mixed	
2020-10-03	Saturday	11:00	Campbell Park	Half 1	Packup	Abbotsford Juniors 10 Division 07 Mixed	
2020-10-03	Saturday	13:00	Campbell Park	Field 1	Setup	Abbotsford Juniors AA Division 06 Male	
2020-10-03	Saturday	15:00	Campbell Park	Field 1	Packup	Abbotsford Juniors BBC Division 01 Male	
2020-10-03	Saturday	13:00	Campbell Park	Field 2	Setup	Abbotsford Juniors 35 Division 03 Male A	
2020-10-03	Saturday	15:00	Campbell Park	Field 2	Packup	Abbotsford Juniors 45 Division 01 Male	
2020-10-03	Saturday	13:00	Campbell Park	Field 3	Setup/Packup	Abbotsford Juniors AA Division 12 Male	



More info:

<https://www.abbotsfordjuniorsfc.com.au/ajfc-pitch-setup-schedule/>

WORKING WITH CHILDREN



100% compliance without exception.

The Club cannot allow any applicable Coach or Manager of a Youth Team to continue in their volunteer role after April 11th, 2025 without providing a valid Working with Children Number. (if you have applied for clearance to register, you must provide the Club at registrar@abbotsfordjuniorsfc.com.au with the updated number as soon as it is available).

If a valid WWC cannot be provided, your accreditation as an AJFC Coach or Manager will be cancelled and you will be deregistered. You will not be allowed to enter the Technical Area on Game Day. Someone else from the club will need to take up your position on game day and training from season commencement up until this is provided.

In the interests of promoting child safety within the sport of Football, the Board of FNSW has implemented a new WWCC policy which will expand the categories of individuals requiring the NSW Government's WWCC.

MEMBER PROTECTION DECLARATION

The FFA and FNSW have a duty of care to everyone associated with football and to the individuals and organisations to who the National Member Protection Policy applies. In accordance with the National Member Protection Policy, Football NSW must enquire into the background of those who undertake any work, coaching or regular unsupervised contact with people under the age of 18 years.

This is applicable to all coaches, managers, referees and any other persons in either a paid or voluntary capacity who are aged over 16 years and are working or volunteering with children (under 18 years).



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VALUES

EXCHANGE IN THE COMMUNITY

RESPECT

FAIR PLAY

LEADERSHIP

DEVELOPMENT

COACHES CODE OF CONDUCT

- Play by the rules and spirit of the game
- Act in accordance with the Club's Core Values
- Do not abuse, ridicule or bully anyone
- Never argue with an official
- Avoid un-necessary physical contact with players
- Create a positive player experience
- Respect player's rights, dignity and worth
- Take responsibility for player behaviour and actions

COACH RESPONSIBILITY



Season Setup

- Ensure you are correctly registered and approved with the Club
- Ensure all team members are registered and approved
- Confirm a training time for your team with the Club

Weekly

- Coordinate regular team training sessions
- Arrive 10 to 15 minutes before training sessions start to setup drills for session
- Follow the Clubs training guidelines for COVID-19 (where required)

Game Day

- Ensure all aspects of game day transpire in an orderly manner
- Conduct player warm-up drills prior to game
- Allocate player positions for game
- Ensure fair play by players throughout game
- Remain in the technical area at all times during game play unless summoned by the game official
- Ensure replacement players remain seated in the technical area during game play

More info:

<https://www.abbotsfordjuniorsfc.com.au/coaches/>



MANAGERS CODE OF CONDUCT

- Play by the rules and spirit of the game
- Act in accordance with the Club's Core Values
- Do not abuse, ridicule or bully anyone
- Never argue with an official
- Cooperate with my team members, coaches, opponents and officials
- Take responsibility for the actions of the team including my coach and parents

MANAGER RESPONSIBILITY



Season Setup

- Ensure club communication is distributed to parents and players
- Ensure all team members are registered and approved (including coaches)
- Confirm a training time for your team with the Club
- Review Team Manager Checklist

Weekly Activity

- Confirm game details (date, time and venue); it does and will change
- Ensure team detail on Match Sheet is recorded correctly
- Organise borrowed players to attend games where necessary
- Ensure forfeits (where necessary) are done at least 72 hours prior to a game to avoid a fine

Game Day

- Confirm field/pitch is open in the event of wet weather
- Organise parents/players to assist with ground setup/packup when scheduled
- Pay referee(s) match payment prior to match and obtain referee sign-off
- Ensure that all aspects of game day transpire in an orderly manner
- Confirm Match Sheet and score are correct and COMPLETE

More info:

<https://www.abbotsfordjuniorsfc.com.au/managers/>



A young girl in a blue and green soccer uniform is captured in the middle of kicking a soccer ball on a grassy field. She is wearing a blue cap with the Mizuno logo, a blue jersey with green accents, and blue shorts. The background shows a white fence and a blue car. The text "2025 SEASON AT ABBOTSFORD JUNIORS FOOTBALL CLUB" is overlaid in large, yellow, outlined letters.

2025 SEASON
AT
ABBOTSFORD
JUNIORS
FOOTBALL CLUB

TEAM SEASON SETUP

- Confirm your Players and Registration
- Confirm Coach and Manager Registration
- Book a Team Training Time
- Collect a Training Kit
- Commence training at your allotted time and place
- Setup Dribl Application
- Collect Game Day Kit (when advised by Club)
- Confirm 1st Match and Game Day
- PLAY ON



AJFC KEY DATES



Monday 24th March: Coaches and Managers Forum Sessions

Tuesday 25th March: Regular Team Training Schedule Start (lights on)

Friday 28th March: AJFC Socks and remaining Kit Delivery

WEEKEND – Finalisation of Game Day Kits (Socks and Jerseys)

Tuesday 1st April: Team Coach and Manager “Game Day Collection” Starts

Wednesday 2nd April: Team Coach and Manager “Game Day Collection”

Thursday 3rd April: Team Coach and Manager “Game Day Collection”

Friday 4th, Saturday 5th and Sunday 6th April: Opening Games of the 2025 Winter Season

Friday 22nd – Sunday 24th August: Last Football Canterbury Association Finals take place

Sunday 31st August – AJFC Community Day

Sunday 15th September – AJFC Youth Presentation Day and AJFC Awards

Youth Presentation Day and End of Season Presentation Evening TBA



TEAM TRAINING

- Booked by registered Coach or Manager (teamtraining@abbotsfordjuniorsfc.com.au)
- Training schedule and pitch locations are published on the AJFC website
- Club training days are Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday

TUESDAY 4:30 – 5:30PM

CAMPBELL 1

CP-1 Northwest U7/3 Goannas 5:00-6:00	CP-1 Northcenter U7/2 Dingoes 5:00-6:00	CP-1 Northeast U7/1 Crocs 5:00-6:00
CP-1 Southwest Free 4:30-5:30	CP-1 Southeast U9 DIV 3 5:00-6:00	

CAMPBELL 3

CP-3 Northwest Free 4:30-5:30	CP-3 Northeast 9 DIV 7 4:30-5:30
CP-3 Southwest free 4:30-5:30	CP-3 Southeast U9 DIV 3 5:00-6:00

LYSAGHT PARK

Lysaght Northwest Free 4:30-5:30	Lysaght Northeast 13 Girls Div 2 5:00-6:00
Lysaght Southwest Free 4:30-5:30	Lysaght Southeast Free 4:30-5:30

CAMPBELL 2

CP-2 Northwest U6/3 Koalas 5:00-6:00	CP-2 North Center Spare 4:30-5:30	CP-2 Northeast U6/4 Kangaroos 4:30-5:30
CP-2 Southwest U6/6 Red Bellies 4:30-5:30	CP-2 South Center U6/7 Quokkas 4:30-5:30	CP-2 Southeast U6/5 Possums 4:30-5:30

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ABOUT • FOOTBALL • REGISTRATION • GAME DAY • **TRAINING** • SHOP • RESOURCES

AJFC TEAM TRAINING SCHEDULE

The AJFC Team Training Schedule for Winter Season (September through August) can be accessed below. Notification of updates and/or changes to the schedule as a result of rescheduled games, special events and/or weather will be communicated to team coaches and managers via email, this website and through our Facebook Page.

TEAM TRAINING SCHEDULE

Version: A.8 Draft (Updated: 25.09.2021)

The first training schedule for the 2025 Winter Season can be downloaded below can be downloaded below. The schedule will take effect when AJFC takes possession of both Campbell Park and Lysaght Park from Tuesday 25th March 2025.

CAMPBELL PARK & LYSAGHT PARK HOME TO ABBOTSFORD JUNIORS FOOTBALL CLUB

2025 CAPSPACE

TRAINING RESOURCES

City of Canada Bay Council Field Book

Football Training Resources: [More Soccer Activities Guide](#) - create any soccer game. To assist in our training clubs and clubs. To assist in our training clubs and clubs. To assist in our training clubs and clubs.

More info:

[AJFC Team Training Schedule - Abbotsford Juniors Football Club](#)



TEAM TRAINING

- Portable mini goals and poles can be borrowed from Club Shed for training
- MUST be returned after each training session
- Please stick to your allotted time and field space
- No mid-week “trial games” with goals/flags possible without prior approval of Club
- Mid-Week Catch-up Games
 - Mid-week games will occur where weather disrupts weekend competition games
 - Games kick-off at 7.15pm to ensure lights are available and game times are reserved in the training schedule for these on Campbell Park Fields 1 and 2
 - Teams training on a field which has a scheduled mid-week game must finish on time at 7pm.

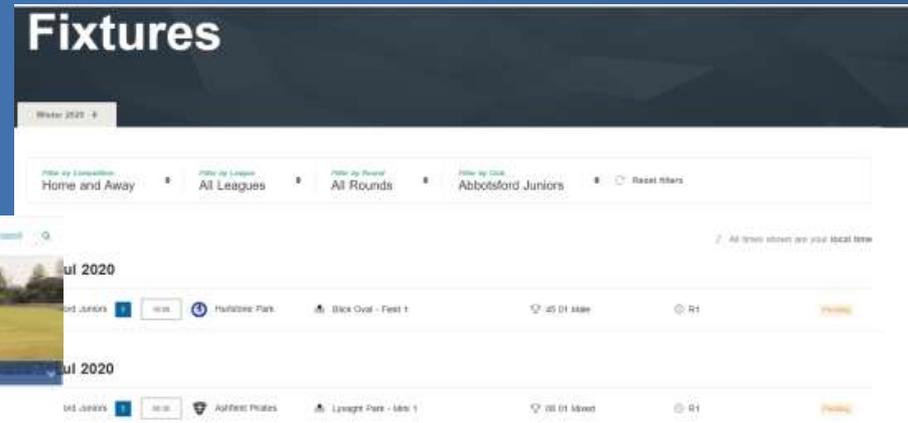
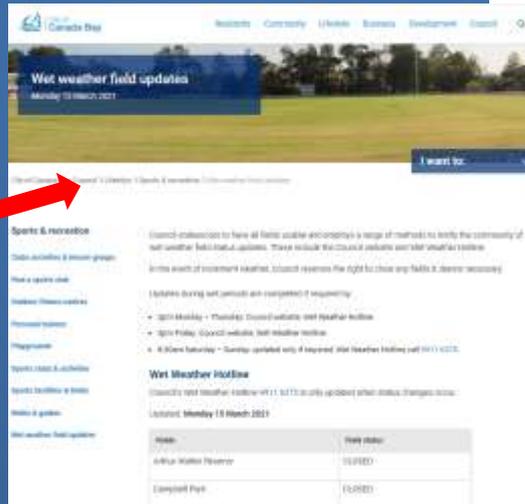
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[AJFC Team Training Schedule - Abbotsford Juniors Football Club](#)



WET WEATHER

- AJFC Home Grounds (Campbell and Lysaght Parks) – Canada Bay Council website provides ground status; this is a guide; it doesn't mean a game is washed out.
- AJFC will notify Home fields closure to Mini-Roos coaches and managers via Social Media (Facebook page) and email.



More info:

<https://www.canadabay.nsw.gov.au/lifestyle/sports-and-recreation/wet-and-recreation>

WET WEATHER

- A game is only officially washed out if it's status in Dribl confirms a WASHOUT RESCHEDULE or WASHOUT CANCELLED.
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- PENDING status means your game is still on and your team must turn up or be deemed to have forfeited
- IF A FIELD IS CLOSED, GAMES MAY BE TRANSFERRED IF ANOTHER FIELD IS AVAILABLE AT VERY SHORT NOTICE, SO PLEASE CHECK THE SCHEDULE CONSTANTLY.

Check Dribl (<https://cdfsfa.dribl.com/>)
regularly during wet weather for game status

More info:

[Game Day at AJFC - Abbotsford Juniors Football Club](#)



GAME DAY



7.4 **GROUND OFFICIALS**

7.4.1 Each Club must provide at least one Ground Official for each of its home fields that is being played upon. Where the match is being played at a neutral ground (or night venue), both teams (Clubs) are required to provide a Ground Official.

7.4.2 Each Club Ground Official must be clearly visible and be identified as an official wearing the designated Ground Official (orange hi-vis) vest.

7.5 **WELFARE OF THE MATCH OFFICIALS**

7.5.1 The Home Team will be solely responsible for the welfare of the Match Officials, from the time they arrive at the ground, until the time they depart the ground. Failure to carry out this requirement may result in a sanction by the CDSFA.



GROUND OFFICIALS

Actions

- All Clubs must provide a minimum of one (1) active Ground Official for each Full Field (i.e. 2 x half fields, etc) in operation.
- Failure to provide the required number of vested and active Ground Officials within 10-minutes of the nominated kick-off time will result in the offending Team being fined

Adult Competition Teams (Under 21 to Over 45 Men)

- All teams must provide one adult to act as a Ground Official for their game if one is not present at home games
- One (1) Orange Ground Official Vest will be provided to all competition teams

IMPORTANT NOTE:

- The Ground Official cannot be a person who is on the match sheet as a Team Coach or Team Manager. They cannot support the team.

More info:

[AJFC Ground Officials - Abbotsford Juniors Football Club](#)

GROUND OFFICIAL ACTIONS

For Match Officials (Referees and Assistant Referees)

- Make themselves clearly visible to the Match Officials prior to the commencement of a Match
- Assist Match Officials in ensuring that roped off field areas are kept clear of spectators

For AJFC Supporters

- Ensure that AJFC Supporters always comply with the FA Spectator Code of Behaviour (Code of Behaviour)

For Away Team Supporters

- For Away Team Supporters, DO NOT, unless it is safe to do so, approach opposition Spectators behaving inappropriately. Report spectator behaviour to an AJFC Club representative at the Club Shed, if in attendance, or lodge an incident report with the Club after the game

For Serious Behavioural Issues with Supporters (Home or Away)

- Report behaviour to an AJFC Club representative at the Club Shed. If required, contact the NSW Police

ST JOHN FIRST AID

- AJFC is proud of our long-standing partnership with St John.
- For the last few seasons AJFC have been unique within Football Canterbury in providing first aid support for all home games (Sat & Sun), providing critical Game Day first aid to home and away players. This has become the envy of other local clubs!
- We are fortunate to have a dedicated first aid room at our Club to support St John.
- In the event of an injury, please use St John staff. They are better qualified to assist and triage injury!



REPORTING AN INJURY

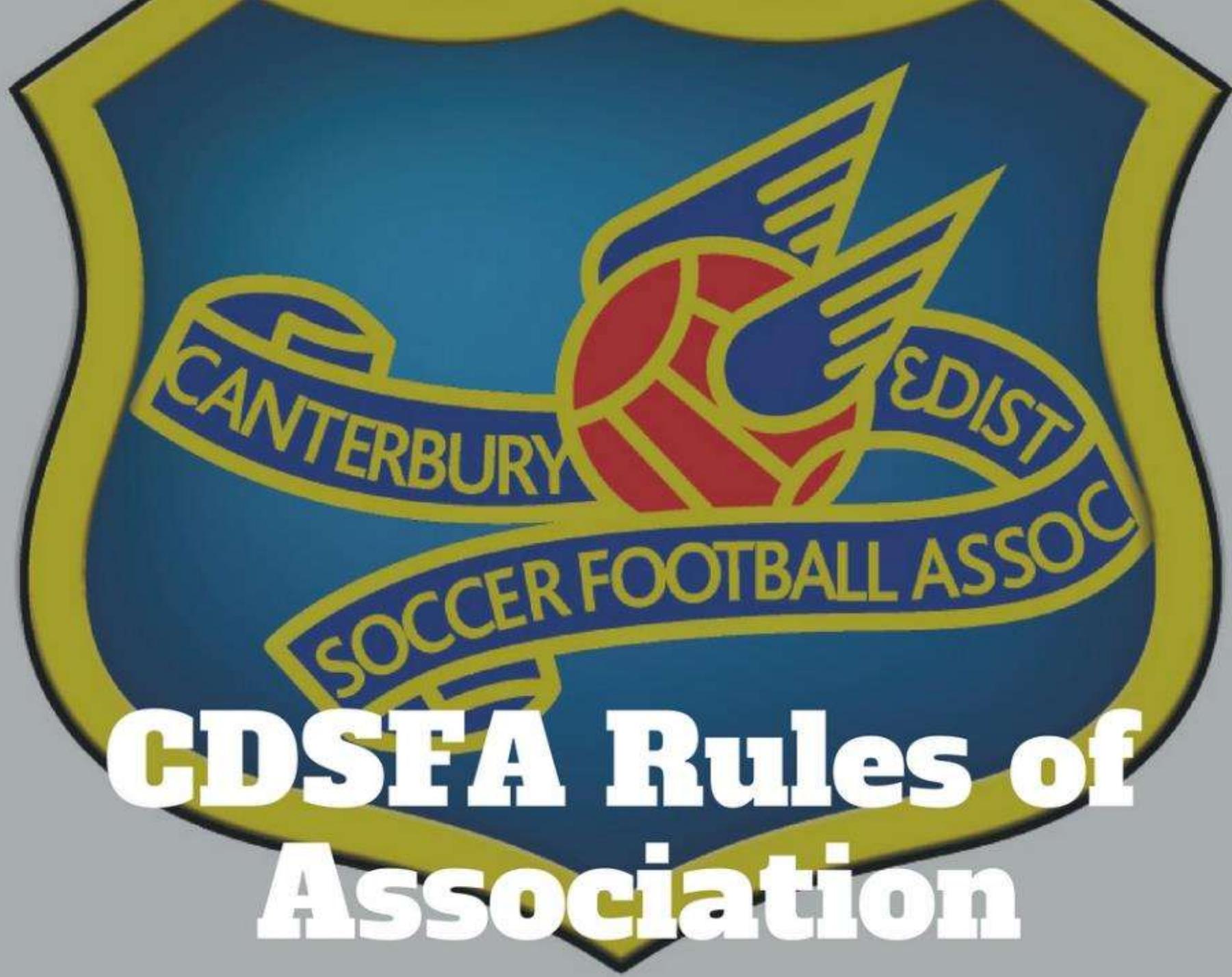
- If a player is injured, please follow the Club's injury procedure (see the website for details). If on a Game Day and at our home fields, please seek the assistance of St John Ambulance staff. They are the experts and are there to help!
- A team coach or manager must submit an injury report to the Club as soon as possible after the event
- This is important for both your own and the Club's risk as well as necessary to activate any claim that might be made against Football NSW Insurance policy



More info:

[AJFC Incident and Injury Reporting - Abbotsford Juniors Football Club](#)





CDSEA Rules of Association

COMPETITION SCHEDULE



- Runs from 5th April to 23rd/24th August
(weather permitting)
- No Breaks in the April and July school holidays!
- No rescheduling of NON-Competition games in the event of washouts



COMPETITION SCHEDULE



- Small Sided Football Preferred Match Scheduling
- Under 6 & Under 7 Mixed – Saturday
- Under 8, 9, 10, 11 Mixed – Saturday
- Under 12 Mixed - Sunday
- Under 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 Female only – Sunday
- Junior Football Preferred (Round) Match Scheduling
- Under 13 Mixed and Under 14, 15, 16, 18 Male – Sunday
- Under 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 19 Female – Sunday
- Adult (Senior) Football Preferred (Round) Match Scheduling
- Over 35 Division 2 Home Games at Campbell Park on Friday night
- All Age, Over 35, Over 45– Saturday
- Under 21 Male – Sunday
- All Age Women and Over 35 Female – Sunday



COMPETITION END



- Schedule based upon Division size
 - 6 teams – Scheduled 15-17 August
 - 8 teams – Scheduled 8-10 August
 - 10 teams – Scheduled 22- 24 August
 - 12 teams – Scheduled 22 – 24 August



COMPETITION MANAGER

<https://cdsfa.dribl.com/>

dribl

The screenshot shows the website for the Canterbury & District Soccer Football Association. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the association's logo on the left and a 'Web app' link on the right. Below the navigation bar, there are tabs for 'Home', 'Fixtures', 'Results', 'Ladders', and 'Clubs'. The main content area features a large banner image of a person looking out a window. Below the banner, there is a section titled 'Home and Away Winter 2020' with the dates 'Jul 03 2020 - Oct 04 2020'. At the bottom of this section, there are two buttons: 'View Results' and 'View Ladders', both with right-pointing arrows.

The screenshot shows the 'Fixtures' page on the Dribl platform. The page is titled 'Fixtures' and has a sub-header 'Winter 2020 - 9'. Below the header, there are several filter options: 'Filter by Competition: Home and Away', 'Filter by League: All Leagues', 'Filter by Round: All Rounds', and 'Filter by Club: Abbotsford Juniors'. There is also a 'Reset filters' button. A note at the bottom right of the filter section says 'All times shown are your local time'. The fixtures are listed by date, with the first entry for '3rd Jul 2020' showing a match between 'Abbotsford Juniors' and 'Hastings Park' at 'Black Oval - Field 1' at '15:00' with a 'R1' status. The second entry for '4th Jul 2020' shows a match between 'Abbotsford Juniors' and 'Auriferus Pirates' at 'Langtree Park - Mts 1' at '18:00' with a 'R1' status.

More info:

[Dribl Use At AJFC - Abbotsford Juniors Football Club](#)

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DRIBL APP ACCOUNT ACTIVATION



- Download from App Store and Install- advice if you have the App already and are having issues, **delete and re-install**
- Signup - Enter an email address (your unique login account). Be sure to use the same email address that was used when you first registered via the Dribl Registration Store.
- Password - Enter a password - needs to be at least six (6) characters
- Verification – Enter the 4-digit verification code sent to your email address – be sure to check your spam/junk folders
- IMPORTANT: Profile Selection – Select your profile - you may be presented with multiple profiles including those of family members if you used a single email address for registration. Select YOUR Coach or Manager profile and not that of your Child! If your profile is not listed, tap “None of these profiles are mine” and continue to create a new profile for yourself.
- Profile Match - Enter your First Name, Last Name and Date of Birth to verify that it matches the selected profile.
- Account Complete - Upon successful validation, your Dribl account and profile is successfully created.

More info:

[Dribl Use At AJFC - Abbotsford Juniors Football Club](#)



DIGITAL MATCH SHEET PROCESS



- Game Day administration is via Dribl platform - accessed phone app and/or website (dribl.com)
- Match Sheets - Game details, player confirmation, jersey numbers, referee assignment and game score are all online
- Digital Player Cards - Photo ID's are visible within the App and are to be reviewed by Team Manager(s) and Referee
- Team Officials Physical Cards – must be obtained by team officials and worn at all times during the game
- Borrowing players – conducted by Team Manager within Dribl. Check rules before borrowing – Dribl does not enforce the rules!
- Final score entry by Referee and Team Managers using the Dribl app
- Sign-off (Approval) by Team Manager(s) is required via the Dribl app immediately after the game



DIGITAL MATCH SHEETS

TEAM MANAGER ROLE



PRE-GAME (in Dribl)

- Login and select your match
- Review your team, update player availability and add borrowed players and record jersey numbers. Once complete – SUBMIT

GAME DAY (in Dribl)

- Make sure your team is correct in Dribl
- Review opposition team checking player/coach/manager photos against those present
- If in order, CONFIRM and play

POST GAME (in Dribl)

- Confirm the Score with the Match Official (Referee) and enter into Dribl
- CONFIRM the result



DIGITAL MATCH SHEETS

GAME DAY ISSUES



NO GAME LEADER ASSIGNED OR PRESENT

- With the opposition Team Manager, agree someone to act as a non-accredited Game Leader and add their details into the Dribl App

INCORRECT PLAYERS/COACHES/MANAGERS

- Discuss with the opposition Team Manager and Official to correct the issue.
- If not corrected, report the incident to your Club

INCORRECT SCORE OR YELLOW/RED CARDS

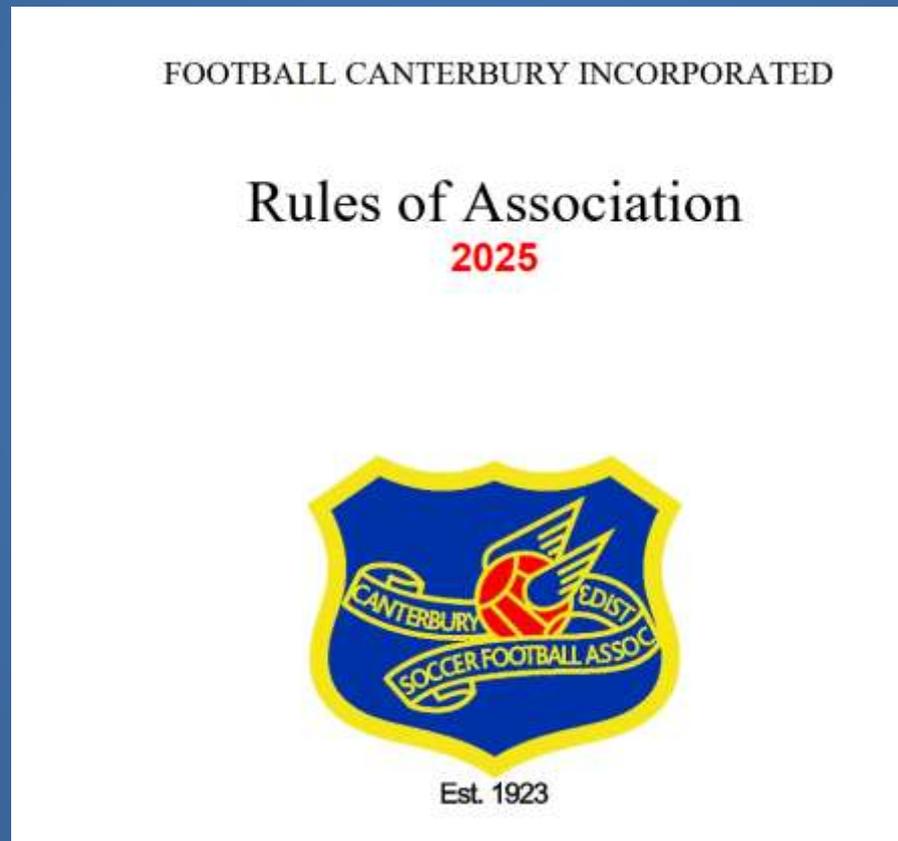
- Resolve with the opposition Team Manager and Game Leader (and Mentor) before leaving the field
- If not agreed, formally report issue to the Club as soon as possible after the game



GAME DAY RULES



Governed by Football Canterbury Rules of Association



Available at: <https://www.footballcanterbury.com.au/resources/>

DIGITAL PLAYER ID



NO REGISTRATION = NO PLAY

Rule 5.1.1

The Maximum number of players that may be added to a Dribl match sheet;

Under 6 & 7 = 7 players (4 + 3)

Under 8 & 9 = 11 players (7 + 4)

Under 10 & 11 & 12 = 13 players (9 + 4)

Over 45 and Over 50 = 18 (11 + 7)

All other age groups = 16 players (11 + 5)



PLAYER ELIGIBILITY



LOTS OF RULES APPLY TO BORROWING PLAYERS!

6.2 PLAYER ELIGIBILITY AND PLAYING OUT OF AGE GROUP OR DIVISION UNDER 8 TO UNDER 21 COMPETITIONS

5.2.1 Subject to the restrictions imposed under rule 1.1 and the permissions extended under rule 5.2, players in the under 8 to under 18 age groups (for boys) and under 8 to under 16 age groups (for girls) must play in the age group of the birthday they will achieve in that calendar year or a maximum of 2 years higher age group.

No player in an under 8 to under 21 age based team may play for a team in an age group or in a division lower than the age group and/or division into which the player has been graded for that season. This provision being subject to any official regrading of the player's team during that season.

5.2.1.1 A male player must attain his 18th, 19th, 20th or 21st birthday in the relevant year to be automatically eligible to register for a team in the under 21 boys age group.

5.2.1.2 A female player must attain her 16th, 17th, 18th, 19th, 20th or 21st birthday in the relevant year to be automatically eligible to register for a team in the under 21 girls age group.

A female player who would turn 16 years of age in the relevant year may be eligible to play in the age group subject to parental application to the Board, and subsequent approval. Parental application for registration in this case must acknowledge and accept all risks deriving from that

registration, and that application must be made and approved by the Board prior to the player participating in the under 21 competition.

5.2.2 A player in an under 8 to under 16 age based girls team may, from time to time, play for a team in a higher division or in a higher age group subject to the limitations set out in rules 1.1.1.4 and 5.2.2.1 to 5.2.2.3.

A player in an under 8 to under 18 age based boys team may, from time to time, play for a team in a higher division or in a higher age group subject to the limitations set out in rules 1.1.1.3 and 5.2.2.1 to 5.2.2.3.

A player in an under 21 team may, from time to time, play for a team in a higher division of the under 21 competition subject to the limitations set out in rules 5.2.2.1 and 5.2.2.2.

5.2.2.1 WITHIN THE SAME DIVISION- Where two or more teams from the same Club are in the same division, then no interchange of players between those teams is permitted.

5.2.2.2 WITHIN THE SAME AGE GROUP- A player registered and graded in a lower division team can play in a higher division team, but NOT the other way round.

5.2.2.3 BETWEEN DIFFERENT AGE GROUPS- A player registered and graded in a lower age group can play in a higher age group, SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING RESTRICTIONS:

(a) **Non-Premiership Division (U8-U11):** When playing one (1) or two (2) years above the player's actual age, a player graded into a Division 1 team can only play into a division 1 team in that higher age group. A player graded into a Division 2 team or lower when playing up one (1) or two (2) years above their actual age may play in any Division in the higher age group. Any player who plays in a non-eligible Division is an ineligible player and will be dealt with as an ineligible player in accordance with the provisions contained within these rules.

(b) **Premiership Divisions:** Where the difference in age group is only one year (eg: under 12 to under 13) then a player from the lower age group can play in the higher age group at the same division or higher. eg: a 12/2 player could play in 13/2 or 13/1 but NOT in 13/3. Notwithstanding the foregoing, a maximum of two players from the lowest team in a particular division may play up into the lowest team of the next highest age group. eg: a 15/1 player may play up into a 16/2 team if both of those teams were the lowest graded teams in their respective age groups.

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(c) **Premiership Divisions:** Where the difference in age group is two years (eg: under 12 to under 14) then a player from the lower age group can play in the higher age group in any division which is not more than 3 divisions lower than the player's registered division.

(d) For reasons of safety it is not permitted for a player registered in an under 6 to under 16 age based girls team, or an under 6 to under 18 age based boys team to play more than two years above the player's age group. For example, a player who turns 10 years of age in the relevant year, and who is registered in either an under 10 or an under 11 team, might play up in an under 12 team but not in an under 13 team.

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(a) Where the difference in age group is only one year (eg: under 10 to under 11) then a player from the lower age group can play in the higher age group at the same division or higher. eg: a 10/2 player could play in 11/2 or 11/1 but NOT in 11/3. Notwithstanding the foregoing, a maximum of two players from the lowest team in a particular division may play up into the lowest team of the next highest age group. eg: a 15/1 player may play up into a 16/2 team if both of those teams were the lowest graded teams in their respective age groups.

(b) Where the difference in age group is two years (eg: under 9 to under 11) then a player from the lower age group can play in the higher age group in any division which is not more than 3 divisions lower than the player's registered division.

(c) Notwithstanding the provisions of clause 5.2.2.2(d), for reasons of safety it is not permitted for a player registered in an under 6 to under 16 age based girls team, or an under 6 to under 18 age based boys team to play more than two years above the player's age group. For example, a player who turns 10 years of age in the relevant year, and who is registered in either an under 10 or an under 11 team, might play up in an under 12 team but not in an under 13 team.



PLAYER ELIGIBILITY



- Before using a player(s) from another team CHECK the Rules to see if they are eligible to participate in the team (DO NOT RELY ON DRIBL)
- The responsibility for ensuring a player can be used lies with the player and the borrowing Team Officials; not the Match Official
- Penalties for playing an ineligible player(s) may include player suspension and/or team suspension
- If in doubt check with the Club!



GAME DAY

EVERYONE – Games MUST start on time!



You don't need a full compliment of players – if the minimum is there the game starts!

11 a-side teams who are unable to confirm at least seven (7) of their registered players within 10 minutes of the scheduled starting time of the match shall forfeit the match

CRA Match Officials will be directed to ensure half-time breaks are strictly applied and shortened to maintain the day's game program.

Teams should ensure they are On-Time:

- Complete any warm-up activity 5 minutes before kick-off
- Are ready for the referee to check players (in Dribl)
- Complete the coin toss 5 minutes before kick-off



GAME DAY – TEAM OFFICIALS



- MAXIMUM of **TWO** TEAM OFFICIALS that are holding & displaying a current season Team Official ID Card and wearing the Hi-Vis Vest.
- Only players **actually participating** in a game are permitted.
- NOT PERMITTED:
 - Non-playing members of the team (e.g. injured, excess squad)
 - Additional Team Officials above the Max. 2
 - Player's or Team Official's children, partners, friends, etc
 - Club Committee who are NOT acting as a VESTED GROUND OFFICIAL



GAME DAY TECH AREA



Team Officials with Bibs and cards **ONLY** allowed in the roped off area
Team to be seated on bench seats

FORFEITS (CHANGED)



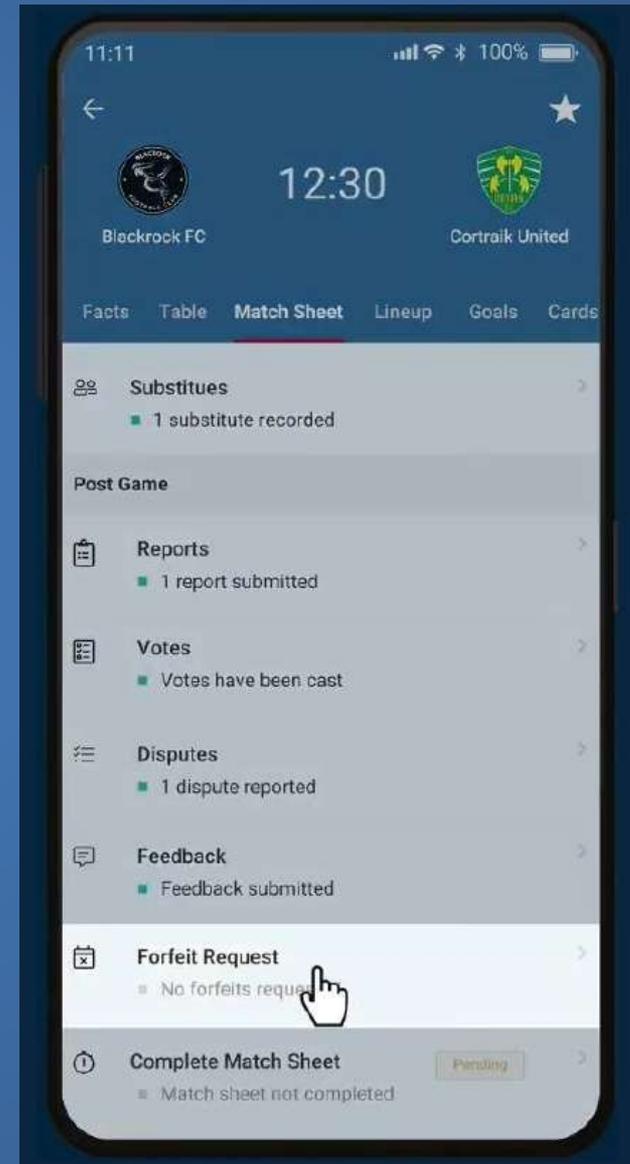
- This year, done by a Coach or Manager in Dribl
- MUST be done 48 hours prior to game
- Forfeit can be lodged within 48 hours but team will be fined and incur the full referee payment
- A No-Show is a forfeit as above
- Fines will be passed on to the team; a failure to pay will see the team stood down by the Club



GAME FORFEITS

FORFEIT PROCESS

- Forfeits **MUST** be made 48 hours prior to the scheduled game commencement time
- Can now be made via Dribl by Team Officials
- Do not need to contact or submit via the Club
- **BE WARNED:** If forfeit is late, the Team will be fined + pay full referees fees (both team's fees)
- **REMINDER:** For competition teams – there are points penalties for repeated Forfeits



Fees, Fines & Reimbursements



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CRA REFEREES AND ASSISTANT FEES



- Fees for CRA (Canterbury Referees Association) Referees and their Assistants, when present, are paid by the Club via Dribl.
- Please ensure that you verify the presence of the Referee and Assistants in the Match Sheet on the Dribl App before commencing the game.
- Where CRA Referees are not present and an Associate Referee is used by the host Club, the home ("host") Club may elect to pay the referee and then invoice the away Club.
- If you pay a referee for any reason, please claim it using the AJFC Match Official claim form by emailing treasurer@abbotsfordjuniorsfc.com.au outlining why the cash payment was made. Club payments will be made in batches and it might be a week or two for reimbursement.

More info:

<https://www.abbotsfordjuniorsfc.com.au/ajfc-match-official-payment/>



Discipline, Yellow/Red Cards



- The Football Canterbury Association imposes heavy penalties for foul play; red cards and other incidents will typically be reviewed Tuesday with a penalty offer made Wednesday which the Club will pass on
- If you wish to challenge you must contact the Club as soon as possible, as time limits apply
- One or more members of the [AJFC Disciplinary Committee](#) will be in contact to discuss your case. Please note that the Club must sanction and attend any appeal made against a penalty imposed by the Association
- For more information see the Member Behaviour and AJFC Disciplinary Appeals process on our website

More info:

[Member Behaviour - Abbotsford Juniors Football Club](#)





RESPECT AND FAIR-PLAY

**TEAM
OFFICIAL**

NO Respect
Referee
Game
Show Respect for
Football

REFEREE/GAME LEADER ABUSE



The main reason for referees giving up!

Top 5 Survey Results from Football NSW and CRA.

Reasons why referees leave the game:

1. Abuse – Player, Managers, Coaches
2. Abuse – Spectators
3. Work Commitments
4. Education Commitments
5. Support from the Association

CRA are fighting a losing battle right from the first entrance course

Solution

- Officials to approach referees before games advising them of support
- Continued monitoring of fields by Ground Officials
- Zero Tolerance policy
- Greater mentoring and support offered by CRA

70%

Of referees
leave in their 1st
year.

80%

Of the
reason is
abuse.



WHAT CAN COACHES AND MANAGERS DO?

If a player is getting heated on or off the pitch:

- Ensure that the team takes ownership and moves the player away from situations before things develop;
- Take them off the field for a period to “cool” down;
- If problems are persistent, discuss their behaviour with their parents;
- If you require assistance with a specific player and their behaviour, please contact the Club.



ZERO TOLERANCE



Tackling Abuse

- The Association has a in Zero Tolerance Policy which tackles abusive conduct and language by ALL stakeholders
- Referees are directed to send players, coaches and managers off for ANY use of swearing
- The Association can, at its discretion, retrospectively suspend players for swearing
- ANY player found to be audibly swearing directed at other players, coaches or managers, match officials, spectators will be immediately sent from the field of play.



More info:

[Member Behaviour - Abbotsford Juniors Football Club](#)

WHAT CAN YOUR TEAM DO?

If you disagree with a incident or have issue with the performance of a referee:

- Do not abuse, challenge or threaten the referee, game leader or ground official before, during or after the game. If you do, your report will be viewed in the context of you and your teams' actions as much as those of the other party and there will be very little likelihood of a successful action.
- Team Managers should lodge an Incident report with the Club providing feedback on the incident and/or the referee's performance
- The Club will review the report and discuss with the team concerned, and where appropriate, the Club will take action and provide formal feedback to the Association and the CRA

More info:

[AJFC Incident and Injury Reporting - Abbotsford Juniors Football Club](#)



COACHES AND MANAGERS RESOURCES



- [AJFC Resources](#) – gateway to AJFC online resources
- [Abbotsford Juniors Facebook Page](#) – up to date information, wet weather closures, events
- [Dribl Competition Manager](#) – CDSFA competition fixtures, results and tables
- [Dribl Competition Manager App Sign-in](#) – sign-in page for Team Coaches and Managers
- [Football Canterbury Website](#) – Football Canterbury Association website
- [Rules of Association 2025](#) - Football Canterbury Association Rules of Association
- [Field Locations](#) - location information for Association Clubs
- [AJFC Report an Incident/Injury Form](#) - printable form for reporting an incident and/or injury to the AJFC Committee
- [Association Fines and Penalties](#) - information on AJFC Member Behaviour, Fines and Football Canterbury Association fines and penalties





CAN YOU HELP?



AJFC VOLUNTEERING

In 2025, Abbotsford Juniors will have well over 1,400 members, 91 teams and will finish with close to 1,250 players

We need your help to allow us to continue to grow the Club in support the demand for football in Canada Bay.

CALLING FOR VOLUNTEERS TO HELP

- Assistance with AJFC Events
- Kit Organisation and Distribution
- Ground Official Duty
- Age Coordinators assisting Coaches and Managers

IF YOU HAVE AN HOUR OR TWO TO GIVE, VISIT

[Volunteering at AJFC - Abbotsford Juniors Football Club](#)