



2010 Football Season Opening Newsletter

Welcome to the 2010 Playing season!

The committee extends a very warm welcome to all new and returning members of the North Wellington Association Football Club. The season begins on **Sat 3rd April (Men) and Sun 4th April (Women and Under 21's)**. We hope you all have a fantastic season.

This newsletter covers only the essential information you need to start the season and outlines the basic processes involved in running the club. There are a lot of things that happen behind the scenes that you should be aware of and we hope that more members might be willing to help us – even just for a single day. Contact details for all committee members are online and at the end of this newsletter.

This year we expect to have 23 teams, spread across the various divisions of the Mens and Womens competitions, including 3 teams in the Mens Under 21 competition. We have a very close association with the Junior Club (NWJFC), wearing the same playing strip and with whom we share our website. We are also closely associated with Onslow Junior Football Club. Our club has a long and very proud history and is made of people who sincerely love football.

Up to date info on all club activities and contact details is available through the club website:

<http://www.northwellingtonfootball.com/>

Most of our teams are full but we are always looking for people to fill in throughout the season – contact Club Captain Dave Wright if you know anyone interested in playing.

If you would like to volunteer, have any questions or perhaps any suggestions on how the club can be better run, please do not hesitate to contact one of the committee (contact details in the back of this newsletter and on the website and some of the Committee members can always be found in the club rooms on the weekend).

Under 21 Sunday Men's League returns

In conjunction with the North Wellington Junior Football Club and Onslow Junior Football Club we will again be entering teams in the Under 21 Sunday League. This competition caters for players aged between 16 and 21 (must turn 16 in 2010 and no older than 21 on the 1st January 2010).

For more information on Under 21 Football or to register your interest, see the club website or contact committee member Grant Stephen.

Understanding how the club works

Our club is staffed by unpaid volunteers who work tirelessly to keep your club running.

As a club member, you are asked to help out where you can. As well as attending fund raising events (and bringing all your friends), we need volunteers to help us run these events, and to help generally with running of the club each week. This may be as simple as selling tickets for a raffle one Saturday, helping set up the room for a fundraising evening or assisting in the bar/kitchen. Even a couple of hours of your time is a huge help, and it doesn't need to be every week. To keep informed about upcoming activities and opportunities to help your one-stop-shop is the new club website. The Committee is happy to provide references for regular/ongoing volunteers so this can be a good opportunity for some unpaid work experience that will look good on any CV.

Subscriptions for the 2010 season **DUE 25th April NO EXCEPTIONS**

- Due to an increase in expenses of the club, there has had to be an increase in Subs. The increased subs will assist in providing to a number of improvements in your playing experience, including First Aid Kits for all teams.
- **2010 subs are \$3,000 PER TEAM.** (\$200 each based on a 15 player squad).
- **A deposit of \$500 is to be paid by Friday 19th March to secure your team slot.**
- **A discount or rebate of \$200 team will be provided ONLY to those teams who have paid subs in full by 25th April. Yes, this means even if only 1 player fails to pay on time, the team pays the higher rate. Teams may decide to either take the discount, or have a \$200 rebate for prize giving or batons up tickets.**
- Teams who don't pay their subs in full by 25th April won't be able to play again until they are fully paid. We will be notifying Capital Football of non-financial teams and their games will be forfeit for the weeks until subs are paid.
- Team Captains are responsible for ensuring all subs money is paid to the treasurer by the 25th of April, or make sure their players have made alternate arrangements, such as online payment. Membership cards will not be issued until all subs are paid.
- **For non-playing club members, the 2010 subscription is \$10 (per person).**

You can pay your Subs ONLINE by Internet Banking – see below for details and don't forget to include a reference so we know it's your money!

**PLEASE ENSURE YOUR TEAM PAYS ITS SUBS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE
WE NEED TO PAY CAPITAL FOOTBALL BY THE END OF APRIL**

Payments for Subscriptions

To make timely payment of subs easier, payments can be made at any branch of Westpac or through your bank's online banking facility to the following account:

**North Wellington AFC, Westpac Bank, Johnsonville Branch.
Account Number: 03 0525 0009892 90**

Please include a reference with your name and grade when using online banking, or ask the teller to include your cell phone number as the reference if paying in a branch so we can match the payment back to you.

Coaches

Coaching appointments are made by the committee early in the year. Coaching positions are advertised in October/November and re-appointed annually, anyone interested in coaching for 2011 should keep an eye on the club website at the end of the season. For 2010 the following coaching appointments have been made by the club:

Men's First Team Coach – Chris Hughes, Assistant Coach – Tim Spackman

Men's Second Team Coach – Terry Yao

Women's First Team Coach – Jeff Crosby

In addition to the advertised positions for coaches for the top teams, there are a number of other coaching opportunities open within the club, particularly working with the Under 21 teams, so please let one of the committee know if you are interested in becoming involved as a coach/assistant coach or manager of one of the other teams in the club.

Administration

Registering yourself as an eligible player

As a club we need to keep an updated database of all members. The database includes such details as name, address, date of birth and contact details - including the all important email address – which allows us to keep in regular contact with you throughout the season. In prior seasons this information has not always been carried forward for all players, so **in 2010 we are asking everyone to complete a registration form with current details so we can make sure this database is up to date.** It is crucial to obtain access to external funding and for Capital Football player registration that we have up to date information on all members so we appreciate your co-operation in completing the necessary forms.

New players transferring from another club must be officially transferred and registered with NWAFC, while existing players with a change should update their details. The database is a requirement of Capital Football for player registration purposes. Capital Football requires team cards to be submitted each week so everyone playing for the club needs to be registered. If the club plays an unregistered player, the club is fined.

The latest registration form is available to download from the website and should be returned to Warwick Smith, who maintains the player database. Completed forms can be left at the bar. Please note, any player transferring from another club who has outstanding fines will need to pay these fines before they can play!

Prize Giving

Another great reason to ensure we have all your correct player details registered is to ensure eligibility for trophies and other awards at prize giving. In 2010 we are introducing a formal scoring system for the club trophies for "Team Performance" and "Team of the Season". Go to the club website for more information on how these trophies will be awarded. Team Performance focuses on results in the competition but "Team of the Season" will also allocate points for supporting the club – for example volunteering, paying subs on time, attending fundraisers and returning to the club after matches.

Team Captain Duties

Player Registration, Subs and Fines

The Team Captain/Manager is responsible for ensuring details of all players in their team have been registered with the club. They are also responsible for ensuring subs and fines for all players in their team are paid in full, on time.

Filling in Team Cards

For 2011 we will again be required to submit completed Team Cards each week and to phone results through to Capital Football on match day. If team cards are not completed and returned to Capital Football within 3 days the club is fined so Team Captains are responsible for ensuring this doesn't happen!

Before your game – Team Captains are responsible for correctly filling in your team card, it is imperative you spell names correctly and include only registered players in the team.

After your game – Notify the Club Captain Dave Wright of the result and return the Team Card to the wall-holder in the clubrooms (they are collected on Sundays). If you can't get to the club room you may post the card to Capital Football yourself but please let the Club Captain (Dave Wright) know.

If team cards are not received by Capital Football within 3 days, the team concerned incurs a fine. These charges are to be paid within 14 days of the notice being received. If you are unable to get the card to the clubrooms, you should post it yourself but please phone or text Club Captain Dave Wright to let him know (clearly stating the team name and your result).

Player Misconduct Fines

Players are individually liable for any fines they incur while playing for NWAFC and will be required to make payment to the club.

Once the Club has received a fine notice from Capital Football, the Club will pay Capital Football and forward a copy to the Player requesting payment in full.

All fines should be paid in full to NWAFC within 14 days of receiving the notification that you have been fined. Please give your money to your team captain, or deposit via online banking (same account details as for Subs payments, use your team and name details for the reference). Jeff Crosby will be following up making sure that you pay your fines. A **yellow card** will cost you approx \$40. A **red card** is even more expensive!!!

If a player fails to pay the fine they will be de-registered from the Club's playing list. This means that if they are then selected to play and listed on a team card, the Club will become liable to the disciplinary regulations of Capital Football for playing de-registered players.

**Fines can be paid to the Treasurer, your Team Captain
or directly to the NWAFC bank account:
North Wellington AFC, Westpac Bank, Johnsonville Branch
Account Number: 03 0525 0009892 90**

Capital Football, Fixture Details and Cancellations

Capital Football website is: <http://www.soccer.org.nz/>. It provides invaluable links to such things as: Ground locations, fixtures and results tables, links to other club websites (for looking up match reports) and upcoming events. There is a link to this site on our club website.

Details of Saturday/Sunday fixtures are usually available on the Capital Football website on the Tuesday prior to the match. The OFFICIAL DRAW also appears in Thursday's Dominion Post. Where there are differences between online and Dominion Post fixture details, the Dominion Post is to be considered the "Official" fixture list.

Cancellations are broadcast on Newstalk ZB (1035AM) every Saturday/Sunday morning at approximately 5 past and half past the hour. They also provide details of ground transfers.

The only authoritative source on cancellations and ground transfers is Newstalk ZB. If you don't hear that your game was cancelled, assume it is on! Even if Wellington City Council Grounds are closed your game may be transferred to a ground under the control of the Porirua or Hutt City Councils.

Social and Fundraising Activities

From time to time your team will be called upon to help raise funds for our club. Remember, the more funds we raise, the less need we have to increase subs!

We encourage all players to come down to the clubrooms after their games for a pie and a pint. As well as the dart boards and Sky TV, we have had a table tennis table donated this season so there are plenty of entertainment options. Children are always welcome in the club rooms and this year we plan to have a children's corner with a DVD set up to keep them happy. Bar sales and weekly raffles are key fundraising activities for the club and help keep subs from skyrocketing.

Normal clubroom operating times:

- Saturdays - 2 pm till late (dependent on numbers)
- Sundays from 12 pm until about 6.30ish

We also have a number of special events planned throughout the season (see the social calendar at the end of this newsletter), and will be screening Super 14 and Test Matches at the clubrooms where these games fall on a Saturday night. We are always looking for more volunteers to assist in running events so contact Shona Mackay or any of the committee if you'd like to help out, even if it's just for an hour or two. The more you all get involved in your club, the better the club functions!

**You can help by ringing the Committee or
Event Coordinator and volunteering your services**

Host responsibility – We advise you to plan your transport home before a huge night out at the club. Bar staff will be happy to assist in calling you a cab.

Social and Fundraising Activities (continued)

Duty Teams

Each week we are going to have a duty team assigned to help with running weekly raffles, keeping the club neat and tidy etc. You'll be advised which week your team is on duty and the Duty Team for each week is to come down to the clubrooms after their game

We're all busy people and sometimes if your team is playing a late 'away' game it is not always that easy to make it back to the clubrooms – but we hope a large contingent from each team will come back to the clubrooms after each game. This is part of how we as a club make money – so please do come along.

**If you'd like to suggest a new fundraising initiative or event
please talk to or email your committee members!**

We are always grateful for suggestions and assistance

Quick Reference: Things you should know about your Club

- Our clubrooms, complete with changing rooms, showers and car parks, are on the corner of Philip St and Broderick Rd, just behind the Broderick Dairy.
- Alex Moore is our main playing ground. There are also changing rooms, showers and car parks accessible from Moorefield Road.
- After your team has used the changing rooms please ensure that they are clean.
- The phone number for the clubrooms is 478-0072.
- Please take off your boots before you enter the clubrooms!
- You are not allowed to smoke in the clubrooms.
- Terms of the club liquor license require members to hold a membership card, which must be presented on request, so please be sure to keep it with you.
- If you receive a yellow or red card this incurs a fine you are personally liable for it. We will pay Capital Football, but require reimbursement from you within 14 days.
- **Cancellations/Transfers** - Remember to listen to listen to the radio on Newstalk ZB on 1035 AM at five past and half past the hour for any cancellations or ground transfers. Sometimes when it has been particularly wet week Capital Football may give us advance notice but this is a rarity. Information about cancellations and transfers can also be found on Capital Football's website.

**The clubrooms can be hired private functions
Ring Steve Lynd on 478-6497**

Social & Fundraising Calendar

2010 Playing Season

Check the club website for more details
but please note the following dates in your diaries

| DATE | EVENT |
|-------------------------------------|---|
| Saturday 3 rd April | Season Starts – Men’s Competitions |
| Sunday 4 th April | Season Starts – Women’s and Under 21 Competitions |
| Saturday 15 th May | Poker Night (Hurricanes vs Waratahs) |
| Saturday 5 th June | Quiz Night 1 |
| Saturday 31 st July | Batons Up (All Blacks vs Wallabies) |
| Saturday 14 th August | Quiz Night 2 |
| Saturday 28 th August | Club Day (players needed!) |
| Saturday 4 th September | PRIZE GIVING (rainover Club Day) |
| Wednesday 10 th November | Annual General Meeting |

For your football gear please go to:



Level 1, Left Bank
Between Cuba Mall and Victoria St,
Wellington

Show your NWAFC membership card for a 10% discount.

NWAFC gratefully acknowledge the support of the following
organisations:



For all the latest news, visit the club website: www.northwellingtonfootball.com

Senior Club Management Committee - 2010 Playing Season

The North Wellington AFC Management Committee is as follows:

| Name | Position (& Club 'Portfolios') | Home phone | Work phone | Mobile phone |
|-----------------|--|------------|------------|-------------------|
| Phil Sale | President (Capital Football Liaison & Strategic Planning) | 234 1631 | - | 027 440 2212 |
| David Wright | Club Captain (Club Liaison (including Junior Clubs & Colleges Liaison), Joint Committee & Equipment) | 478 4182 | | 027 221 8004 |
| Joanne Sale | Secretary (Funding Applications & Women's Teams Liaison) | 234 1631 | - | - |
| Sarah Taylor | Treasurer (Funding Applications, Fundraising & Social Events, Newsletter & Strategic Planning) | | 385 9051 | 027 501 3857 |
| Paul Alsford | Committee Member & Chairman (Capital Football Liaison & Strategic Planning) | 478 5462 | - | 0210 0245 7257 |
| Blair Kingsbury | Committee Member (Equipment, Training Grounds & Bar Liaison) | 477 6651 | 913 7420 | 027 485 9077 |
| Chris Hughes | Committee Member (Strategic Planning) | 478 9085 | - | 021 241 7231 |
| Steven Lynd | Committee Member (Kitchen, Social Events, Hall Hire, Joint Committee & Fundraising) | 478 6497 | - | - |
| Shona MacKay | Committee Member (Women's Teams Liaison, Social Events Coordinator & Fundraising) | 461 6145 | - | 021 338 589 |
| Warwick Smith | Committee Member (Website, Media Liaison, Registrations/Transfers, Club Liaison, Newsletter & Funding Applications) | 477 6197 | - | - |
| Grant Stephen | Committee Member (Grounds Rep. (nets), Junior Clubs & Colleges Liaison, Strategic Planning & Media Liaison) | 477 0333 | - | 021 722 016 |
| Jeff Crosby | Committee Member (Men's Premier team Liaison & Fines) | 475 7227 | - | 027 464 3144 |

FOR COMMITTEE EMAIL ADDRESSES – PLEASE SEE CLUB WEBSITE: www.northwellingtonfootball.com