

NSTA 2011 SPRING SEASON

1. Competition Details

Dates:

Wednesday 10 th August	Referee Course TBC
Week of Monday 16 th August	Competition commences
Monday 3 rd October	No Games due to October Long W/end
Tuesday 1 st November	No Games due to Melbourne Cup
Monday 21 st November	Start of Semi Finals (1v2, 3v4)
Monday 28 th November	Start of Finals (Loser of 1v2 plays Winner 3v4)
Monday 5 th December	Spare week for washed out Finals
Sunday 11 th December	Grand Final

Location: Artarmon Reserve, Burra Rd Artarmon

Game Length: 2 x 20min halves, 5 minute half time

Finals Format: We will be playing TWO week of finals. Week one semi's 1v2, 3v4. Winner of 1v2 advances straight to GF, Loser plays in Finals in the following week. Winner of 3v4 plays in Finals and Loser is eliminated. Week two final's winner advances to GF and loser is eliminated. In the event of a draw at full time, extra time will be played in a drop off format during all finals games.

Injury: In the event of an injury, the ground supervisor will have ice and a basic first aid kit (bandages). If the injury is serious, it is important to fill out an injury report form which you can get from the GS. Please make sure you do this on the night so that the correct Insurance Procedures can be followed. This may be done by another team member if the injured player cannot make the report.

Ground Supervisors:

They are the Norths point of contact down at the fields. If you have any enquiries or issues on the night please report to the GS and NOT the referees. Teams on DUTY must also report to the GS at least 5mins before they are required as they will confirm your attendance (see below for Duty Requirements). The GS for this season are:

Monday: Hye Lim

Tuesday: Natalie

Wednesday: Sally

Thursday: Judith

Wet Weather:

In the event that the fields are closed please call the **NORTHS WET WEATHER NUMBER 9411 3140** (same as the Norths office number). All updates will be left on this number. **DO NOT** call the Council Wet Weather number. The council may have closed the fields to the public but may allow us to use the fields under special circumstances (e.g. Semi Finals). There may also be instances where the fields become unplayable after the council has left the fields open at the end of the day. If time is permitting I will also send an email to the team contacts and put a notice on the front page of the website www.northstouch.asn.au

2. Team Requirements

Payment: No Pay No Play! All team fees must be paid in FULL before the competition commences. The Earlybird fee has closed and all fees are due by Thursday 11th August. Teams must be financial before they are allowed to play.

Player Registration and Insurance (online): We are now using an online registration system to register and insure players. This season all previously registered players will need to re-register to confirm they are participating in the Spring comp.

STEP 1: The team contact will be emailed a **team code** and **password** to confirm their team registration in to the competition.

STEP 2: Each player will need to register themselves in to the team. The team contact will provide the **team code** to the players. Once a player has registered for the first time, they will receive a username and password. They will use these details for all registrations.

STEP 3: Only registered players will be allowed to play on the night. There will be a ONE week grace period for all new players to register. This means players may play only ONE game unregistered and MUST register before the next game. All players must sign on. Players may register in to your team until round 9.

All links and instructions will be available on the Norths website.

Uniform Requirements:

All players are to be correctly attired in team uniforms. Players incorrectly attired will not be allowed to play. All players are to wear an identifying number no less than 16 cm in height clearly displayed on the back of the shirt. No two players on the same team may wear the same number. There will be a leeway of 2 weeks for uniforms to be organized. In round 3 players incorrectly attired will not be permitted to play. TAPE is NOT allowed. Only moulded studs are permitted (no screw ins). No jewelry permitted unless taped/covered.

Best and Fairest:

The referee will choose only ONE person from the game and will record their team name and shirt number. This means, if you do not have your uniforms organised or change numbers throughout the season then the wrong person will be recorded or not recorded at all. The tally will be available for viewing on the website. There will be a prize at the end of the season for the overall winner up to a cash value of \$100.

Forfeits and Late Arrivals:

Forfeits must be reported to the Administrator by either email or phone no later than 12pm on the day. Any team who forfeits without notice will incur -3 penalty points. Teams who forfeit on 3 occasions may be eliminated from the competition. Teams who arrive more than 10 minutes late will automatically forfeit.

Duty Requirements:

The duty team must provide 2 duty referees for each timeslot they are not playing in. E.g. the duty team from the 630pm timeslot is to provide 2 duty referees for the 720pm timeslot and 2 duty referees for the 810pm timeslot. Please ensure your nominated duty referees turn up at least 5mins before the nominated timeslot so that games may commence on time. Duty referees must report to the GS to sign on their attendance. Any team not fulfilling their Duty requirement will NOT be permitted to play until that Duty has been completed. Failure to provide duty referees will result in loss of competition points and possible exclusion from the NSTA Competition. Please note that TWO referees are required for each timeslot. Penalties may be incurred for only sending ONE referee. If you have concerns, please contact me via email before the date that you are required.

Sign On Sheets:

Each team member is required to sign on BEFORE they play. In the case of an injury, NSTA will check the sign on sheet to confirm the player was down at the grounds in sync with Injury Report forms. Team members are NOT allowed to sign on for other players. Sign on sheets are checked for player eligibility at the end of Round 7 and Round 14. Players who have “suspect” sign ons will be subject to exclusion from finals eligibility. The minimum requirement for eligibility is only 5 games.

3. Rules & Referee Course

The date has now been changed to Wednesday 10th August. Please confirm your attendance via email by Monday 8th August. The course will be held here at the Bowling Club starting at 6pm.

4. Bonus Points and Game Ball

All teams who attended the Registration will receive 3 bonus points and a game ball. Game balls will be available to be picked up from the canteen in Round 1.

5. Internet/Email

It is vital that the Administrator has the correct email and contact details for each team. This is the main source of communication between NSTA and teams. If details change please ensure you update NSTA and update your details online. All relevant information is also available on the website. If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact us!

6. Fields

During Winter Field 1 has limited exposure to sun. The grass is not as good as the other fields. A common sub area between fields 1 & 2 as in the last 3 seasons has been marked to decrease traffic next to Field 1. Please make all changes for field 1 between fields 1 & 2.

NOTES ON GRADING: Please note that not all teams can get their first preference of grade. The grading committee has graded the comps based on the preferences on the application forms, previous performance, payment and the equality of the comp.