



Section 11. Finals and Presentation Events.

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11.1 FINALS

11.1.1 HOSTING

(1) The Finals will be hosted by each Club in turn as shown below.

2018	ELIMINATION QUALIFYING PRELIMINARY GRAND FINAL	FOREST RANGERS BUNINYONG VIC PARK BALLARAT
2019	ELIMINATION QUALIFYING PRELIMINARY GRAND FINAL	WARRNAMBOOL FOREST RANGERS BUNINYONG VIC PARK
2020	ELIMINATION QUALIFICATION PRELIMINARY GRAND FINAL	VIKINGS WARRNAMBOOL FOREST RANGERS BUNINYONG
2021	ELIMINATION QUALIFICATION PRELIMINARY GRAND FINAL	MARYBOROUGH VIKINGS WARRNAMBOOL FOREST RANGERS
2022	ELIMINATION QUALIFICATION PRELIMINARY GRAND FINAL	CRESWICK MARYBOROUGH VIKINGS WARRNAMBOOL
2023	ELIMINATION QUALIFYING PRELIMINARY GRAND FINAL	HORSHAM CRESWICK MARYBOROUGH VIKINGS

(2) The Association will seek confirmation from the nominated Clubs in June that they are willing to organise and host the finals.



11.1.2 VENUE

11.1.2.1 Elimination, Qualifying and Preliminary Finals

- (1) Venue/s to be selected and booked by the Association by end of September the previous year. The Association is responsible for the payment of the venue hire fee.
- (2) Host club to meet with BDSA two months before Finals.
- (3) The elimination and qualify finals will be played on two days over a single weekend.
- (4) Host Club is to:
 - A) Prepare two full size pitches for competitive games.
 - B) Provide the ground officials.
 - C) Staff the canteen.
- (5) The Association will appoint a Board member/s as Finals Coordinator, to act as a point of reference and decision maker if required.

11.1.2.2 Grand Final

- (1) Venue to be selected and booked by the Association by the 30th June. The Association is responsible for the payment of the venue hire fee.
- (2) Host Club to contact venue management four weeks prior to Grand Final.
- (3) Host Club to attend a compulsory meeting with the Association Executive two weeks prior to Grand Final.
- (4) Two portable toilets to be supplied were necessary by host Club at their expense.
- (5) The host Club is to organise the attendance of qualified first aiders.
 - A) The Association will be responsible for the payment of the first aiders.
 - B) The host Club is to provide reasonable food and drinks to the first aiders.
- (6) PA system to be supplied either by venue or the host Club.
- (7) If required the Host Club will mark out pitches. A set of goals are available from the Association.
- (8) Match day programs to be printed and paid for by host Club containing a Presidents' message from the Clubs competing in the Firsts' Grand Final.
- (9) Host Club to:
 - A) Provide the MC for the day.
 - B) Provide ground officials for all matches.
 - C) Provide ball people for all matches
 - D) Staff the gate.
 - E) Staff the canteen
 - F) Clean up as per Venue Policy



- (10) The Association will appoint a Board member as the Grand Final Coordinator, to act as a point of reference and decision maker if required.
- (11) Host Club is to ensure that the venue's rules associated with spectator access to playing surfaces are enforced.
- (12) Gate entry fees are given in Schedule 10 *Fees and Fines*. Each competing team will be provided with 20 entry passes for their players, coaches and officials. The Association will supply host Club with Club contacts for the distribution of player passes
- (13) The host Club is to:
 - A) Receive all taking from the gate.
 - B) Receive all taking from the canteen.
- (14) Host Club may run raffle on the day.
- (15) The Association will supply all trophies and medals for teams, players and referees.
- (16) Table to be provided for presentations at conclusions of games.
- (17) The host Club is to remove goals and all other equipment at the end of the evening.

11.1.3 MATCH OFFICIALS

- (1) Referees to be appointed and paid by the Association, see Section 9.4.3
- (2) Match balls
 - A) The host Clubs will supply the match balls for the Elimination, Qualifying and Preliminary Finals.
 - B) The Association will supply the match balls for the Grand Finals.

11.1.4 ORDER OF PROCEEDING

- (1) Match day programs to be printed and paid for by host Club containing a Presidents' message from the Clubs competing in the Firsts' Grand Final.

11.2 SEASON LAUNCH

11.2.1 HOSTING

- (1) The Association will conduct a Season Launch each year.
- (2) The season launch is to be held before the start of the season.
- (3) The Association will set the ticket price for the evening.

11.2.2 VENUE

- (1) The venue must:
 - A) Be within 10 kilometres of the centre of Ballarat.
 - B) Be able to seat 200 people at tables of 10 or greater.
 - C) Have an adequate public address system.
 - D) Have adequate multimedia presentation facilities.
 - E) Facilities to operate a bar.



11.2.3 ATTENDANCE

- (1) As alcohol is to be available, minors are NOT allowed to attend unless accompanied by a parent or guardian.
- (2) The Association's guests be:
 - A) Life Members and partners.
 - B) Tribunal members and their partners.
 - C) City of Ballarat Mayor.
 - D) President and partner of the Red Devils
- (3) Clubs that have Senior teams participating in the Association fixture must purchase tickets to the Presentation Night as follows:
 - A) For each eleven-a-side team a minimum of 5 tickets per team.
 - B) For each seven-a-side team a minimum of 3 tickets per team.
 - C) For Club committee a minimum of 5 tickets
- (4) The following are to be invited to attend at their own cost:
 - A) Referees
 - B) Association Board members.
 - C) Board members of the Red Devils
- (5) The Association will arrange and pay for a photographer to attend.

11.2.4 ORDER OF PROCEEDING

- (1) Association President will MC the evening.
- (2) The order of proceeding will be:
 - A) Presidents welcome
 - B) Introduce the following from each Club.
 - i) President
 - ii) Senior Coaches
 - iii) Captains of each senior team
 - C) Finger food will distributed during the evening.
 - D) Thank you

11.3 SENIOR PRESENTATION NIGHT

11.3.1 HOSTING

- (1) The Association will conduct a Senior Presentation Night each year.
- (2) The presentation night is to be held on the Friday evening before the Preliminary Final.
- (3) The Association will set the ticket price for the evening.

11.3.2 VENUE

- (1) The venue must:
 - A) Be within 10 kilometres of the centre of Ballarat.
 - B) Be able to seat 200 people at tables of 10 or greater, with sufficient room to serve a 2 course meal.
 - C) Have an adequate public address system.



- D) Have adequate multimedia presentation facilities.
- E) Facilities to operate a bar.
- F) Facilities to cater for a 2 course meal.

11.3.3 ATTENDANCE

- (1) As alcohol is to be available, minors are NOT allowed to attend unless accompanied by a parent or guardian.
- (2) The Association's guests be:
 - A) Life Members and partners.
 - B) The Anwyl Family.
 - C) De Jong family
 - D) Tribunal members.
 - E) City of Ballarat Mayor.
 - F) President and partner of the Red Devils
- (3) Clubs that have Senior teams participating in the Association fixture must purchase tickets to the Presentation Night as follows:
 - A) For each eleven-a-side team a minimum of 5 tickets per team.
 - B) For each seven-a-side team a minimum of 5 tickets per team.
- (4) The following are to be invited to attend at their own cost:
 - A) Referees
 - B) Association Board members.
 - C) Board members of the Red Devils
- (5) Dress code to be semi- formal.
- (6) The Association will arrange and pay for a photographer to attend.

11.3.4 ORDER OF PROCEEDING

- (1) Association President will MC the evening.
- (2) The Association will supply all pennants, trophies and medals for teams, players and referees.
- (3) The order of proceeding will be:
 - A) Presidents welcome
 - B) First Course
 - C) Presentation 1
 - i) League Champion for each Division, both Open and Female Only, from lowest division to Division 1.
 - ii) Best and Fairest medals for each Division, both Open and Female Only, from lowest division to Division 2.
 - D) Second Course
 - E) Presentation 2
 - i) Referee Best & Fairest - Bill de Jong Presentation
 - ii) Highest goal scorer for each Division, both Open and Female Only, from lowest division to Division 1.



- iii) Best and Fairest medals for Open and Female Only Division 1 competitions.
- F) Thank you

11.4 JUNIOR PRESENTATION NIGHT

11.4.1 HOSTING

- (1) The Junior Presentation Night will be hosted by the Association on the Wednesday prior to the Elimination and Qualification Finals.

11.4.2 VENUE

- (1) The Association will book the venue
- (2) The Association will organise and pay for the event catering.
- (3) The Association will arrange for the supply of all equipment for the evening

11.4.3 ATTENDANCE

- (1) The Association will invite:
 - A) Mrs Lola Pierce to present the Craig Pierce Perpetual award.
 - B) Life Members.
 - C) Referees
- (2) All junior teams are invited to attend.
- (3) The Association will arrange for a photographer to attend. The Association will pay for the photographer on the delivery of photographs.

11.4.4 ORDER OF PROCEEDING

- (1) Association President will MC the evening.
- (2) The Association will supply all pennants, trophies and medals for teams, players and referees.
- (3) The order proceedings will be:
 - A) League Champions – U12 to U17
 - B) Highest goal scorers – U12 to U17
 - C) Best and Fairest– U12 to U17
 - D) President's award for best Junior referee
 - E) Craig Pierce perpetual award

11.5 CHARITY SHIELD

- (1) The Association will endeavour to conduct a Charity Shield each season.
- (2) Money raised at the Charity Shield day will be donated to a charity.
- (3) Association All Star Teams
 - A) The coach of the previous League Champions will be offered the honour of coaching the Association All Star Team.
 - B) The appointed Coach will select an all Star Team at his/her discretion.



- C) The strips to be used by the All Star teams will be:
 - i) Shirt of League Champion
 - ii) Shorts and socks from the player's club, thus representing the separate clubs coming together into the All Star team.

11.6 VOTE COUNTING

11.6.1 PLAYER BEST AND FAIREST

- (1) A player who has been suspended for any reason during the season is ineligible to win a best and fairest award for that season.
- (2) If a player plays in more than one game in any round in the same division or age group in the competitive competition, the amount of votes awarded in each game will not aggregate, but rather the player will be counted as two or more separate players with the votes individually recorded.
- (3) The following system will be adopted for determining the winner all best and fairest awards.
 - A) This system has been adopted to ensure fairness and equity in determining the best and fairest player
 - B) The key reason for this method is to avoid situations where players are potentially disadvantaged because their team could not complete their fixture for reasons beyond their control.
- (4) Before the start of the count the Association will determine if players from any Club would be disadvantaged because the fixture did not include the same number of games from all teams in that division or age level.
- (5) If the above condition is met, the association will determine the number of games for each team and calculate the adjustment factor for that team using the following formula.

$$\text{Adjustment_Ratio} = \frac{\text{Maximum_number_of_games}}{\text{Actual_number_of_games}}$$

- A) This system could result in joint winners:
 - i) The player with the highest number of votes, and
 - ii) The player whose votes when multiplied by the *Adjustment Ratio* are greater than the highest number of votes awarded.
- B) For example, if the season consists of 18 games. Team A played all 18 games but Team B had a bye. Then Team B's adjustment ratio would be:

$$\text{Team_B_Adjustment_Ratio} = \frac{18}{17} = 1.059$$

If at the end of the vote counting the results were:

Player 1 from Team A	21 votes
Player 2 from Team B	20 votes



Player 1 and player 2 would be joint winners because:

Player 1 has 21 votes, and

Player 2 has his votes multiplied by the adjustment ratio giving him 21.18 votes.

$$\text{Player}_2 \text{ adjusted votes} = \text{Votes} \times \text{Adjustment}$$

$$\text{Ratio Player}_2 \text{ adjusted votes} = 20 \times 1.059 = 21.18$$

- (6) The votes will then be counted to determine the number of votes for each player.
- (7) Any adjustment ratios will be applied and the winner or winners will be either:
 - A) The player with the highest number of votes who has not been suspended during the season, or
 - B) The player the highest number of votes and the player with the highest number of adjusted votes greater than the highest number of votes received, who have not been suspended during the season.

11.6.2 REFEREE BEST AND FAIREST

- (1) Because of the restriction imposed on the appointment of referees to games, see Section 9.4.2, the referee best and fairest will be determined by the referee with the highest average votes awarded per game appointed.

$$\text{Average votes per game} = \frac{\text{Total votes}}{\text{Number of games}}$$

- (2) To be eligible to win the best and fairest a referee must referee a minimum of 3 games.
- (3) Before the start of the count the Association will determine the number of games each referee has been appointed to.
- (4) The votes will then be counted.
- (5) To determine the winner the votes awarded to each referee will be divided by the number of games that each referee was appointed to. The referee with the highest average score is then the winner.
- (6) For example,;
 - A) Referee 1 was appointed to 16 games, referee 2 – 17 games and referee 3 – 18 games.
 - B) The votes awarded to each referee during the season were, referee 1 – 34 votes, referee 2 – 37 votes, and referee 3 – 39 votes.
 - C) The average vote is:

$$\text{referee}_1 \text{ average vote} = \frac{\text{total votes}}{\text{number of games}} = \frac{34}{16} = 2.12$$

$$\text{referee}_2 \text{ average vote} = \frac{\text{total votes}}{\text{number of games}} = \frac{37}{17} = 2.18$$

$$\text{referee}_3 \text{ average vote} = \frac{\text{total votes}}{\text{number of games}} = \frac{39}{18} = 2.17$$



D) Thus referee 2 is the winner.

11.6.3 PRESENTATION EVENING COUNTING AND DISPLAY

- (1) All adjustment factors will be determined before the evening. See Section 11.6.1.
- (2) All votes will be entered into the computer before the evening and kept strictly confidential.
- (3) All voting slip will be available on the evening.
- (4) For player best and fairest:
 - A) The votes awarded will be displayed for each round and a running total provided after round 5, 10, 15, and at the conclusion of the count.
 - B) After the final round is displayed the final result will be displayed after applying the necessary adjustment factors.
- (5) For referee best and fairest the votes per round will NOT be displayed only the final result as per Section 11.6.2

11.6.4 HIGHEST GOAL SCORER

- (1) If a player plays more in than one game in any round in the same division or age group in the competitive competition, the number of goals scored in each game will not aggregate, but rather the player will be counted as two or more separate players with the goals individually recorded.

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