

## WFA Newsletter June 2024

### Australian Representatives

Congrats to our players that went to Chesterfield for the World Nations Cup. By all the accounts all teams did well against some tough opposition and were unlucky not to do better, although the ladies 50+ came second on goal difference – well done Nadine! Our reps were

Nadine Silverberg L 50+

Roger Collini M 50+

Stu Parker M 60+

Gareth Davies M 65+

John Townsend M70+

Next year the tournament is in Sweden

### AGM

Its end of financial year time and therefore time for the AGM. This is formal notification giving a minimum of 14 days' notice.

Date : Thurs 4<sup>th</sup> July 2024

Time : 6 for 6.15 pm

Place : Arkaba Hotel - Mezzanine

All the normal stuff – Accounts, Election of Officers etc plus some amendments to the constitution. Anyone wishing to serve on the cttee, who is not currently a committee member, will need to lodge an application to me (derek.l.finch@gmail.com) by Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> June.

### EPL Fantasy League Results

1<sup>st</sup> – Frank Macheda

2<sup>nd</sup> – Lee Shilvock

Fantasy Cup Winner – Jon Light

### Tournaments

**Singapore** – If you have not yet registered your interest get in *we have some great short term discounts which expire in the next 10 days!* This

**AMAZING** and world first tournament is booking up with teams from Europe, Asia and Africa so far. The Land competition will now be 1<sup>st</sup> Sept with 2<sup>nd</sup> Sept free for sightseeing. The cruise 3<sup>rd</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> is going to Thailand with games on board. Teams or individuals can find out more or register by emailing [WF4Hcomp@gmail.com](mailto:WF4Hcomp@gmail.com). Travel packages through Travel Prospects are looking excellent value for money and you can book as an individual as well as a team. We have a contingent going from Adelaide. The cruise ship is family friendly so perfect to bring the whole family for a holiday as well as playing some WF both in Singapore and on the ship. **Walking Football AND a holiday in an idyllic location for a very good price – why would you NOT go?**



**Pan Pacs Masters Games** – This will again be on the Gold Coast and slated for **6-9<sup>th</sup> November** i.e. over 4 not 3 days. Registrations are open so start getting teams organised ready. Word is it will be a bumper attendance (30 teams registered by end of May) That's the same as the last Pan Pacs but five and a half months before KO!!!!

Categories are

Women's 40+, 50+, 60+

Men's 50+, 60+, 65+ and 70+

Mixed / Social (min 3 women)

We have already registered an over 70 team and Tony G has registered a 50+ side (If interested in playing contact him on 0401332176) and I saw Steve T has registered a mixed/social team.

**We need captains** to organise teams so if anyone wants to promote a team let me know and I will add in the newsletters.

Plus the best part is a week on the Gold Coast with a bunch of South Australians!!

### **More Tournaments**

More clubs interstate are running tournaments. Wollongong, Coolumb and Melbourne have upcoming events. It would be great to support these but the cost of travel is prohibitive, but if anyone is interested WFFA have a list of endorsed competitions on their website and I am sure will find a team to host you!

### **Member Benefits**

Frequent Flyer – Remember to sign up for free membership on Rex and Virgin, plus if you add the WFFA ABN on a Virgin booking (49666990549) points also go to WFFA as well for future use.

### **John Walker Family Day**

Sav has locked in Lights for this annual event, moving away from Father's Day to avoid family celebrations. This tournament fits in with the recently launch program of Walking Football 4 Health



DATE : 18 August 2024

Time : 9.30 am for 10.00 am kick off

☑ 4 courts

☑ 6-a-side

☑ Division 1 ..... 10.00am to 2.00pm Courts 1 & 2

☑ Division 2 ..... 10.00 to 12 noon Courts 4 & 5

☑ \$10.00 per player

This year's format

☑ Division 1 – 6 Teams (Friendly)

☑ Division 2 – 4 Teams (Social / Family)

☑ Games are 15 minutes each

☑ Div 1 – 6 games / Div 2 – 5 games

Matchday sponsors will donate \$5.00 for every goal scored. Sponsors or donations sought! If your business or one you know is interested please contact Sav.

Team registrations to Sav. If you want to play and don't have a team just let Sav know and he will find you one.

### **New Venue**

Very sad to report the new venue at Christies Beach Bowling Club folded. After protracted negotiations and a demo game to show we did not harm the green, a few of the old stalwarts complained to the committee and we had the agreement terminated. It appears the committee was divided on letting us play and when a couple of the 'for's' were away they got the vote changed. Their loss – bar profits will drop!

However we have a session at **Noarlunga Recreation Centre** on Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> June at 10-11 am. We have locked in the time for winter and if demand is there can increase courts or time

### **Promoting WFA**

**AUFC** – We are progressing with the discussions with Adelaide United to work with their foundation and promote walking football and its health benefits.

**Sunday 21st July there is a demo/come and try at Lightsvue. If you would like to play in an exhibition game let Sav know.**

### **Insurance**

Several people have, after getting injuries, asked about the insurance cover we take out with FSA. Its been posted before but if you need to make a claim or just find out the cover then go to <https://www.gowgates.com.au/sport-programs/football-sa>