

## Parent & Player Information Kit - Season 2021

Welcome to Connells Point Rovers Football Club (CPRFC) for the 2021 season.

Season 2020 proved to be another successful year for our club where we had secured premierships for multiple teams across female and male age categories.

The club moved into a new phase of growth in 2020 with the completion and first use of the new synthetic fields and a modern clubhouse amenity.

This was exciting and will continue to allow a greater parent and player experience for CPRFC and the wider football community.

## Aim of this document

This document has information that you will need to refer to until teams are formed and coaches and managers are appointed. Please read it carefully and if you require more information or need an explanation on any matter, contact the relevant committee member listed below or refer to the club website at <a href="http://www.connellspointrovers.com.au">http://www.connellspointrovers.com.au</a>

#### Volunteers

Connells Point Rovers FC is the largest and one of the most successful soccer clubs in the St George Area. It is also run exclusively by volunteers. Committee Members, Coaches and Managers do not get paid. Therefore your assistance is invaluable in ensuring that your child receives a quality experience. We would welcome and encourage new volunteers into the club and the executive committee to enable further advancement and development of the club. Please contact the President or any other member of the club committee if you would like to assist.

## **Registration Fees**

Nearly all of the club's revenue is used to improve player participation and enjoyment of the game. The club is managed transparently via monthly meetings and complete financial information is disclosed within the Annual General Meetings Reports which are available in the "Library" Section of the website.

The player registration fee is payable in full upon registration and is used for registering players with Football St. George (FSG), player insurance, match fees, referee fees, playing attire, training and player equipment, ground hire and other administrative costs. The Club budgets for a small surplus each year so as to ensure the long term improvements to the grounds and amenities.

Registration Fees for 2021 are as per prices in the MyFootball registration Website.

Your 3rd child's registration will receive a discount. Pls email the CPRFC Treasurer (treasurer@connellspointrovers.com.au) for further details.

All registrations for 2021 will be online only, similar to 2020. Players re-registering will be sent an email.

New players need to register through the MyFootball website (https://www.playfootball.com.au/register).

Please see the list of contacts on our website if you need help with your registration - instructions on registering will also be included on the email sent to existing players of CPRFC.

Note: We have a "No Refund Policy" once the official season is underway, as there are costs to be paid upfront (by our club) to the statutory bodies and the suppliers of the club playing gear. We can seek no refund of fees paid out and 2nd hand uniforms are useless to us under our Gear model.

## Information Nights

Given that all registrations are to be completed online, we will be holding Season Information Evenings in March, the dates of which are still to be announced. Please keep an eye on our website for further details.

### Referee Fees

Teams will still be required to pay referee fees and these amounts will be collected by your team manager from the CPRFC Treasurer during the season at the predetermined Coach and Manager meetings.

## **Team Grading Days**

- Location Team gradings will take place at our home ground which is located at Poulton Park, or other allocated grounds assigned by FSG.
- Date These grading days will be held in February 2020.
   You will be notified of the time, dates and location of the trials for each age group by early February.
- Requirement Players must wear SHIN PADS and FOOTBALL BOOTS AND BRING A DRINK
  BOTTLE to the grading days. If players do not come with these items, they will not be able to
  participate due to risk of injury. So please do not be disappointed and come prepared. It is advisable
  to bring a hat.

Parents/Guardians are reminded that at least one adult per child MUST be in attendance during your child's grading as you will be addressed by a member of the CPRFC Committee on the upcoming season. We will also be asking parents to nominate for coaching and managing roles for their child's team, if there is not one appointed already.

Allocation of ALL players into a team of an appropriate level is an important policy of the CPRFC and is done to ensure the enjoyment of all players.

Under 6 players are split to ensure each team has an even share of naturally talented players. Due to the 'grading system' implemented by FSG, grading into appropriate levels commences at U7's, however any U7 and U8 or U9's teams wishing to stay together as a team will not be discouraged from doing so.

If you are unable to attend the allocated session time, please contact the relevant coordinator (listed in the club contacts) prior to your grading day. Grading needs to be completed by late February so that teams can start to train together prior to season commencement. Teams need to be submitted to the FSG by late February.

# Compulsory Registered Team Officials (RTO's) Meeting - ALL Coaches and Managers MUST ATTEND

All coaches and managers are required to attend compulsory team officials meeting held at a location TBD. This meeting will provide all of the information that coaches and managers will need throughout the year, including FSG Rules and the RTO Handbook.

All adults (over the age of 18) must be Registered as Team officials if they wish to be involved in any way on game days or at training session due to child protection laws.

All RTOs will need to apply online for a Working With Children Check (WWCC). https://www.service.nsw.gov.au/transaction/apply-working-children-check

This WWCC detail will need to be entered when registering online as an RTO at My Football website.

## **Additional Coaches Information Meetings**

There will be additional Coaches and managers meetings required in season 2021 - as notified during the season.

## **Training Sessions**

Training times are set by your coach and manager in consultation with the Grounds Coordinator whose job is to spread the training sessions over the available nights and locations.

#### **Trial Games**

Friendly games are being arranged against other clubs and are planned to be held on each weekends of March. Coaches will be advised of times and venues for trial games as soon as they have been organised with participating clubs and details will also be posted to our website

#### The Football Season

The Football season will commence in April 2020. The season comes to a conclusion during the month of August or early September depending on the final draw and scheduling of the whether teams reach the finals series. The draw will be available through the Club website <a href="https://www.connellspointrovers.com.au">www.connellspointrovers.com.au</a>

#### Communication

There are several avenues of communication from the CPRFC Committee to the Players/Parents, Coaches and managers

- 1. *Monthly Meetings* These take place on the 1st Thursday of each month at the CPRFC Club Room, Poulton Park, South Hurstville at 7:30pm
- 2. Website The website is continually updated with important information and all parents are encouraged to visit this site several times per week from registration through to September so that they stay up to date with all relevant information
- 3. "TeamApp" Mobile Phone App If you have not downloaded this as yet, please do so as early as possible as this will allow us to improve communications between the club and its members as well as allow a more seamless communication between players, parents, coaches and managers.

  Please click here to download the app.

We are continually trying to improve our communication channels and will have some additions to the above list in the near future. You will be further updated of these additions via our Website.

#### Club Contacts - 2021

All current contacts can be found at:

https://www.connellspointrovers.com.au/contact-us

#### Insurance

Injuries to players at games are covered by the Football NSW Insurance Policy. Injuries must be reported to the Club Secretary as soon as possible & claims will need to be submitted online.

NOTE: RTO's should ensure that the referee record any injury occurring during a match on the match sheet at the conclusion of the game.

Further information can be found at:

https://footballnsw.com.au/insurance-information/

#### Codes of Conduct

Football NSW and SGFA stress the need for appropriate behaviour by Players, Coaches and Parents. Please be conscious of this as any adverse behaviour will not be tolerated. Please refer to "Codes of Behaviour" provided within the RTO Handbook and available on the website, which outlines the expectations of all when representing our club.

IMPORTANT NOTE: Parents MUST NOT enter the field of play under any circumstances (CPRFC will be fined \$500 for every infringement to this rule by the FSG, and the club may pass this amount on to an offending person). Coaches/Managers may enter the field of play ONLY after being signaled to do so by the referee.

Further details can be found at:

https://footballnsw.com.au/

https://footballstgeorge.com.au/

## Social Media Policy

Please note that all CPRFC parents and players are subject to the Social Media Policy as detailed at:

https://footballnsw.com.au/media/social-media-policy/

https://footballstgeorge.com.au/

## **Child Protection Policy**

NSW Child Protection laws govern the conduct of the club including parents, coaches and managers, towards our members, members of other clubs and most importantly the Children.

These laws apply in conjunction with our own code of conduct. Our club will do everything possible to ensure we adhere to these laws. Further information is available on the Football NSW website at <a href="https://www.footballnsw.com.au">www.footballnsw.com.au</a> and click on the link to child protection.

We are providing a service for children to enjoy sport, and therefore their protection will always be our first concern.

Further details can be found at:

https://footballnsw.com.au/

https://footballstgeorge.com.au/

## **Uniform and Equipment**

The Coaches and Managers will distribute the strip as soon as it becomes available.

Note to Coaches and Managers: If you have not returned your team kit from season 2020, please return them as soon as possible.

**Our Sponsors -** We would like to thank our Sponsors who without their support the club could not move forward:





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## **Privacy of Personal Information**

CPRFC is committed to the responsible use of personal information collected from and about Players or RTO's during the registration process.

The responsible use of information requires that CPRFC respect individual privacy, protect against identity theft and any unauthorised uses and comply fully with all laws and government regulations in the collection, use, storage, display, distribution and disposal of such information.

Authorised uses of personal information within CPRFC are limited to those related to communication about the club, its events and other relevant information. A list of the parties who will have access to your information is available upon request. Information will only be made available to the following people:

- Coaches and managers will have access to the contact details of the players and parents of the team which they run only.
- Age Co-Ordinators will have access to the information of all players/ parents within the age groups that they are responsible for.
- The CPRFC Website Controller will have access for the purposes of CPRFC communication only.
   This may occasionally include information on behalf of our sponsors. At no time will sponsors have access directly to the CPRFC database.
- CPRFC Committee will have access to the information for communication purposes and administrative requirements.

Should anyone have any objections to the above use of information, then please address this with one of the committee members as soon as possible.

The signing of registration paperwork by a parent or an individual over 18 will be used by the club as acceptance of the privacy policy, this is in lieu of yet another piece of paper to sign.

Finally, we hope that you enjoy Season 2021 with us and we look forward to sharing the experience with you.

Kind Regards,

Lance Condon

on behalf of the Executive Committee Connells Point Rovers FC