



Guidelines for Coaches

Coaching a team is a rewarding way to become involved in the club & enhance your child's enjoyment of football. The following points may help you in your role.

Coaching Courses

Details of the FFNT coaching and refereeing courses may be found listed under development. Mindil will pay the cost of the courses, both coaching & refereeing and encourages all coaches to ensure they are accredited this season.

Equipment

Mindil's equipment officer, Marc Johnston, will distribute equipment at the first training session, on Wednesday 28th February. Footballs, bibs, cones, agility poles, speed ladders, small goals, water coolers, first aid kits, sun shelters and a rebound net will all be available. If you require more equipment, please contact Marc on 0423 821914.

Coaching Tips

- Welcome new and returning players to the team and direct parents to Karen Dempsey or Stephen Walsh, the club registrars, who will be at the kiosk on Wednesdays. All players must complete a registration form prior to training, to ensure they are covered by accident insurance. Fees must be paid by Wednesday 18th March at the latest if they wish to play in the first round of matches.
- Your manager should maintain a list of players with dates of birth, contact phone numbers & email addresses. Let your manager inform players & parents of the venue & time of match at Wednesday night training. This may be done verbally or through a newsletter. Alternatively, encourage parents to check the draw after 12 noon each Wednesday, through the link on this web site, or by going directly to www.footballnt.com.au
- The team manager should fill in the match card, have the referee sign card & return to the kiosk. The U12 teams and older play in a league for points. If the team's match card is not completed, or not handed in to the kiosk, the team will lose points. Not surprisingly, players find this hard to accept!
Small sided games cards also need to be handed in. In the case of an accident involving a player, the match card is used by the insurance company to verify that the player was actually involved in play.
A note of the incident must be made on the match card. Claims need to be lodged within 28 days.
- Select recipient for the Best & Fairest Player following each match. Extra award certificates are available from Karen Buckley, 89451969 or buckleynt@bigpond.com while some teams like to make up their own certificate. There may also be medals or vouchers to give out as awards, again contact Karen Buckley. It is a good idea to have your manager keep a note of the recipient each week to ensure no player misses out all season.
- Help out at the kiosk when Mindil is Duty Club at Bagot, or find other parents to do so. If each team provides two parents to help set up the pitches, referee, or work in the canteen, the day runs very smoothly! The Duty Club days for Mindil Aces this year are to be arranged.