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1. Working with Children Course - Register Online NOW

Wollongong - Child Safe Sports Workshop - 30 October at the Fraternity Club at (6:30 to 8:30pm)

This child safe sports session will assist sports organisations and clubs to understand the changes to the Working With Children Check and implement effective child safe strategies and practices.

What you will learn about:

- How the new check differs from the previous check
- Who will and won't need a Working With Children Check under the new system
- Individual and employer responsibilities
- How to prepare for the new check
- Risk Management
- Codes of conduct
- Kids' participation
- Complaints and Allegations

There will also be time for questions regarding the new check and child safe practices.

Register online via the following link:

http://www.kidsguardian.nsw.gov.au/EventViewBookingDetails.aspx?Bck=Y&EventID=229



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Are you involved in local sports?

People working or volunteering in sport and recreation need to prepare for the phase-in of the new Working with Children Check

Find out more by registering for a free Child Safe Seminar!

The Office of the Children's Guardian is running free seminars across NSW to help you and your sports club to understand:

- * Your Working with Children Check obligations, the application and verification process
- Who needs and who does NOT need a new WWCC (including parent volunteers)
- * Risk management and strategies to help make your organisation child safe

Where:

Sydney, Central Coast, Illawarra, Hunter, New England, North, Western, South and South West NSW regions. To find the location of your nearest seminar go to the website: www.kidsguardian.nsw.gov.au/childsafesports

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The NSW Office of the Children's Guardian is an independent government agency which administers the Working With Children Check and encourages organisations to be safe for children. To find out more go to: www.kidsguardian.nsw.gov.au



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2. New Working With Children Check Website

The NSW Office of the Children's Guardian has released a new website and new webpage for the Working with Children Check in NSW.

Link to new website: www.kidsguardian.nsw.gov.au

Link to WWC webpage:

http://www.kidsguardian.nsw.gov.au/Working-with-children/working-with-children-check

3. Referee Sub-Committee Expressions of Interest

During club meetings over the last few months you have been advised of a Working Group that is being implemented to develop strategies to ensure development of a strong and sustainable refereeing population supporting our games in the Illawarra.

The purpose of the Working Group is to take a structured approach through clubs, council members and referee's working together to address areas such as the recruitment, development and retention of referee's in our area.

Expressions of interest are still open to our member clubs who would like to be part of the Working Group which will have its first meeting in September to bring together some concepts and idea's to take this piece of work forward.

Please email <u>referees@footballsouthcoast.com</u> by the 31st August to register your interest to participate.

