



## Western Springs AFC U14 Girls Tournament 2023

### **VENUE**

Western Springs, Seddon Fields Meola Road, Point Chevalier

### **DATE**

Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> – Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> November 2023 – 2 days for all teams

### **COST & NUMBER OF ENTRIES PER CLUB**

- \$690 (\$600 + GST) per team. Only 1 team per club please. If you'd like a second team, please contact Tracy on [tracy@wsafc.org.nz](mailto:tracy@wsafc.org.nz) and she will let you know closer to the date if there is space.

### **PLAYER ELIGIBILITY**

- Girls must be born on or after 1 January 2009
- Any other players, outside of the above, that have received dispensation from their federation to play U14 girls during the 2023 season will be considered on a case by case basis
- All players must be registered members of the club they are representing – evidenced on NZFs Comet database – and played for them in a federation competition during 2023.
- Clubs must provide, together with dates of birth, a full list of their intended playing squad including playing numbers on the tournament player registration form no later than Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November 2023. Any changes to your squad list must be provided to the Tournament HQ by 9am on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November 2023. All squads will be available on the App.
- No guest players will be permitted. Please give opportunities to your own players.

## **PLAYING FORMAT**

- 11 v 11 including goalkeepers
- Maximum number of players in the tournament squad is 18
- size 5 balls provided by WSAFC
- 2 x 20 minute halves with 5 minutes for half time.
- All teams will play on a mixture of artificial turf and grass fields. When entering the artificial turf, please ensure the players clean any mud off their boots.

## **POOL PLAY AND FINAL PLACING GAMES**

- This will be dependent on the number of entries but will include round robin games and a minimum of 5 games per team
- 3 points awarded for a win and 1 point for a draw
- In the event of teams being level on points at the end of pool play:
  - Highest goal difference
  - then goals for
  - then the result of the head-to-head
  - then it will be decided by a coin toss

## **RULES**

This is a FIFA fair play tournament organised to provide players with an opportunity to learn, demonstrate their skills and enjoy themselves. Usual FIFA rules apply.

### **Substitutes**

Rolling substitutes - the coach must ensure that players leave the field of play at the nearest exit point so substitutions can be made quickly with the aim of not disrupting the flow of play.

### **Colour Clash**

Where there is a clash of colours, the away team (i.e. second named team) in the fixture must provide a change of shirts (or bibs) that does not clash with the home team's colours.

## **DRAWS/RESULTS**

- All draws/results will be paper-free and available online using the 'Western Springs AFC App'.
- Please encourage all interested parties to download it via iTunes or Google store.

## **REFEREES**

WSAFC will supply referees subject to availability. These will be a combination of Community Referees and NRF appointed officials. You should have somebody on standby to referee if needed, and also somebody available from your team to run the line as an 'assistant referee'. This person will need to have the appropriate footwear (turf boots / moulded stud boots) to be on the turf.

## **MANAGER'S MEETING**

We will not hold a Managers' Meeting, but you are welcome to come and speak with any of the Crew on the HQ desk at any time.

## **FOOD AND REFRESHMENTS**

The WSAFC Café will be open throughout the tournament selling hot and cold drinks and snacks.

## **FACILITIES**

- Please respect the turf rules:
  - Only artificial turf footwear should be worn (no metal studs)
  - Please ensure footwear is cleaned on the brushes at each gate before stepping onto the turf
  - No food allowed on the turf
  - Only water allowed on the turf
  - Access to the turf is limited to players, coaches, managers, referees, medics and tournament organisers.
- No BBQs allowed. Please support the food options provided by Western Springs through team fundraising and local businesses.
- Landfill/recycling/composting bins onsite – so please support us by using the correct bins as we aim to minimise waste.

## **GAZEBOS**

These can be set up along Field 3 and Field 4. There will not be any overnight security, so we recommend you take down any team gazebos overnight and place them in one of our changing rooms.

## **PARKING**

- Parking spaces (white markings) will be available in the main club car park up until the reserved spaces (yellow markings). The reserved spaces are for tournament organisers, volunteers, referees,

etc. The best place to park is in the new MOTAT carpark, entrance of Motions Road. \$2 per hour – max \$8 per day.

- Parking is not permitted in the yellow emergency access areas by the clubrooms and field 2, on the grass on Meola Road or behind the clubrooms in the MOTAT or AMT car parks. Cars parked in these areas may be towed by other organisations.
- Please drive carefully in all areas as there will be lots of pedestrians. Please note the pedestrian crossing once you turn into the main Springs car park and observe the 5KPH speed limit in all car parks for the safety of everybody.

## **SPECTATORS**

- All supporters should watch turf field games from behind the fence
- All supporters should watch grass field games from behind the rope surrounding the field.

## **RESPECT**

- It is a priority that players, coaches, referees and supporters are respectful at all times – to themselves, each other and the facilities.
- Disrespectful behaviour will not be tolerated and it is the responsibility of all to manage this.
- Referees are advised to ask any misbehaving players, coaches or spectators to move away from the playing area. Western Springs AFC does not tolerate any type of abuse.

## **DISCIPLINE**

- Any player receiving two yellow cards in Pool Play will miss their next Pool match. Any player receiving a red card is suspended for games depending upon the offence and as per FIFA rules. If any player is shown a red card, yet plays in the next game, their team will automatically lose the match 3-0, or by the actual result, whichever is greater.
- Yellow cards will not be carried through from Pool Play to the Finals. Any two yellow cards received during the Finals will result in the player missing their next match.

## **PRIZES**

- Trophies/medals are awarded to Winner of Championship/Plate/Bowl
- Medals are awarded to Runner Up of Championship/Plate/Bowl
- \* Final format is dependent on the number of team entries
- Prize giving will take place approximately 15 minutes after the final games
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### **TEAM REGISTRATIONS**

- Once your team is registered and entry fee is received the place is confirmed.
- If there is a change in circumstance and a team withdraws prior to 30 October 2023 then you will be refunded (minus \$50 admin fee)
- After 30 October 2023, no refunds will be provided.