

**LITHGOW SEVENS CARNIVAL.**  
**SUNDAY 6<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST 2017**

Dear Secretary,

Lithgow will once again be holding our Annual Sevens Carnival at MARJORIE JACKSON OVAL on **SUNDAY, 6<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST 2017. Our Carnival has been Sanctioned by FNSW.**

Entries are sought in the following age groups: U/6, U/7, U/8, U/9, U/10, U/12/, U/14 & U/16 on a first in first accepted basis. A Nomination Fee of **\$80.00** per Team for U/8 to U/16 & **\$70.00** per Team in U/6 & U/7, **WHICH IS NOT REFUNDABLE**, must accompany your Nomination together with a copy of your Club Registration **SIGNED BY YOUR ASSOCIATION REGISTRAR**, as proof of the players participating in the carnival are Registered with your Club. (Visiting Teams ONLY) Lithgow Teams will be checked by the LDF Inc. Registrar.

**NOMINATIONS CLOSE:** THURSDAY 27<sup>TH</sup> JULY with the Draw being sent out on TUESDAY 1<sup>ST</sup> AUGUST.

**ADDRESS:** THE CARNIVAL COMMITTEE.  
 8 SANDALWOOD DRIVE, LITHGOW. 2790.  
 Email: [lithgowcarnivals@gmail.com](mailto:lithgowcarnivals@gmail.com)

**NOMINATION FEE:** All Cheques should be made payable to: Lithgow District Football Inc.

**REFEREE'S:**

**ALL TEAMS WILL BE EXPECTED TO REFEREE AT LEAST ONE GAME ON THE DAY.**

ALL TEAMS ARE ASKED TO REPORT TO THE CARNIVAL OFFICE ON YOUR ARRIVAL TO PICK UP THE MATCH CARDS THAT YOUR TEAM IS REQUIRED TO REFEREE. YOU ARE ALSO REQUIRED TO RETURN THE MATCH CARDS IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE GAME HAS CONCLUDED. IT IS A CONDITION OF ENTRY THAT YOUR TEAM BE PREPARED TO REFEREE, NO EXCEPTIONS GIVEN. **PLEASE NOTE:** If you fail to turn up to referee, your team will be penalized 4 points per game in U/12 to U/16

**NOMINATIONS:**

ONLY REGISTERED CLUB TEAMS, NO DISTRICT OR REPRESENTATIVE TEAMS WILL BE ACCEPTED. If teams are short of Players, they must recruit Players from within their OWN CLUB.

1. Visiting Teams must send a copy of your **ORIGINAL TEAM REGISTRATION SHEET** with your nomination, duly **STAMPED AND SIGNED** by your **ASSOCIATION REGISTRAR**. Only Players, whose Names appear on the Nomination form will be permitted to play with that Team during the Carnival.
2. PLAYERS SHALL NOT PLAY FOR MORE THAN ONE TEAM ON THE DAY.
3. **A MAXIMUM OF 10 PLAYERS PER TEAM TO BE NOMINATED WITH ONLY SEVEN (7) ALLOWED ON THE FIELD AT ANY ONE TIME FOR THE U/8 TO U/16 TEAMS AND FIVE (5) PLAYERS FOR THE U/6 & U/7 TEAMS**

**CANCELLATION:**

IF THE CARNIVAL IS CANCELED DUE TO UNFORSEEN CIRCUMSTANCES, ie: WEATHER, THE CLUB CONTACT PERSON ON THE ENTRY FORM WILL BE NOTIFIED AS EARLY AS POSSIBLE BY TELEPHONE.

**NO TELEPHONE CALL, NO CANCELLATION.**

IN THE EVENT OF A CANCELLATION, ALL FEES WILL BE RETURNED.

- A MEETING FOR ALL COACH'S WILL BE HELD THIRTY MINUTES BEFORE THE START OF THE CARNIVAL FOR ANYONE WHO NEEDS CLARIFICATION OF THE RULES.
- CANTEEN AND BBQ FACILITIES WILL BE AVAILABLE ON THE DAY. **DUE TO HEALTH & SAFETY REASONS, NO PRIVATE BBQ'S OR COOKTOPS ARE TO BE USED.**
- ALL COACH'S/MANAGERS MUST REPORT TO THE CARNIVAL OFFICE ON ARRIVAL TO COLLECT THE MATCH CARDS THAT THEIR TEAM MUST REFEREE.

**CARNIVAL SECRETARY:** LORRAINE KEAY      **MOBILE:** 0419 621 426

**CARNIVAL MANAGER:** TBA      **MOBILE:**

**LITHGOW SEVENS CARNIVAL**  
**UNDER 6 TO UNDER 10 RULES**

**1. UNDER 6 TO UNDER 10 RULES:**

- a) No offside in any age group.
- b) Free kicks will be given by the Referee for players marking or obstructing the opposition keeper. (U/8 to U/10)
- c) No Goalkeepers in U/6 or U/7.
- d) Kick in's from the sideline in U/6 & U/7. Throw ins from the sideline in U/8 to U/10
- e) A Goal cannot be scored directly from a kickoff.
- f) Goal kicks will be taken from the edge of the goal circle on mini fields. (Back line U6 and U/7)
- g) Goalkeepers must throw, roll or kick the ball from the ground in U/8 to U/10.
- h) Substitutions will be of unlimited interchange. Substitutions may only be made during a stoppage in play from the halfway mark, and only with notification to the Referee.
- i) Coach's will be allowed on the field with Under 6 and Under 7 but must stay on the half way mark at all times and also stay on the field with their players for the duration of the match.

**2. TEAMS WILL PLAY IN POOLS ON A ROUND ROBIN BASIS.**

- a) Each Pool Game will be of 10 Minutes each way with no half time break.
- b) Teams must be on the Field, in position, for the start of each game.
- c) The Start, Finish and halftime turnaround will be by hooter. All games will be timed off the Officials Clock. **Games will immediately start by the hooter, even if the opposition is not in position.**
- d) **There will be no Semi-Finals or Finals in the U/6 to U/10 age groups. All Players will receive a small thank you from the Carnival Committee after their final Pool Game. (This is a directive from F.N.S.W ie: U/6 –U/10 must not be competitive.)**
- e) **Coach's are asked to assemble their Teams on the grass opposite the Carnival Office for their presentation immediately after their final game and notify the officials on duty which team they represent.**

**3. SPECIAL RULES - ALL AGE GROUPS:**

- a) **If any person enters the field of play without the Referee's permission, THE TEAM INVOLVED WILL BE DISQUALIFIED FROM THE CARNIVAL.**
- b) **No deliberate back passes to the Goalkeeper will be permitted. (U/8 to U/10)**
- c) **No Slide Tackles will be permitted in ANY Age group. Penalties will apply and repeat offenders will result in the Player/Team being disqualified from the Carnival.**
- d) **IMMEDIATE DISQUALIFICATION WILL ALSO OCCUR FOR ANY PROVEN ABUSE OF A PLAYER OR OFFICIAL.**

**4. DISPUTES:**

- a) A **\$100.00** FEE will apply for any Disputes and must be lodged within 10 Minutes of the match conclusion of the game.
- b) All Disputes will be heard by the Carnival Manager whose decision is **FINAL**.
- c) Only Coach's and or Managers, whose names appear on the **NOMINATION FORM**, may be involved in any dispute.

**LITHGOW SEVENS CARNIVAL  
UNDER 12 TO UNDER 16 RULES**

**1. UNDER 12 TO UNDER 16 RULES:**

- a) No offside in any age group.
- b) Free kicks will be given by the Referee for players marking or obstructing the opposition keeper.
- c) Throw ins from the sideline in all age groups.
- d) A Goal cannot be scored directly from a kickoff.
- e) Goal kicks will be taken from the edge of the goal circle on mini fields.
- f) Substitutions will be of unlimited interchange. Substitutions may only be made during a stoppage in play from the Half- way mark, and only with notification to the Referee.

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- d) **Winners of each game will be the Team scoring most goals. Corners and Free kicks will be counted in pool games but will only be used in a count back to decide Pool winners.**
- e) The following will apply, in order, to decide Pool Winners if Teams finish Pool Games on equal points:
  1. **Most Points**
  2. **Best Goal Difference.** (Goals for minus Goals against)
  3. **Most Goals**
  4. **Most Corners**
  5. **Most Free Kicks**

**3. SEMI FINALS & FINALS:**

- a) **SEMI FINALS** and **FINALS** will be by Referee's Whistle.
- b) **SEMI FINALS** will be of **TEN (10)** Minutes each way with a **TWO (2)** minute Half Time Break.
- c) **FINALS** will be of **FIFTEEN (15)** minutes each way with a **FIVE (5)** minute Half Time Break.
- d) Winners will be the Team with the most goals at the end of **Normal Time.**
- e) If Goals are equal, an equal, **FIVE (5)** Minutes each way **Extra Time** will be played.
- f) If Teams are still equal on Goals, the Team gaining most **CORNERS** in **EXTRA TIME ONLY** will be declared the winners.
- g) If Teams are still equal, the Team gaining most **FREE KICKS** in **EXTRA TIME ONLY** will be declared the winners.
- h) In **SEMI FINALS**, If still Equal, a count back will be taken on all Goals, then Corners, then Free Kicks in all Games played to determine the winners.
- i) In **FINALS**, if still Equal, joint winners will be declared.

**4. POINTS:**

**4 POINTS WILL BE AWARDED FOR EACH WIN BY GOALS.**  
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**4 POINTS WILL BE AWARDED FOR EACH BYE. (Only when Pools are uneven)**  
**2 POINTS WILL BE AWARDED FOR EACH DRAW.**  
**1 POINT WILL BE AWARDED FOR EACH LOSS.**  
**4 POINTS WILL BE DEDUCTED FOR ANY TEAMS WHO FAIL TO REFEREE APPOINTED GAMES.**

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