



**CENTRAL COAST  
FOOTBALL**

**Central Coast Cup 2012**

The Central Coast Cup will run from the 18<sup>th</sup> + 19<sup>th</sup> February to the 18<sup>th</sup> March 2012. The tournament will be in a round robin format providing all participating teams a minimum of 3 games, with the highest ranked teams within their pool progressing into a final series.

Central Coast Football, through the support from the official sponsor- Hill & Co Lawyers, will offer prize money for the winners of the Men's and Women's competitions. The Central Coast Cup will be known as the Hill & Co Lawyers Central Coast Cup.

The following outlines the Rules and Operational Procedures of the Central Coast Cup for 2012.

The format of the cup will be three rounds followed by a two week finals series.

**1<sup>st</sup> Round: Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> + Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> February**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Round: Saturday 25 + Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> February**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Round: Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> March**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Round: Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> + Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> March**

**Quarter's (Men) + Semi Finals (Women): Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> March**

**Semi Finals (Men): Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> March**

**Finals: Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> March**

*\*These dates will be subject to change should CCF have to reschedule matches due to wet weather.*

Teams will be drawn at random and placed into pools. The MPL teams will be randomly drawn first and placed into pools and then the DIV1 teams and placed into pools. The Men's competition consists of Five (5) pools and the Women's competition consists of Three (3) pools.

### **Registration**

All players must be **currently registered to a club** to compete in the 2012 Central Coast Cup. Players will be checked on the day of competition that they are currently registered to the club. Players will be unable to play if not registered for the 2012 season.

### **Team Sheets**

Men's teams will be allowed a maximum of 16 players on the team sheet throughout the tournament.

Women's teams will be allowed to have a maximum of 20 players on the team sheet each round in the first three rounds. Only 16 players are allowed to take the field. Women's teams will be allowed a maximum of 16 players on the team sheet in the finals games.

**Location:**

The first two rounds of the 2012 CC Cup will be played at Pluim Park and Budgewoi FC. The 3<sup>rd</sup> round + all finals will be played at Pluim Park only.

**Washouts:**

If rounds are washed out- there will be no replays and zero points allocated. If individual games are washed out, games will be replayed.

**Forfeits:**

Teams that forfeit will be awarded zero points and a 3-0 scoreline will be recorded against the forfeiting team. CCF must be notified of any forfeits by 12:00PM Friday or 24hrs for a midweek match. If CCF is not notified by this time- the forfeiting team will be required to pay 100% of the referee's fees for the match. The club will be invoiced for the forfeit by CCF.

**Referees:**

Referees fees will be paid in cash on the day of competition by the teams. This payment will be split 50/50 between the teams. The referee appointments will be posted on the CCF website the week of the games. The referee rate is the Premier League rate for both Men's and Women's competitions. This is outlined below.

	<b>Referee</b>	<b>Assist Referee</b>	<b>Assist Referee</b>
<b>Men's</b>	\$70.00	\$35.00	\$35.00
<b>Women's</b>	\$56.00	\$28.00	\$28.00

**Game Times**

The game times for the Central Coast Cup will be 45 minutes each way for both the Men's and Women's competition. There will be no time added on.

**Interchange**

The 2012 Central Coast Cup will allow unlimited interchange in 2012 for all matches including finals matches.

**Match Balls**

All teams are expected to provide two match balls each game.

**Finals**

The Finals weeks will be as follows:

Men's Competition: 11<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> of March.

Women's Competition: 11<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> of March.

Men's Competition Final's Format

The finals series will consist of Quarter Finals, Semi Finals and a Final. The top team from each pool totalling five teams plus the next three highest ranked teams based on average points accumulated, will progress to the Quarter Finals. If two teams are have equal points after the first three (3) rounds the procedure for deciding which team proceeds into the finals series will follow the CCF Rules and Regulations 2012.

#### The Women's Competition Finals Format

The finals series will consist of Semi Finals and a Final. The top team from each pool totalling three (3) teams plus the next highest ranked team will progress to the Semi Finals. If two teams are have equal points after the first three (3) rounds the procedure for deciding which team proceeds into the finals series will follow the CCF Rules and Regulations 2012.

### **Judiciary**

#### Current Suspended Players

Current suspended players may be allowed to play in the Central Coast Cup. Suspended players will not be allowed to serve their suspensions in the Central Coast Cup.

#### Suspended Sentences

Players with suspended sentences are able to compete in the Central Coast Cup however should they incur a suspension in the Central Coast Cup- the player's suspended sentence will be evoked and the player will have to serve out that sentence in the 2012 Winter Season.

#### Offences in the Central Coast Cup

Accumulation of yellow cards in the Central Coast Cup will not be carried over into the 2012 Winter Season. Suspensions incurred during the Central Coast Cup will be carried over into the 2012 Winter Season. All other offences follow the Disciplinary Policy and Process Manual for the 2012 season. If a player incurs three yellow cards in the Central Coast Cup they will be suspended for one match. If this suspension is unable to be served in the Cup, it will carry over to the first round of the season.