



Strathfield North Public School

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Re: WSPSSA Girls Soccer 2011 Draw

Dear PSSA Coordinators and SAS Staff,

Please find attached the 2011 Draw for Girls Soccer Zone

A couple of points:

Previous years have proven that wet weather results in many games being cancelled. As there are not enough rounds in the cycle to complete two full rounds of games, the competition rounds have been kept to one full round.

The remaining rounds are friendly or wet weather rounds.

This is done to maintain the integrity of the competition, especially where close results may lead to goal difference being used to rank teams.

Additionally, in finals, corners will be now counted for both teams. In the case of a score draw after extra time, a win will be awarded to the team that has won the most number of corners in the whole game. Where they are equal, the team highest in the table will be awarded the match.

Thanks,

Kind Regards,

Neil Lavitt
WSPSSA Girls Soccer Zone Convenor



Girls Soccer Draw 2011 and Rules

Zone Convenor: Neil Lavitt (Strathfield North – 9743-2126)

- The winter competition will commence on **Friday 6th May 2011**.
- All games will be played at Ashfield, Centenary Park and Hammond Park.
- As many teams travel by bus, the junior A and B teams must be ready to start by 1pm and preferably earlier.
- There will be breaks of 5 minutes between halves for each of the Senior and Junior Games.
- In the spirit of the game, coaches are NOT to coach their teams while they are refereeing the games.

Schools	No.	Fax	Phone	Convenor
Croydon	1	9744-3613	9745-2299	Sean Maloney
Mortlake	2	9743-0261	9743-3001	Joseph Bruscano
Burwood	3	9744-3929	9747-3557	Ben Cheong
Concord West	4	9743 6606	9743 1580	Jane Flack
Strathfield North	5	9743 4775	9743 2126	Neil Lavitt
Strathfield South	6	9742-5878	9642-1359	Kylie Halliday
Summer Hill	7	9716-8003	9797-8160	Nadine Ardents
Haberfield	8	9716-7315	9798-8767	Suzanne Curteis

Round 1	Round 2	Round 3	Round 4	Round 5
<i>May 6th</i>	<i>May 13th</i>	<i>May 20th</i>	<i>May 27th</i>	<i>June 3rd</i>
2v7 Ashfield	1v7 Centenary (Pitch 2)	1v6 Centenary (Pitch 1)	1v5 Centenary (Pitch 2)	1v4 Centenary (Pitch 1)
4v5 Hammond	4v6 Hammond	7v4 Hammond	7v3 Centenary (Pitch 1)	2v3 Hammond
3v6 Centenary (Pitch 2)	3v5 Centenary (Pitch 1)	5v2 Centenary (Pitch 2)	2v6 Ashfield	7v6 Ashfield
1v8 Centenary (Pitch 1)	2v8 Ashfield	3v8 Ashfield	4v8 Hammond	5v8 Centenary (Pitch 2)

Round 6	Round 7	Round 8*	Or Wet Weather Round	Round 9*	Or Wet Weather Round	Round 10*	Or Wet Weather Round
<i>June 10th</i>	<i>June 17th</i>	<i>June 24th</i>		<i>July 1st</i>		<i>July 22nd</i>	
1v3 Centenary (2)	1v2 Centenary	2v7 Ashfield		1v7 Centenary (2)		1v6 Centenary (1)	
2v4 Hammond	3v4 Centenary (2)	4v5 Hammond		4v6 Hammond		7v4 Hammond	
5v7 Centenary (1)	5v6 Ashfield	3v6 Centenary (1)		3v5 Centenary (1)		5v2 Centenary (2)	
6v8 Ashfield	7v8 Hammond	1v8 Centenary (2)	2v8 Ashfield	3v8 Ashfield			

Round 11*	Or Wet Weather Round	Round 12*	Or Wet Weather Round	Centenary Park	Semis	Finals
<i>July 29th</i>		<i>August 5th</i>		Pitch 1 = Burwood End Pitch 2 = Ashfield End	<i>August 12th</i>	<i>August 19th (26th Backup)</i>
1v5 Centenary (2)		1v4 Centenary (1)			Ranked Teams	Final (Centenary) (1)
7v3 Centenary (1)		2v3 Hammond			Semi 1v4 Centenary (1)	
2v6 Ashfield		7v6 Ashfield			Semi 2v3 Centenary (2)	
4v8 Hammond	5v8 Centenary (2)					

* Friendly game unless this is a wet weather round.

The draw is structured with a **view to completing one full cycle of games**. When the first cycle is completed on the 17th of June, should there be no rounds cancelled for wet weather, the table points will be frozen and all additional rounds will be friendly's. In the period between Round 8 and 12, should any of rounds 1 to 7 have been cancelled due to wet weather, they will be played on the first available good weather Friday. For example:

were rounds 2 and 5 to be wet, they will be played on the first two playable dates in the period of rounds 8 to 12. These will count towards the final competition. This is to ensure the fair running of the competition and allow the 'for and against goal' ruling for goal difference passed at the Dec 2008 AGM to be applied.

"In the event of teams tied on points at the end of the regular season for boys and girls soccer, assuming a complete round (cycle) has been played, the following methods are to be used to separate teams (in order from first used to last used if required).

1. *Goals for/goals against - subtract goals against from goals scored - higher total goes through*

2. *IF STILL EQUAL - refer to results of when the 2 teams played: goals against subtracted from goals scored - higher total goes through*

3. *IF STILL EQUAL - a play-off game will be scheduled a minimum of 2 days before any semi-final."*

- Wins will be awarded 3 points, draws 2 points and losses 1 point.
- In the Semi-Finals and Finals, the number of corners will be counted for each side. In the eventuality of a draw on goals, the game will be awarded as a win to the team that has won the highest number of penalties in the opposing goal area. This is to reward attacking play.
- Please COMPLETE the attached result sheet and return to Neil Lavitt at **(Strathfield North – 9743-2126)** or email him at neil.lavitt@det.nsw.edu.au. **Both coaches must return the result sheet after each game. Failure to do this may result in your team being awarded a loss.**
- Ongoing results will be available online at: <http://www.editgrid.com/explore/user/wspssa/girlsoccer11> or from the WSPSSA website in the girls soccer section from the beginning of the season.

Rules

- There will be two Junior A and B girl's teams – (8-10 years) and a senior (11-13 years). The A squad **is the best team available** and the B Squad is to **be beginning players**.
- Junior Girls will play a modified 7 a side game across half pitches where there will be 1 goalkeeper and 6 field players on the pitch at any one time. The goalposts will be placed 2.5m apart with no crossbar and located as show in Figure 1 below. There will be no offside rulings made, though deliberate hogging of the opponents goalmouth will be penalised if it is deemed by the referee to be against the fairness of the game. As there will be no official marks other than the boundary throw in or goal lines, referee discretion will be used for the goalkeeper's penalty area for handling the ball. The pass back rule will apply, but only from deliberate unpressured passes back to the goalkeeper to allow punt kicks and throw in's back to the keeper. Goal kicks will be taken approximately 6m from the goal line and no other player must be within 6-10m of that player. For the B team only, the goalkeeper may throw the ball or punt kick the ball instead of a standing goal kick. This must still be made no further than 6m from the goal line.
- Senior Girls Soccer will play normal 11 a side FIFA rules on a full sized field with the exception of corners, which will be taken 5 meters from the corner. Referee's are urged to be particularly stringent of applying the offside rule in case of goal kicks where an opposing player steps into the penalty area before the ball leaves it, and from throw in's where both feet are not on the ground. The pass back rule will apply. Where a player commits a professional foul more than once during the game, the referee may have the player swapped with another player from that team. If no player is available, that team will continue with less than 11 girls.
- Goal Keepers must wear a jersey different to the rest of the team and **MUST** wear gloves for safety.

Equipment

- Each school must provide portable goals. Failure to provide the goals will result in the A teams game being forfeited by the school that has failed to provide it. Where no goals are provided by either school, a draw will be called.

- For ease of portability, although the Nyda goals come with a bag, it is recommended that due to the weight of the kit, a softball or cricket bag with wheels be used to ease transit. Most schools should have such a bag in their store.
- Although the goalposts are relatively sturdy, a direct hit by a well-struck ball may result in a section coming out. For this reason, the top bar must NOT be used. Bases must be well secured in the ground. On days where the ground is soft, be careful to reset the bases if the post is struck.
- As during the junior games both referees will be in action, please ensure that the senior team is sitting on the throw in line. It is advised to limit the number of balls brought to the game to a match ball and a training ball.

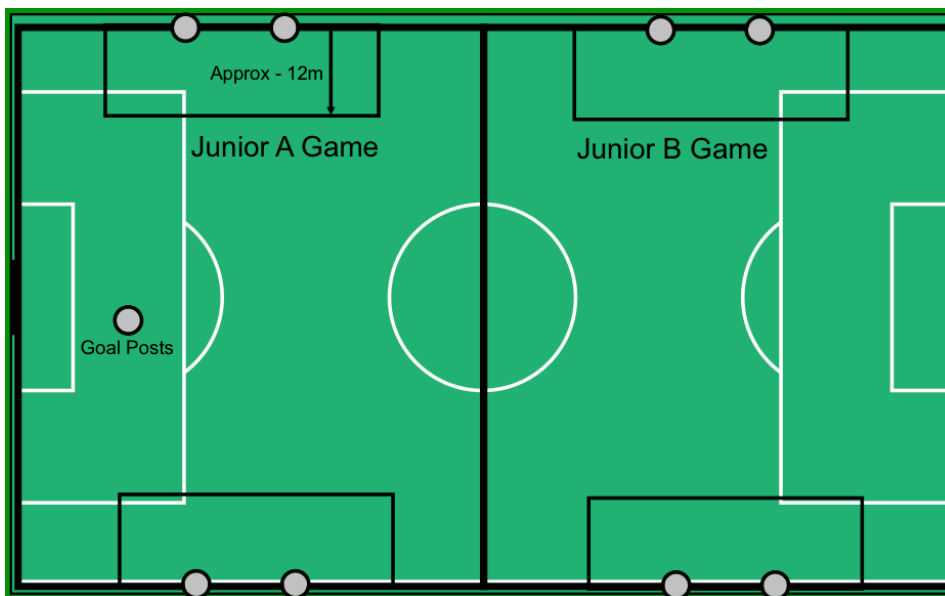


Figure 1

Layout of pitch during the junior games.

Goalposts 2.5 m apart

Referees should synchronise their start and stop times and swap games at the half time whistle.

Ages:

- Juniors are 10 years and under in 2011 (i.e. born in 2001- 2003)
- Seniors are 11-13 years in 2010 (i.e. born in 1998 - 2000)

JUNIOR A and B squad teams MUST be separate. Players within this squad are NOT interchangeable and must not be used in either squad in either the rounds or the finals. This is to ensure fairness and allow the squads to develop naturally.

JUNIORS MAY be used in senior teams for a maximum of 3 games during the standard rounds where NO other seniors are available. NO juniors can be played up in Semi- Finals or Finals. In the spirit of the game, coaches are urged to only play junior's where numbers cannot be achieved otherwise, and to rotate the juniors who are played up every 3 to 4 weeks. Seniors may at no time play in the junior squads

A attempt will be made to have the finals refereed by an independent referee.

Junior Games: 2 X 15 minute halves with 5 min break. Finals 5 mins extra time each way: golden goal wins.

Senior Games: 2 X 20 minute halves with 5 min break. Finals 5 mins extra time each way: golden goal wins.

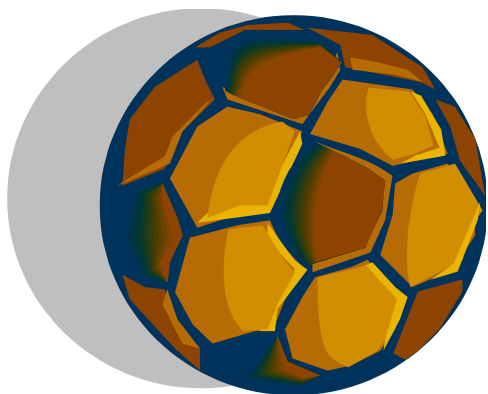
Substitutions: Players may be substituted at any time from the centre of the field.

Ball: All games are played with a size 4 ball.

First Aid: Soccer is a clean game, but its competitive nature does lead to possible injuries.

- All coaches **must** bring a stocked first aid kit (Bandages, antiseptic crème, bandages and ice packs) that could be used in an emergency
- A mobile phone is advised for emergency contact.

Any further issues: contact Neil Lavitt at Strathfield North, preferably by email on neil.lavitt@det.nsw.edu.au



2011 WSPSSA

Girls Soccer Result Sheet

Attention: **Neil Lavitt**

Strathfield North Public School

Fax: 9743 4775 or preferably email to neil.lavitt@det.nsw.edu.au

From: _____ Fax No. _____

Round: _____ Date: _____

School: _____ vs _____

Team	Winning School	Score
Junior Girls Soccer A		
Junior Girls Soccer B		
Senior Girls Soccer		

WSPSSA

From: Neil Lavitt - WSPSSA Girls Soccer Convenor
To: PSSA Coordinator
Re: Changes to Junior Girls Soccer Competition and consequent Advisement to Purchase Portable Soccer Goal Kits.

Dear Colleagues,

At the last PSSA meeting, a motion was passed for the Junior Girls Soccer PSSA Zone competition to become 7 a side where each school would send an A team and a B team. The intention of this is to:

1. Bring the WSPSSA in line with many other zones for junior girls soccer;
2. To better cater for the needs of young girls in learning the game of soccer in an enjoyable and achievable format;
3. To especially cater for the range of ability in the Junior competition and give the newer developing players a better chance of participating in the game.
4. To follow through on an earlier suspended motion submitted by the former girls soccer convenor, Tim Kay from Summer Hill.

The format and draw for the competition will be outlined at a later date, suffice to say that schools entering the competition should submit two teams: an A team of their more experienced and competent players and a B Team of players new to the game who are looking to learn and develop. Players will not be exchangeable between teams. Each squad should comprise 8 or 9 players to allow for absences.

As this is a 7 a side competition, the teams will play on a half pitch with the goal and centre lines acting as the throw in lines, and the two ends (being the full pitch's throw in lines) acting as the two goal lines. There will be no offside rule applied.

The purpose of this communication is to alert schools that intend to take part in the winter PSSA Girls Soccer competition that they will need to purchase portable goal kits that they would bring to each game. Each school will require one of these because there will be two games in progress at the same time, each being refereed by one coach. Thus a pair of goals will be required by each school.

As the zone convenor, I have investigated the availability of various options and consulted with the Sydney East regional convenor Steven Mead. He advised that the best option was the Nyda Portable Soccer/Hockey goal kit sold by **Ross Haywood Sports** at \$260 + \$20 freight. This provides a pair of goals made up of heavy spiked metal bases and PVC



Complete Goal with cross bar



Post Uprights 2.5m Apart



Top Right: Kit component laid out; **Right:** Heavy spiked bases and PVC tubing; **Bottom Left:** Carry Bag.

tubing. The tubing makes up the uprights and cross bar. With the cross bar in place, the goals are 1.77m by 2.3m. Due to safety concerns about using cross bars, the kit would be used in our competition without the cross bar and the uprights would be placed 2.5m apart.

Although the kits appear expensive, they are provided with a carry bag and they do represent an investment for a school's PE storeroom in that they can be repurposed for other games as well as be used for training. So that you might better understand the kits, I have included a number of photographs.

The goals are very easy to assemble and an experienced user will set them up in no more than a minute per goal. In place, the goals are reasonably sturdy, though they may be moved by a direct hit from a well-struck soccer ball. This is a good reason to leave the cross bar off. Referees will have to use their own judgement as to whether a ball went over a cross bar.

The main concern of using portable goals is safety. Some teachers have suggested a cheaper option may be to use corner posts. This is not a preferred option as they are not designed to be hit by a soccer ball and may be detached from the ground and cartwheel into a child.

Kind Regards,

Neil Lavitt - WSPSSA Zone Convenor

Details of Item to Purchase

Ross Haywood Sports PO Box 38, Ringwood, Victoria 3134

Phone: (03) 9870 1377

Fax: (03) 9879 3558

Item to order: Nyda Flexi-Goal Kit - Soccer/Hockey pair 1.77m by 2.75m

Quated Freight cost is \$20