

TO: ALL GEELONG CLUBS

FROM: FFV COMPETITIONS

DATE: 28 AUGUST 2017

SUBJECT: 2017 GEELONG FINALS SERIES – IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Dear Clubs,

As we are nearing the conclusion of the winter season, we ask clubs to familiarise themselves with important information surrounding dates, formats, venues and player rosters for the 2017 FFV Geelong Finals Series.

FFV is also pleased to announce that **Geelong SC** (Stead Park) will host in Week 2 of the Finals Series. The dates for Weeks 1 & 2 of the Finals Series are listed below:

Competition	Dates
Boys' Under 12 Joeys Boys' Under 12 Kangaroos Boys' Under 13A Boys' Under 13B	Sunday 17 September – Semi-Finals Saturday 23 September – Grand Final
Boys' Under 15A Boys' Under 15B Boys' Under 17A Boys' Under 17B Men's Division 1 Men's Division 2 Men's Division 3	Sunday 17 September – Semi-Finals Sunday 24 September – Grand Final
Girls' Under 12 Girls' Under 15 Women's Division 1 Women's Division 2	Saturday 16 September – Semi-Finals Saturday 23 September – Grand Final
Men's Masters	Friday 15 September or Sunday 17 September – Semi-Finals Sunday 24 September – Grand Final

Finals fixtures will be confirmed by the Tuesday prior to each of the finals weekends.

Finals Formats

All leagues will play in a top four finals series across the two weeks:

Week 1 – Friday 15 to Sunday 17 September

- Semi-Final #1 – 1st vs 4th (hosted by 1st-placed team)
- Semi-Final #2 – 2nd vs 3rd (hosted by 2nd-placed team)

Week 2 – Saturday 23 to Sunday 24 September

- Grand Final – Winner Semi-Final #1 vs Winner Semi-Final #2 (hosted at Stead Park)

Venue Hosting

As per the previous page, Week 1 of the Finals Series comprises all Semi-Finals on the weekend of 15-17 September and are to be hosted by the 1st- & 2nd-placed clubs in that respective league. The Men's Masters Semi-Finals will be played on either Friday 15 or Sunday 17 September depending on the fixture preference throughout the Regular Season of the higher-placed club.

If your club is expected to host finals in Week 1 based on finishing either first or second in any league, please ensure your venue is prepared to host the fixture as per all Regular Season fixtures. If for any reason your venue is unavailable to host fixtures, please contact FFV Competitions by no later than Monday 4 September 5pm.

FFV has determined the schedule for Week 2 of the Finals Series based on ground availability and the number of Grand Finals required across the entire weekend. Please note that due to the increased number of 2017 leagues, the Grand Finals have been spread evenly across both Saturday and Sunday of this weekend. Please find below schedule for the kickoff times, dates and venues of all Week 2 Finals:

Saturday 23 September	
Girls' Under 12 Grand Final 9:15am, Stead Park - Pitch 1	Boys' Under 12 Joeys Grand Final 9:00am, Stead Park - Pitch 2
Girls' Under 15 Grand Final 10:45am, Stead Park - Pitch 1	Boys' Under 12 Kangaroos Grand Final 10:30am, Stead Park - Pitch 2
Women's Division 2 Grand Final 12:45pm, Stead Park - Pitch 1	Boys' Under 13B Grand Final 12:00pm, Stead Park - Pitch 2
Women's Division 1 Grand Final 3:15pm, Stead Park - Pitch 1	Boys' Under 13A Grand Final 1:30pm, Stead Park - Pitch 2

Sunday 24 September	
Boys' Under 17B Grand Final 9:30am, Stead Park - Pitch 1	Boys' Under 15B Grand Final 9:00am, Stead Park - Pitch 2
Boys' Under 17A Grand Final 11:45am, Stead Park - Pitch 1	Boys' Under 15A Grand Final 11:00am, Stead Park - Pitch 2
Men's Division 2 Grand Final 2:00pm, Stead Park - Pitch 1	Men's Masters Grand Final 1:00pm, Stead Park - Pitch 2
Men's Division 1 Grand Final 4:30pm, Stead Park - Pitch 1	Men's Division 3 Grand Final 3:30pm, Stead Park - Pitch 2

Player Rosters

All participating Teams in Weeks 1 & 2 of the 2017 FFV Geelong Finals Series will be required to fill out the eligible player roster form. All players listed in these forms must be eligible to play for the respective Team as per Regulation 12.4.1. from the [2017 FFV Geelong Rules of Competition](#):

12.4.1. Each Player must have played at least 5 Regular Season Competition Fixtures for their team during the current season in order to qualify to play Finals for that team in 2016.

In Men's Division 1, only the 2 Grand Finalists each from Pool A and Pool B will be required to enter this information.

The form is available [HERE](#) – please ensure you fill out the appropriate age group based on the league of that Team.

One form is to be submitted per team that qualifies for 2017 FFV Geelong Finals and all forms must be submitted no later than **Monday 4 September 5pm**. If a Team appears to have already qualified for the Finals Series as per current standings you may begin to fill these player roster forms in as soon as possible up until the aforementioned deadline.

Teams without submitted player roster forms may be at risk of being eligible in line with the Rules of Competition.

The 2017 FFV Finals & Playoffs Series Participating Team Guide for all FFV competitions will be provided to clubs in the coming weeks.

For any queries around the 2017 FFV Geelong Finals Series, please contact competitions@ffv.org.au or call 9474 1800 and press 1 for the Competitions Department.

Regards,



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