# 2022 PSSA FOOTBALL

Welcome to the 2022 Blacktown PSSA football competition
The competition convener is - Shawn Parsonage (Shelley PS)

# Junior Football (1 team1 per school)

- 1 modified field
- Scores recorded
- Points table kept
- Semi Finals and Grand Finals played

(They are some changes to the junior competition this year - see below)

# Senior - Full Field

- Scores recorded
- Points table kept
- Semi Finals and Grand Finals played

Please be sure you are aware of the slightly different rules and organisation for Juniors as opposed to the traditional rules for Seniors.

## **IMPORTANT STARTING NOTE**

It is essential that each teacher knows and understands the competition format and rules. Please read all of the information to ensure you are aware of the specific rules, the equipment required each week, the venue and opposition each week, and that results are submitted on the day - clearly indicating teams and scores.

If you are unsure of something, please get in contact Shawn (Shelley PS) ASAP.

**Communication -** will be via email. It is important that you check your email weekly for any correspondence.

**Results** - must be given to the convenor each week, before leaving the venue. In the event this does not happen, please ensure that match scores are emailed to the convener by 3pm Friday.

# **General Information**

#### **VENUES**

Our senior and junior competition will be played at two venues this year: <u>Harvey Park</u> and <u>Morgan Power Reserve</u>.

#### **SAFETY**

All players **MUST** wear shin pads and socks that cover their shin pads. Players not complying with this rule must not be permitted to take part in the game. It is recommended that <u>ALL</u> players wear boots when playing but it is not essential. **Metal studs are NOT allowed.** 

#### REFEREEING

For both **Junior** and **Seniors** matches, the refereeing is to be shared between the two teachers. The teacher refereeing is responsible for timekeeping.

#### **EQUIPMENT**

Each school needs to bring at least one (1) Sz 4 ball, 30 markers and 1 sets of portable goals (SKLZ Quickster Soccer Goals 12"x6"), as specified by the PSSA. Ideally these should also be pegged into the ground.

# **IMPORTANT!**

- Each school will have one (1) Junior and one (1) Senior team.
- **Juniors** will play on a modified field and use the SKLZ Goals.
- Each Junior team will have seven (9) players, one (1) of which is a goalkeeper.

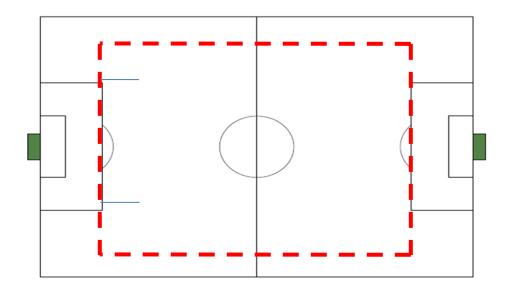
# **Field Diagrams**

# **JUNIORS**

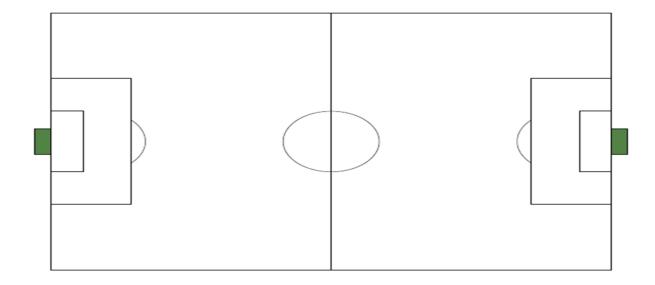
Dimensions: 70m x 50m

From the Top of the 18-yard box at each end.

Penalty area: 10m long,



# **SENIORS**



# **Semi Final & Grand Final**

- All Semi Finals will be held at Harvey Park.
- **JUNIORS** Semi-Finals winners progress to the GF.

<u>Juniors</u>		
<u> Ѕемі</u>	FIELD 1	FIELD 2
<u>FINALS</u>	1 <sup>st</sup> v 4 <sup>th</sup>	2 <sup>nd v</sup> 3 <sup>rd</sup>

**SENIORS** Winners of the Semi Finals will progress to the Grand Final.

<u>Seniors</u>		
SEMI	FIELD 1	FIELD 2
FINALS	1 <sup>st</sup> v 4 <sup>th</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup> v 3 <sup>rd</sup>

- In the event of a <u>tied Grand Final</u> there will be 5min (each way) Extra Time. If the scores are still tied, the two teams will be recognised as joint premiers.

## **WASHOUTS**

If there is a washout, the draw will continue the following week with the next round on the draw.

#### **RESULTS**

- All results must be given to the ground convener before leaving the venue.

  Results need to go to: Shawn Parsonage (Shelley PS)
  - If this is not possible, then results need to be emailed as an
  - If this is not possible, then results need to be emailed asap.
- Results not received by 3pm Monday will not be considered, if any discrepancies arise as per Blacktown PSSA Constitution
- A table will be sent out to all coaches after every completed round, and posted on the PSSA website.

#### RUBBISH

All participating schools are responsible for ensuring that are clean at the completion of each game. Non-compliance could see us being barred from using the fields.

Above all, please enjoy the football and encourage our students to have an enjoyable experience.

# Shawn Parsonage (Shelley PS)

Football Convener 2022

## JUNIOR COMPETITION - SPECIFIC RULES

- 2-3 min break
- € Children must turn 8, 9 or 10 this year. Students turning 11 are seniors.
- Offside: There is NO offside for the junior competition.

  What we do want to promote food sportsmanship and fair play. Please discourage students from standing blatantly offside wherever possible.

  (eg. way up-field, next to the opposition goalkeeper etc)
- **Throw-Ins:** We will be reintroducing throw-ins.
  - Player faces the field of play, has part of each foot on the ground either on or behind the touch line, uses both hands and delivers the ball from behind and over his or her head. **The thrower must not touch the ball again until it has touched another player.** Opponents must be at least 5 metres away from the ball until it is in play.
- ♠ All other rules are normal international FIFA rules.

## FIELD SET-UP

- Goals are to be set up using 2 portable goals, as specified by the Blacktown PSSA.
- ★ The goals are the SKLZ Quickster Soccer Goals 3.6m x 1.8m in size.

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# SENIOR COMPETITION - SPECIFIC RULES

- Each school is to have one (1) Senior team.
- Seniors will play on a standard full-size field.
- Each Senior team will have eleven (11) players, one (1) of which is a goalkeeper.
- Senior teams will play one game, 20min halves + 4-5 min halftime
- Games to begin by 12:00pm and finish at 12.45pm
- Student to be open age (11-13yr olds). Juniors may play up as a substitute player if required because the senior team on short on players.
- There are OFFSIDES. Please teach your players this rule to lessen confusion.
- There are THROW-INS. See General Rules below.

# **GENERAL RULES**

1. ALL GAMES MUST BE PLAYED WITH A SIZE 4 BALL.

## 2. DURATION OF GAMES

- Juniors: 15min games (no half time)

- Seniors: 20mins halves

There is NO injury time/ time added on. Please calculate/adjust match time as necessary, so you finish on time, buses are required to leave by 12.45pm

**3.** Normal international FIFA rules (seniors).

## 4. PLAYER'S EQUIPMENT

Please ensure <u>all</u> players are wearing shin pads. No shin pads - no play!

### **Don't Allow**

- a. Rugby studs (too small & sharp, must be as big as a 5-cent coin)
- b. Sharp studs
- c. Watches, jewellery, rings etc. (these are dangerous)
- d. Goalkeeper to wear the same colours as the opposition
- e. Blood on field (injured player to be treated)

#### Do Allow

- a. Injured players to be replaced while they recover.
- b. Runners/Trainers, (though these are not desirable) at player's own risk.

#### 5. REFEREING

Each teacher is required to officiate for 2 **Junior** games and 1 half of the senior game, unless otherwise agreed to by both coaches. (Parents **cannot** referee PSSA matches, unless certification is confirmed by the convener)

**6.** ANY tackling from behind or in a dangerous manner should be dealt with by penalising. For a repeat offence, the player is to be replaced or given a 10min 'time out'.

# 7. Please <u>Discourage</u> when refereeing:

- a) Wild high kicking
- b) Back chatting from players
- c) Loudly abusive spectators
- d) Spectators behind goals / on middle sideline
- e) Deliberate fouls that prevent goals (issue a caution, and a penalty kick)

If in the opinion of the referee, the act was malicious, or deliberately aggressive, a send-off can be issued. Any 'send-off' <u>must</u> be reported to the convener on the day.

**8.** Dissent and foul language should be dealt with in the same fashion as dangerous tackling.

## 9. FREE KICKS

Free kicks are to be direct free kicks (goal can be scored without touching another player). The only exception to this ruling is a penalty for a back pass to the goalkeeper (see rule 5).

## 10. BACKPASS.

A back-pass to the goalkeeper is when a player deliberately passes the ball back to his/her own goalkeeper with their feet and the goalkeeper then **picks the ball up**. However, the ball can be passed back with the head or it can be deflected to the goalkeeper. If this occurs an indirect penalty is awarded from where the ball was picked up.

## 11. GOAL KICKS

A goal kick is awarded when the attacking team last touches the ball before it travels over the backline. These are taken on the ground, anywhere inside Goal Box for Juniors, and in line with Penalty Spot for Seniors.

#### 12. OFFSIDE

**Seniors**: Offside is judged when the ball is first played by an attacker. Another attacker is offside, at the moment, if (s)he is closer to the goal line that (s)he is attacking, than 2 defenders.

If a student is in an offside position, but not involved in the play, please direct them to return to an onside position in the first instance, before awarding a free kick.

**N.B. IN LINE IS NOT OFFSIDE** (as a number of our students do not play outside of school, give benefit of the doubt to attacking team).

**Juniors**: There is **NO** offside.

## 13. DIRECT FREE KICKS OR PENALTY (if in penalty area) for:

- a) kicking opponent
- b) tripping
- c) jumping at
- d) charging dangerously or from behind
- e) striking or spitting at an opponent
- f) holding, pushing an opponent
- g) deliberately handling ball (up to shoulder)

<sup>\*\*\*</sup>Again please use your common sense in determining **deliberate** or **accidental** fouls. Not all students play on the weekend or are of a proficient skill level.\*\*\*

# 14. INDIRECT FREE KICKS (no goal unless touched by another player)

# NB. Referee should hold up arm until ball touches another player

- a) Dangerous play
- b) Charging fairly when not within playing distance of ball
- c) Obstructing an opponent
- d) Charging goalie
- e) Goalie takes more than 6 seconds to release the ball (approx.)
- f) Offside
- g) Back-pass

## 15. THROW-INS

**Juniors**: Player faces the field of play, has part of each foot on the ground either on or behind the touch line, uses both hands and delivers the ball from behind and over his or her head. The thrower must not touch the ball again until it has touched another player. Opponents must be at least 5 metres away from the ball until it is in play.

**Seniors** - must be taken with two feet on the ground; sliding/dragging of the back foot is allowed as long as it does not leave the ground. No player can jump as this is an incorrect throw-in. The ball must leave the players hands with both hands at the back of the ball and in the direction the body of the thrower is facing. If a throw is incorrect, issue a caution, then any foul throw after this will result in possession being given to the opposing team.

### 16. Corners

To be taken on the goal line, halfway between the penalty area & corner junction.

17. Points - (Win – 4 points, Draw – 2 points, Loss 0 points, Bye – 4 points)

Schools who receive a forfeit receive 4 points and +3 goal difference, and similarly schools who forfeit receive 0 points and -3 goal differential.



Wherever possible please encourage an enjoyment of the game over winning.

Allow students to improve their skills as an individual and team player, in a positive environment.

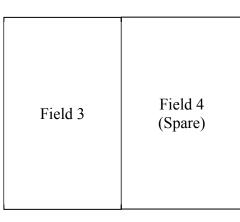
# **Morgan Power Reserve MAP**



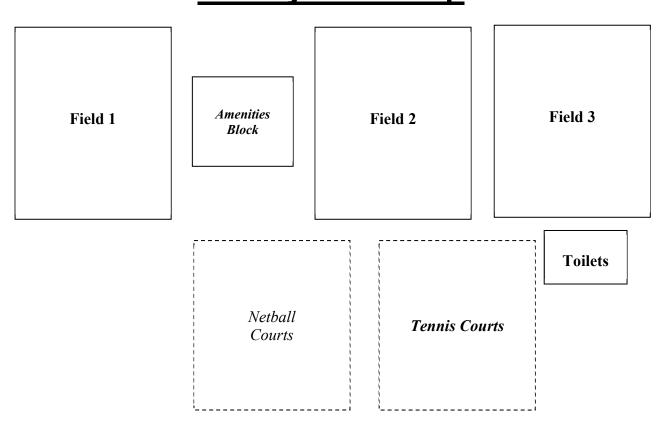
Field 1

Field 2

Carpark



# **Harvey Park Map**



# **Blacktown PSSA Football 2022**

Convener: Shawn Parsonage – Shelley PS

**Venues**: Harvey Park & Morgan Power Reserve (Be sure to check your ground number each week)

## **TEAMS**

1	Barnier
2	Marayong Heights
3	Shelley
4	Hambledon (Red)
5	Marayong South
6	Hambledon (Black)
7	William Dean
8	Marayong
9	Walters Road
10	Blacktown South
11	Quakers Hill
12	BYE

All results, queries and correspondence regarding the football competition can be made to:

# **Shawn Parsonage**

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