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2019 GHFA CUP

Gladesville-Hornsby Football Association is pleased to announce that the **GHFA CUP** competition will return in 2019 after a sojourn of two years during the reconstruction of Christie Park.

The GHFA Cup is a knockout competition and offers prizemoney for the successful teams as follows:

- The Final winning team will receive a prize of \$1,000.00, the Perpetual Trophy and all players will receive medals.
- The Final runners-up will receive a prize of \$500.00.
- The losing semi-finalists will both receive a prize of \$250.00.

All Premier League and Super League teams are assumed to be competing and an invitation is extended to Clubs who are planning to nominate teams in All Age Division 1. If your Club wishes to nominate a team (other than Premier and Super League teams), please nominate by sending an email to nikki@ghfa.com.au by Monday 21 January 2019. Premier and Super League teams are assumed to be participating unless they advise otherwise.

There is no fee for entering a team in the GHFA Cup but teams forfeiting once the draw for Round 1 is complete will be subject to the normal GHFA forfeit fine.

The GHFA Cup 2019 will consist of four preliminary rounds commencing with Round 1 on Friday, 1 February 2019, and the Final to take place at Christie Park on Friday 8 March 2019. Subject to the number of entered teams, some teams may receive a bye in Round 1. It is anticipated that games will be played (depending on final entries and weather) as follows:

Round 1	Fri	1-Feb	6.30 & 8.30pm	Christie Park
			6.30 & 8.30pm	Pennant Hills
	Sat	2-Feb	1.00, 3.00 & 5.00pm	Pennant Hills
Round 2	Fri	8-Feb	6.30 & 8.30pm	Christie Park
	Sat	9-Feb	3.00, 5.00 & 7.00pm	Christie Park 1
			1.00, 3.00 & 5.00pm	Christie Park 2
Quarter Finals	Fri	15-Feb	6.30 & 8.30pm	Christie Park
	Sat	16-Feb	3.00 & 5.00pm	Christie Park
Semis Finals	Fri	22-Feb	6.30 & 8.30pm	Christie Park
Final	Fri	8-Mar	7.00pm	Christie Park

The draw will be conducted as a live draw on the GHFA Facebook page on Wednesday 23 January 2019 at midday: <https://www.facebook.com/1GHFA/>

**Peter Samson,
GHFA Competitions Director**

GHFA CUP RULES

Registrations

All teams must have their players registered in PlayFootball by midday the day prior to each match. This includes any players participating “on trial”. If the trialling player does not get accepted to their squad for subsequent matches, the Club registration can be cancelled.

Clubs must set up a GHFA Cup squad in PlayFootball for the purpose, with a maximum of 20 players to be registered. Manual teamsheets will be used for GHFA Cup matches, so the players are not required to be authorised in iCompMan.

Clubs can add and remove players from the squad at any time prior to the registration deadline provided no more than 20 players are registered at any time.

A maximum of 16 players can be listed on the teamsheet for any one match.

Ineligible players

Ineligible players include:

- i. Unregistered players;
- ii. Suspended players (see below);
- iii. A player who participates in a Match but is not listed on the Team Sheet;
- iv. A player who has been expelled from a Match on the day/s prior to a Match and the Disciplinary Committee or General Purposes Tribunal (as the case may be) has not yet issued a Determination in respect of the expulsion;
- v. A player who has been expelled from a Match on the same day as the Match but played early in the day;
- vi. A player who is deemed ineligible pursuant to the GHFA Grievance and Disciplinary Regulations, or any similar body of another Association governed by FFA.
- vii. A player who has been registered to participate in two different teams within the GHFA Cup competition.

Any Team that fields an Ineligible player will automatically lose that Match on forfeit and be fined \$140. Additional fines or other sanctions may apply subject to any Grievance and Disciplinary Tribunal findings. The Competition Director shall decide on the result of such forfeits for subsequent matches in the Competition. The Competition Director’s decision shall be final.

Cautions (Yellow Cards)

Yellow cards issued in Cup games remain within that competition, and do not add to the accumulation of yellow cards for the subsequent GHFA Premiership season.

There is no suspension for accumulated yellow cards.

The Temporary Dismissal System applies to all matches.

Suspended players

The GHFA Cup is not considered a “Pre-season Competition” for the purposes serving suspensions under the GHFA Grievance and Disciplinary Regulations. For clarity, this means that players serving a suspension, and/or any other sanction may not participate in a GHFA Cup match.

Players serving a suspension where that suspension arises from participation or activity other than a GHFA Cup match may not participate in a GHFA Cup match, and such a GHFA Cup match shall count as a “match” for the purpose of that suspension, provided the player is registered with the Association prior to any such match being played by their team, and the player’s name does not appear on the teamsheet.

Players serving a suspension where that suspension arises from participation or activity in a GHFA Cup match may not participate in any GHFA Cup match, however such a GHFA Cup match shall count as a “match” for the purpose of that suspension, provided the player is registered as one of the Club’s 20 players in the FFA Registration system.

Interchange

Unlimited interchange of players is permitted during matches subject to:

- i. The number of interchanges made during a match is unlimited. A player who has been substituted may return to the field for another player.
- ii. If, during an interchange, an interchange player enters the field before the replaced player has completely left it, the Referee will ensure the replaced player leaves the field, then caution the interchange player and then restart the match.
- iii. If, during an interchange, an interchange player enters the field or a replaced player leaves it from a place other than the Interchange Zone, the Referee will caution the offending player.
- iv. The interchanging of players will cease at the completion of normal and extra time (where played). If, at this time, penalty kicks are required to obtain a result, then the eleven (11) players on the field at the end of extra time are the only players permitted to participate in the penalty kicks. No interchanging of players is permissible at this time.
- v. Note: If during the taking of the penalty kicks the Goalkeeper is injured, he may be replaced with another Goalkeeper providing the replacement was listed on the team sheet.
- vi. Substitutes and interchange players cannot be used to replace any player who has been dismissed from the match by the Referee.

Special Rules for Preliminary Rounds

All games shall be played under the normal Laws of the Game, except no stoppage/injury time shall be played. The game shall consist of normal time of two halves of 45 minutes with a 5-minute half time. If no result is obtained by the end of normal time then a further two periods of 5 minutes extra time will be played with the first team scoring in extra time being declared the winner. If at the end of the extra time there is no winner then a penalty shootout shall be used to determine the winner.

Special Rules for Final

The game will be played under the normal Laws of the Game with stoppage/injury time being played. The game shall consist of normal time of two halves of 45 minutes with a 5-minute half time. If there is no winner at the end of normal time then two periods of 10 minutes extra time will be played with the first team scoring in extra time being declared the winner. If there is still no winner at the end of extra time, then a penalty shootout shall be used to determine the winner.

Disputes

In all cases of dispute regarding the Rules and Administration of the GHFA Cup, the Competitions Director shall have the final and binding decision.