



e-newsletter

February 2014

Welcome to the February edition of North Coast Football's monthly e-newsletter. February is traditionally one of the busiest months of the year for our clubs with registrations, kit distribution and the introduction of new coaches to even newer players. And with the State Cup underway this week, the off season has come to an sudden end. Here's what making news around North Coast Football Zone.



Five NCF teams through to round 2 of Northern NSW State Cup?

Congratulations to all nine NCF teams who participated in Northern NSW State Cup on the weekend. Cool conditions Saturday, stifling heat Sunday, but that's the luck of the draw.

Coffs City Utd **2** (7 pen) - Coffs Coast Tigers **2** (6 pen)

Urunga Raiders **8** - Tuncurry Forster **1**

Nambucca Strikers **1** - Casino Cobras **3**

Boambee **2** (2 pen) - Maclean Bobcats **2** (1 pen)

Westlawn Tigers **4** - East Armidale **1**



Maclean's Aaron Bylos attempts a spectacular overhead volley.

The result was not as spectacular!

The draw for the second round was done earlier this week, but venues & times will not be available until early next week. Check the NCF website for details.

Follow us on Twitter for up to date results [@nthcoastfball](#), or keep an eye on the NCF [Facebook](#) page.



Best of luck to NCF teams!

North Coast Football representative teams get their first hit out this weekend in the SAP & GT Country Gala Day in Coffs Harbour.

For these players, aged 10 to 14, this will be the biggest event of the year. They will square off against competitors from other zones in Northern NSW, plus the Emerging Jets from Newcastle.



Around 400 players will be at the tournament over the two days. Understandably, the players are both excited and nervous, as are their coaches and parents.

We wish all players an enjoyable & safe weekend of football.

North Coast Football reaches out to refugee community



Recently, NCF Marketing Manager, Terry Allen, attended an open day for people from diverse cultural or language backgrounds. The event was called *Party in the Park* & was organised by Headspace, among others. It was a great opportunity to have a kick around with teenage refugees in the Coffs Harbour area. Pictured left, Terry is getting skinned by Robert, a 16 year old refugee from Congo.

In 2014 North Coast Football will offer Girls Only Small-Sided Football starting at under 6's. Never before have we been in a position to consider such a move, but there is a feeling that more young girls would play if they could begin in a girls only team. Obviously, it won't become a reality unless there are enough numbers to make a viable competition, but this year it will be made available for the first time, so make sure your club spreads the word. For further details go to the [Northern NSW website](#).



Team nominations close this month

This weekend marks the end of club registration/information days. It has been a busy month for everyone and the work is only beginning.

Don't forget, team nominations close at the end of this month.



Cinema under the stars is back!

And this time, we really are expecting "stars" to be above us & not rain clouds.

Grafton – Friday March 7th
Coffs Harbour – Saturday March 8th

Please come and support this event.

Every now & then, a player is remembered, not for the many good things they did, but for the mistakes. Sometimes, just one mistake.

Such a scenario haunted England goalkeeper Bert Williams who, famously, conceded the goal which saw part-timers



Bert Williams 1920-2014

USA defeat England 1-0 at the World Cup finals of 1950.

But Williams deserves to be remembered for more than that game. He is [here](#).

Dates for your diary

Start of 2014 competition – March 29-30th

2014 Grand Finals – September 5-7th

Zone Championships – September 13th

Are you interested in increasing your knowledge and qualifications as a coach? Book now for the upcoming NCF coaching courses.

NCF has just updated its list of available coaching courses, times & venues.

Details [here](#).

To book, contact Garry McGinnis at coaching@northcoastfootball.com.au.



36th CHALLENGE CUP

14th, 15th & 16th March 2014

www.nambuccastrikers.com

The Nambucca Strikers club is once again hosting its Challenge Cup and this year it's two weeks before season kickoff. The perfect pre-season hit out! Details [here](#)



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