

GARDEN SUBURB FOOTBALL CLUB INC.
SPONSORED BY CARDIFF R.S.L

2014 – PARENT INFORMATION – PLEASE RETAIN

Dear Parents & Players,

Welcome to the Garden Suburb Football Club Inc. ***THE KINGFISHERS***, we hope you have an enjoyable year.

1. If your child/children are 16 years and under the registration of your child/children makes the parent/guardian members of the Club.
2. The Kingfishers have teams ranging in ages from 6 years to All Age, including Women's, Over 35's and Zone League teams which play in the Macquarie District Football Limited competition every Friday, Saturday or Sunday.
3. Monthly meetings of the Club are held on the 3rd Monday of each month commencing in February, at the Cardiff R.S.L., our Major Sponsor, commencing at 7.00pm. (All dates listed on separate page). As per our Constitution we would like to have at least one representative from each team present at these meetings. It is your Club and we appreciate any input and new ideas.
4. The players must have the following Uniform to play and/or for training. Shorts and socks are available at the Clubhouse. We also have Club Shirts and Tracksuits available. They must be ordered and it usually takes approximately 2-3 weeks to get the order back to player/parent. Since this is our 50th Anniversary all teams will have the same strip, and all players will keep their uniforms at the end of season.
 - a. Blue & white Shirts – Game - Blue shorts – Game
 - b. Kingfisher Blue Socks – Game
 - c. Soccer Boots – Game and Training
 - d. Shin Pads – Game and Training
 - e. Drink Bottle – Game and Training (Health Regulation)
 - f. Team Shirts for games are supplied by the Club.
 - g. Correct dress is compulsory on competition days – No watches, rings etc. to be worn during play. Boots with steel studs should be of approved type, moulded plastic studs are more acceptable.
 - h. When teams are finalised and Coaches and Managers are appointed they will contact the player to inform them of training, this is usually worked out for the benefit of all players. Please make sure that when training times are set that a parent/guardian is there to pick up the child as we have a policy that no junior player is allowed to walk home from training or games alone. If unable to pick up your child please see the Coach/Manager of your Childs' team. Dress on training nights is

informal, but soccer boots and shin pads are compulsory, players should bring own drink bottles with water. (Health Regulation).

- i. It is the Club's Policy to instruct parents of young children that we are not a baby sitting service; we do expect either a parent or guardian to be at the grounds at training times. We know it is convenient to go shopping etc. but it places our volunteer coaches/managers in an awkward position if your child is injured at training and needs medical attention. If a parent or guardian cannot be in attendance please inform your Coach or Manager who will be responsible for any decisions that have to be made if your child is injured.
- j. Nomination forms for anyone who would like to apply to Coach or Manage a Team is available from the Secretary and applications close on the 8th February, 2014, forms available from Secretary. The Club encourages all Coaches to obtain a Coaching Certificate and this is subsidised by the Club.
- k. With any new teams coming to the club we look for volunteer parents to coach and manage the teams, for e.g. New Under 6 teams, we will be looking for a parent to take on a coaching role, we offer full support and training. It's one of the most worthwhile and rewarding things you will ever do.
- l. **All players/teams/coaches/officials please note:** If a team plays an unregistered player and the Board finds out **the team will be asked to leave** the Club. Team is also responsible for any fines received.
- m. Make sure all clothing is clearly marked – lost property is handed into our canteen or the canteen of the opposing Club if you are playing an away game.
- n. As soon as the fixtures are available a copy will be forwarded to the Coach or Manager for distribution to all players. Games are usually played on a home and away basis. If you are in doubt regarding fixtures or times please ring your Manager/Coach/ Club Secretary.
- o. We hope to arrange Trial Matches for teams before commencement of competition which could be held on a Saturday afternoon or Sunday.
- p. Cancellation of games – information will be forwarded to your Coach/ Manager when received from Macquarie District Football Limited

- q. Parents and spectators are required to be 6 feet away from the field sidelines while matches are in progress – this includes being behind the goalmouths and talking to the Goalkeeper.
- r. Whilst we require our Coaches/Managers to be fair to all players the Coach/Manager has the sole say as to who plays in what position and when in their team.
- s. This is a volunteer organization and since the Canteen is our major fundraiser for the upkeep of the ground, training equipment and trophies for all players we rely on the parents/volunteer to help man the canteen. During the season when your team is playing a home game it will be rostered on for Canteen Duty. Your team will be required to man the Canteen for the time set down on roster. Information on Canteen Duty will be supplied when finalized.
- t. On Canteen Day your team will be required to supply a Duty Officer for the Day. Information will be forwarded to the Manager re Duties when Canteen roster is finalized.
- u. All competitions except Zone League 1, Over 35's and Women's competitions are usually played on Friday night and Saturdays, but some Sunday or midweek fixtures may be held to fit in divisions that have a 10 team competition or if Saturday fixtures are cancelled due to weather.
- v. The Club is run on a voluntary basis – No Club Official, Coach or Manager is paid, however Game Leaders for Small sided games and Macquarie Soccer Referees and linesmen are paid each game and these fees are covered in the Registration Fees.
- w. Club source of Funds come from:
 - a. Canteen
 - b. Club Fees
 - c. Sponsorship
 - d. Trivia Night
 - e. Sale of Clothing
 - f. Special Fundraising projects (e.g. for Lights & equipment)

If anyone knows of a firm or individual who is interested in sponsorship please contact the Secretary so information can be forwarded to relevant person/firm.

- x. If you would like to become involved with the running of the Club there are positions available on the Board and sub-committees which need help from volunteers, it would be greatly appreciated. With the Clubhouse, maintenance on the grounds is now at a premium and we will be requiring extra volunteers for the grounds committee to get and keep the grounds in top condition. We would welcome any help or

suggestions, no matter how small. Please contact the Secretary if you require information or nomination forms.

- y. Finally make yourself known to Club Officials and other team's parents. Read a book on Football Rules, this will help you understand and enjoy the game.
- z. Our website is www.gardensuburbfc.com this site has all information and forms with regards to the Club.

If you have any problems (no matter how small) or suggestions, please speak to anyone on the Executive Board we are very approachable.

If you require any further information please don't hesitate in contacting:-

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