



Australian Floorball Association

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MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

This is a reminder that membership renewals are now due. With our new membership system you will have been sent a renewal notice already. If you are playing or training now you are not covered for insurance purposes until your registration has been paid for the current financial year.

MEN'S WORLD FLOORBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS

As we all know the Australian Men's team has qualified for the World Championships in Finland in December 2010.

A selection camp was held in Newcastle in July for the East Coast based players. The feedback was very positive from those attending and the coaching staff.

The selection camp for the West Coast based players is to be held in August after which the Australian Men's team for WFC 2010 will be announced via the AFA website.

WOMENS NATIONAL COACH

Andrew Fenton has been appointed the new Australian Women's Team coach. We all wish Andrew the best for the future.

A Message from Andrew

Thank you to AFA and all involved both past and present for the opportunity to Coach the women's national floorball side. I hope in everything that I implement is both beneficial in building women's floorball in all states as well as getting the best out of the incredible talent the women's floorball community has here in Australia and Australian players abroad.

In the planning stages of the selections to lead up and also winning every game of floorball that the national squad and team play during my coaching time I will be asking for help in as many ways I feel is required. So as a start I ask everyone or anyone that has women's floorball games on DVD if you could send me a copy to PO BOX 288 Ramsgate 2217 NSW

To all players I look forward to your commitment to strive for the opportunity to play once again for your country or play for your country for the very first time which is an incredible feeling. I do know how this feels as I have had this opportunity in several sports and there is nothing else like it.

Once again thank you,
Andrew Fenton

AUSTRALIAN FLOORBALL OPEN UPDATE

The AFO 2010 was won this year by Glebe FC men's champions and NSW Vipers women's champions. Congratulations to both teams and well done to NSW Floorball for organising a very successful event. Full details of stats and results are available on the AFA and NSW websites www.floorball.org.au and www.nswfloorball.org

AFO 2011 will be in Sale in Victoria.

NORTHERN BEACHES OPEN 2010

Hi Floorball friends

I trust that most of you are still enjoying the off-season and others are already in pre-season training mode.

You will be pleased to hear that the NBO 2010 Early Bird special is still available until August 9, 2010. So if you haven't already registered your team, it's time to do so now. Thanks for the teams that have taken up the Super Early Bird Special at AFO and the others that have registered since. It will be an awesome tournament. Who can beat defending and Australian champions Glebe? Will Storybridge turn two final losses against the same team into their maiden NBO trophy? Will Northern Beaches bounce back and win their home tournament again? Will it be a team from WA to take it for the first time or is a NZ team in with a shot?

I can't wait and hope that many of you feel the same way. We are looking forward to welcome all of you to Dural once again. And here's what you can expect.

- 2 days of action packed floorball at the highest level
- 2 to 3 courts depending on amount of teams registered
- most comprehensive stats in Australia including Goalkeeper stats, shots on target % rate, team firepower and many more - check out 2009 stats here: <http://www.northernbeachesfloorball.com.au/?p=59>

The venue will again be Dural sports center and the date is October 9/10 - NRL/AFL and Hockey free! As per the last few years we will again be producing T-shirt as a commemorative item. This year you have the chance to pre-order them for your team at a heavily reduced price. I've attached the team rego form to this note. Please register by returning the form to scott_michael_collins@hotmail.com along with your payment confirmation. Your spot will only be guaranteed upon received payment. Thanks for your understanding.

Should you have any further questions please get in touch with Stefan at engsall@yahoo.com.au or Scott via scott_michael_collins@hotmail.com

We hope to see you all in Dural at October 9,
Reto Wolf
Northern Beaches Floorball Association

APAC VOLUNTEERS

The organising committee for APAC 2011 in Perth on 27th to 30th January 2011 is looking for as many volunteers as they can get. Roles include

- Scorer bench duties
- Equipment organisers
- Team liaisons
- Music master
- Announcers

Anybody interested please let Mel know at bubbachops29@hotmail.com

The organising committee consists of Lois Boteler, Mel Cathie, Stephen King and James McIntyre. More members are most welcome.

AFA SUB COMMITTEES

The new AFA Committee has appointed the following persons to be the AFA contact on the nominated sub committee. The role also involves the AFA committee member working with states, clubs and others to expand the membership on the sub committee. If anyone is interested in working on these sub committees please contact the relevant AFA committee member

- Refereeing
 - Leith (Tomma) Woods chickenarms@hotmail.com
- Coaching
 - Grant Mead grantmead32@hotmail.com
- Development
 - Peter (Pdot) Harris pdot_weekly@yahoo.com
 - Alan Clay al_clay@hotmail.com
- National Teams and Competitions
 - Stephen King president@floorball.org.au
 - Barb Summers summers.afa@gmail.com

AUSTRALIAN SPORTS COMMISSION UPDATE

The Australian Sports Commission (ASC) has recently held a seminar to explain the new funding arrangements for sport in Australia. Stephen King attended the seminar on behalf of floorball. The main point from the seminar is that going forward the ASC will now have 2 main avenues to fund sport. These are through either a High Performance Program or through a Participation Program.

The AFA has submitted applications for both with results expected to be announced in September/October this year.

STATE ASSOCIATIONS COMMITTEE MEMBERS

The AFA thanks greatly the following people who have volunteered their time to help their State Association. It is especially pleasing to see the number of new faces and the reestablishment of the ACT association. If you have any queries or want to help please contact the state people directly. Contact Stephen King on president@floorball.org.au if you need a contact in your state.

NSW

- Jason Cowland, Rainer Martiskin, Petr Prazan, Georges-Etienne Bureau, Amaru Medina, Michael McCallum, Natasha Ryan, Alan Clay, Stephen Mathias and Sam Turner

VIC

- Kim Davie, John Orr, Carl King, Mark Benfield, Chris Freimann, Gavin Staindl and Ray Staindl

QLD

- Carl Hammarlund, Anders Bergman, Jouko Laakso, Steve Malone and Karen Roberts

ACT

- Damien Hansen, David Speldewinde, Mark Kolaric and Rob Whelan

WA

- Andrew Cathie, Melanie Cathie, Phil Nillsen, Jason Petty, Tim Hardy and Scott Kay

Please don't hesitate to contact Steve King on president@floorball.org.au if you have any items you wish to have included in our next newsletter.
