



# EASTERN SUBURBS FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION

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MEETING OF THE EASTERN SUBURBS FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION

**MENS COUNCIL MEETING**

**MONDAY 23<sup>rd</sup> MAY 2016**

Newmarket Hotel

**COMMENCING AT 7:45PM**

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## MINUTES

Meeting opened at 8:02pm

Attendance:

Andrew Jones (Coogee); Oliver Gee, John Sweeney (Dunbar); Mark Flior (Easts); Mark Wynyard (Heffron); John Djukanovic (Lokomotiv); James Mavroudis (Mascot); Lino Abruzzese (Pagewood); David Patch (Queens Park); Wally Holzer, Mick Holzer (Redfern Raiders); Marty Misomilves (South East Eagles); Rob Anderson (Sydney Uni); Amy Singh (Women's Council Chair); Adam Gwynne (Men's Council Chair); Caroline Oaks-Ash (Referees Coordinator); Adrian Larson (Competitions Coordinator).

Agenda

1. Introduction
2. Outstanding games
3. Club feedback
4. Other business

### Apologies

Jaleh Shafie (Seniors Director of Football)

### 1. Introduction

Adam Gwynne opened in Chair.

Forfeit fines are now in place, and can be found in the ESFA library under 'Rules and By laws – Schedule G; Schedule of Fees 2016'.

## **2. Outstanding games**

We've had very little rain in the first half of the season, which has resulted in a small amount of outstanding games. A handout of all outstanding games was issued to club delegates.

Clubs were advised to get in touch with their opposition and Adrian to reschedule a new fixture.

## **3. Club feedback**

O45 Championship

-Redfern & Pagewood were not aware that the competition would not split.

Clubs in attendance agreed with the split. An email to all clubs in O45's will be sent out, with confirmation from Maroubra & Maccabi required.

The SFMC will ultimately make the final decision by Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> May.

Wally complained about not being able to move a fixture within 7 days of a fixture without opposition approval. He was advised that the rules have been agreed upon by clubs, and should he wish to change the rules, to put it forward to the FMC at the post season council meeting for consideration.

Dunbar 035's have received a lot of forfeits, will the oppositions be fined?

-Only those fixtures effected after the competition rules were cleared by the board will be fined

8 team competitions will split after 14 rounds, followed by 3 seeded matches. A 5 team, 4 week final series will begin 14<sup>th</sup> August. All relevant clubs will be notified of the details via email.

Referee availability

-Some teams have not had as much referee coverage as they would like

-Need to recruit and retain more referees

-Referee abuse etc. is still an issue at games. Clubs need to help improve the sometimes poor attitude towards referees, this can be done by educating players, coaches and spectators on rules, promoting respect for others, RTO's enforcing the management of trouble makers, and understanding that a decision made by a referee is final (whether it is right or wrong in the individuals mind).

-Club's may need to provide a minimum amount of referees to be trained and used for ESFA fixtures next year (please see changes to Women's minutes)

## **4. Other business**

Queen Park advised that Heffron 55 is no longer in use. Fixtures have been moved, and all clubs effected have been notified.

East's advised that Queens Park 1 & 2 are closed from 1<sup>st</sup> August, ESFA will schedule games around this, accordingly.

Meeting closed at 8:33pm