Hope you all had a great weekend, fantastic weather, reductions in COVID requirements, with more to come, 2022 is looking very good.

This was also highlighted with excellent numbers attending training last Wednesday, include 6 new umpires, which is fantastic and a very positive start to 2022.

This week we have our first field umpires coaching session. Again, try to get to training but if you can't, that is fine, train yourself, but if you can get to the coaching sessions that will support your growth in umpiring.

In that, please check the pre-season training program and look to attend your discipline coaching sessions when possible, as they are very important leading into the 2022 season.

The WRFL umpire's association held their 2021 AGM and the following members have been appointed to the following positions:

| President | Steve Sutton | 0417 037 526 | |
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| Vice-President | Adrian O'Donnell 0402 030 906 | | |
| Secretary | Terry O'Donnell 0439 724 545 | | |
| Treasurer | Vaughan Garner | | |
| Committee Members | Geoff Tresidder | Assistant Secretary | |
| | Dean McGowan | Social Secretary | |
| | Peter Auld | | |
| | Colin Hood | | |
| | Linda McGrath | | |

This week we have training on Monday and Wednesday at Hanmer (refer to the pre-season planner) and 'Come and Try' at Hopper Crossing Football Ground on Monday 21 February from 4-5pm for new umpires. If you live local and have a friend that maybe interested in umpiring, please bring her or him along.

Practice match will commence soon, please make sure you have Schedula set correctly so Rene can appoint you, as per his recent email.

Again, if you want to umpire in 2022 and you have not registered please do so asap. If you are unable to umpire in 2022, please let Rene know by emailing him at renevankuyk@gmail.com

Please note that, due to COVID restrictions, **NO** pre-season training will occur at MacKillop College until after ANZAC Day, however the MacKillop Academy will commence from Monday 7th March. Likewise, the Skinner Reserve Sunshine 'Come and Try' is postponed, further details will be provided.

COVID changes will mostly change as we move into the 2022 season.

See you on the track

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| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday |
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| 21 Feb Training Hanmer 5.45pm Come and Try Hoppers Crossing FC 4-5pm | 22 Feb | 23 Feb Training Hanmer 5.45pm Field Coaching Session 6.45pm | 24 Feb |
| 28 Feb Altona Steps 6pm Come and Try Dunnings Road Reserve Point Cook – 4-5pm | 1 Mar | 2 Mar Training Hanmer 5.45pm | 3 Mar |
| 7 Mar Altona Beach 6pm Academies Commence 4pm | 8 Mar | 9 Mar Training Hanmer 5.45pm Field Coaching Session 6.45pm | 10 Mar |
| 14 Mar Labour Day – No training | 15 Mar | 16 Mar Training Hanmer 5.45pm Boundary Coaching Session 6.45pm | 17 Mar |
| 21 Mar Academies 4pm Training Hanmer 5.45pm Goal Coaching Session 6.30pm | 22 Mar | 23 Mar Training Hanmer 5.45pm Field Coaching Session 6.45pm | Mar 24 |
| | Change over from | m pre-season to in-season | 1 |
| 28 Mar Academies 4pm | 29 Mar Training Hanmer 5.45pm | 30 Mar | 31 Mar Training Hanmer 5.45pm Whole Group Coaching Session 7pm |