



2012 Football Grading and Team Formation Information

SSF - Small Sided Football

This season we will again be running Small Sided Football (SSF) which has an emphasis on developing individual and team skills, and most importantly HAVING FUN. This format has been well received in previous years and we are confident it will be even more successful in 2012. As these are non-competition games, there is no formal grading of players. We will hold a **Formation Day** on Saturday February 18th for players to form teams with their friends and for new members to be introduced into a team.

The SSF season/trial matches kicks off on Saturday March 17th.

Formation Day Schedule Saturday 18th February & Season 2012 SSF Information			
Age Group	Formation Day Time	Players Numbers per Team	Game Venue Details
Under 5	12:00pm	Up to 7 players per team, including substitutions.	In House, plus away Gala Days .
Under 6	1:00pm	Up to 7 players per team, including substitutions.	In House, plus away Gala Days .
Under 7	2:00pm	Up to 7 players per team, including substitutions.	In House, plus away Gala Days .
Under 8	2:30pm	Up to 10 players per team, including substitutions.	Home/Away Schedule
Under 9	3:00pm	Up to 10 players per team, including substitutions.	Home/Away Schedule
Under 10	See grading details	Up to 12 players per team, including substitutions.	Home/Away Schedule

To assist with Formation Day, Coaches/Managers may submit their team nomination lists prior to Formation Day via email only to SSF Coordinator at ssf@springwoodunited.com.au

Please note that there will be GALA DAYS in U5, U6 and U7 age groups. Attendance is not optional, it is part of the N.D.S.F.A regulations and a condition of the SUFC Constitution.

Grassroots Coaching Courses

A one night "grassroots" coaching course for U5 - U10 coaches and any other interested coaches will be scheduled at Summerhayes Park. Contact Chris Gilchrist a football@springwoodunited.com.au for more details or to book your place.

Coaches and Managers Needed – all age groups

Teams need coaches and managers. If you wish to assist by coaching or managing your child's team, or any other team, please contact Chris Zaccazan (Grading Coordinator) or Chris Gilchrist (President). Coaches also apply online at <http://www.myfootballclub.com.au/index.php?id=43>

Without a coach and manager, teams will not be able to participate in the NDSFA competition.

Coaching a team is a very rewarding experience and the club will provide assistance for those with limited experience and who are willing to help.

Training Times

Coaches/Managers wishing to book training times must do so by email only via Ian Strudwick at compsec@springwoodunited.com.au Training allocations commence on the hour only, not on 1/4 or 1/2hr intervals.

Due to ground management and field preservation, only 1 training session per week will be allocated to teams until further review by the club. This applies to all age groups and all divisions.

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NDSFA Competition Teams

The NDSFA competition starts the weekend of March 31st/April 1st. Trial matches start March 17th/18th.

Please note competition rounds may be played on weekends during the April School Holidays.

Please note competition rounds may be played on the Sat/Sun of the Queens Birthday long weekend.

Please note competition rounds may be played on the weekends during the July School Holidays.

A Competition Calendar will be made available once released by N.D.S.F.A.

For U11 - U18 players in NDSFA competitive teams and U10 SSF, we have adopted a formal grading policy and procedures to help make the process as stress-free as possible.

The Grading of young players is seen as an important step in their football development, and their ultimate enjoyment of the game.

Grading of players will:

- arrange players of similar skill level into appropriate teams
- define teams into the Division according to player strength (in accordance with NDSFA guidelines and directions)
- enhance players enjoyment of the game (have fun)
- challenge their ability, and
- provide opportunity for the club to scrutinize coaching techniques.

Full details of the policy are on the Club website (www.springwoodunited.com.au), but here are the key points:

1. Grading will be held over 2-3 consecutive sessions commencing the week of February 6th (see next page for details). This may change for individual teams subject to the number of players registered in each age group.
2. If any scheduled grading is lost due to weather it will be rescheduled and changes posted on the website.
3. Grading of players will be based on individual skills, teamwork, participation, attitude, and team balance.
4. Players wishing to play with a friend, or in a specific team **MUST** make this request by email to the Grading Coordinator (grading@springwoodunited.com.au) **PRIOR** to the commencement of grading. While the Club will endeavor to accommodate such requests, this cannot be guaranteed.
5. For insurance purposes, only players registered and who have paid registration fees for the 2012 season can participate in grading.
6. Placement of players in teams is not finalized until trial matches are completed. Teams announced at completion of grading are preliminary only.

Division 1 & Goalkeeper Grading

Division 1 and Goalkeeper grading will be held separately from other divisions in the U10 – U15 age groups. Please see schedule on next page for details.

Any players, regardless of previous year's division, wishing to be considered for Div. 1 must attend all Div. 1 grading sessions. While this applies to all players with Div. 1 aspirations, the Grading Committee may consider exceptions for players who qualify for Div. 1 based on last year's team results, **and** where there are extenuating circumstances.

Goalkeepers from all divisions are encouraged to attend Div .1 grading.

Any players that are unsuccessful at Div. 1 grading **MUST** also turn up to the subsequent grading sessions for other divisions to be placed into a team.

We wish you an enjoyable and successful season.

Chris Gilchrist

President of Grass Roots Football

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2012 Grading Schedule

Please ensure all players bring a bottle of water/fluids to grading.

Please bring a ball to grading, the club will have plenty of balls available for grading.

All players should be reminded that disruptive behavior at grading will effect a player's placement in a team.

All players to meet at top of Field 2 steps 15 minutes before grading start time.

Team	Grading Coordinator	Contact Phone Number	Grading Time
Grading Committee	Chris Zaccazan	0419 266 160	
	Andrew Harrop	0409 048 788	
	Chris Bird	0438 196 989	
	Danni Hancock	0414 186 858	
U10 Div 1 + All Goal Keepers	Mark Cotter	0414 690 991	Due to wet weather please check website regularly for updates
U10 other divisions	Mark Cotter	0414 690 991	Due to wet weather please check website regularly for updates
U11 Div 1 + All Goal Keepers	Ian Hill	0413 046 302	Due to wet weather please check website regularly for updates
U11 other divisions	Ian Hill	0413 046 302	Due to wet weather please check website regularly for updates
U12 Div 1 + All Goal Keepers	Graeme Ellis	0432 696 494	Due to wet weather please check website regularly for updates
U12 other divisions	Graeme Ellis	0432 696 494	Due to wet weather please check website regularly for updates
U13 Div 1 + All Goal Keepers	Scott Saunders	0414 195 731	Due to wet weather please check website regularly for updates
U13 other divisions	Scott Saunders	0414 195 731	Due to wet weather please check website regularly for updates
U14 Div 1 & All Goal Keepers	Ian Strudwick	0447 267 097	Due to wet weather please check website regularly for updates
U14 other divisions	Ian Strudwick	0447 267 097	Due to wet weather please check website regularly for updates
U15 Div 1 & All Goal Keepers	Ian Strudwick	0447 267 097	Due to wet weather please check website regularly for updates
U15 other divisions	Wayne Maloney	0409 908 204	Due to wet weather please check website regularly for updates
U16 all divisions	Craig Adams	0414 542 435	Due to wet weather please check website regularly for updates
U17 all divisions	Craig Adams	0414 542 435	Due to wet weather please check website regularly for updates
U18 all divisions	Michael Robson	0407 914 102	Due to wet weather please check website regularly for updates
U10 Girls	Chris Gilchrist	0427 970 978	Mon (5:30pm – 6:30pm) 13 th February
U12 Girls	Chris Gilchrist	0427 970 978	Mon (5:30pm – 6:30pm) 13 th February
U14 Girls	Steven Nicholson	0414 250 808	Team finalized, please contact Steven Nicholson.
U16 Girls	Steve Jones	0439 401 910	Wed (6:30pm – 8:00pm) 8 th & 15 th February
U18Girls/U22 Ladies AA Ladies Div 1	Chris Gilchrist	0427 970 978	Fri (7:30pm – 9:00pm) 17 th & 24 th February

Chris Zaccazan
Grading Coordinator