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Dear CSA Team Delegates & CSA members,

We are over half way through the season:

Everyone is to read this letter - it will be available on Team App & web Read ALL the By-laws - One amendment has been made re scorecards.

https://shorturl.at/3SS08

Everyone is to abide by CSA's code of conduct - including spectators. CSA uses Team App, Facebook and Email to communicate to members.

ITEMS THAT HAVE BEEN ADDRESSED THIS SEASON

Balls

The quality of balls are bad this year. Mishaped/unusable balls to be put in a box at the green shed. Replacement balls are also available in the green shed requiring team name and number of balls on collection.

Equipment

Equipment not being packed away correctly.

Nets to be rolled with ropes inside

Mats need to be rolled not folded

Cones, pins, bases etc need to be placed back in the bags and zipped up.

Duties

Duties not being completed

Alcohol Consumption

Alcohol Consumption out of the zoned of area

Vaping/Smoking

On sidelines by playing members and on deadball lines by umpires.

Scorecards

Not being completed correctly, Examples have been put on the delegates page multiples of times.



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Recording information on the scorecards

3a. Scorecards Point 5 5. Injuries must be recorded on the scorecard (for insurance purposes). There is a section on the scorecards for teams to inform the committee of injuries or anything that you think needs to be addressed.

Umpires not handing scorecards in.

Please ensure that your umpires are aware that they are required to sign and return the scorecards to the Scorecard box at the canteen after the game. The penalty for this not being done will go to the team fixtures to do this duty.

Unpaid Fines

Please be aware if any fines remain unpaid after the required payment date that the committee reserves the right at any time to apply a further penalty and/or forfeit of games until this is finalised.

Plate umpires

(Under the age of 18), requires committee approval and would need to be doing this under the supervision of our chief umpire.

Automatic out rule

AUTOMATIC OUT CLARIFICATION

An automatic out will only be brought into play if a player is injured or ejected during a game and when the scheduled line-up comes under nine players. The opposing team may or may not choose to take the automatic out if the line-up comes under 9 players.

21 Mercy Rule

Mercy Rule is in place at CSA please see 21a of the by-laws for the clarification on this rule.

Pitching Rule Bylaw 17. Playing Rules Pitching

Please ensure you adhere to the CSA pitching rules, anyone repeatedly being pulled up for illegal pitching will run the risk of not being able to continue pitching.

Courtesy Runner Rule Bylaw 17. Playing Rules Courtesy Runner Other rule clarification A Courtesy Runner can only be substituted for a batter or batter-runner injured during the game. All players requiring a special courtesy runner due to an injury or condition existing before the game must apply to the Committee for approval. Committee approval will only last for the current season. Outside of injuries during the game. each team may only have one (1) player in the line-up that needs a special courtesy runner.

COVID/MEASLES

Please be vigilant. Stay home if you are unwell.

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IMPORTANT DATES SEASON CALENDAR

Please visit EVENTS on Team App. Printable season calendar available at

https://canningsoftball.teamapp.com/documents/1419848

16/07/2025 Mid-Season Delegates Meeting

16/08/2025 AGM

23/08/2025 Semi-Finals

30/08/2025 Preliminary Finals

06/09/2025 Grand Finals

CANTEEN, BAR AND BBQ's

Canteen hours: 11.30am-6:00 pm Bar hours: 11:30am-6:00pm

Payment accepted by cash or card.

There will be no tolerance for drinking outside of the designated areas. Clubs will be penalized

for not adhering to this. (Penalties included in the CSA by-laws)

Team BBQ's are allowed.

GAME TIMES

Early game Women: 12:30pm - 90 min game

Men: 12:30pm - 105 min game

Late Game Women: 2:45 pm - 90 min game

Men 2:45 pm - 105 min game

When warming up for late game please find a space away from the diamond especially if the early game is still running.

CONTACTING THE COMMITTEE

ALL committee members are volunteers who are very dedicated to make 2025 a successful season.

There is a Team App chat group for Committee & Delegates.

Committee email contacts are listed under "Contact us" on Team App.

Team delegate contacts list available under DOCUMENTS on Team App.

Other than the dedicated Team App chats - please email committee members - please do not use text or messenger apps.



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NON-COMMITTEE POSITIONS

Colin: Initial diamond layout and line marking

Kaye: Bar Manager Bar assistant: Rory

Canteen Assistant: Nathen Canteen assistant: Ella

EQUIPMENT TRANSPORT & DIAMOND EQUIPMENT

Equipment transport roster will be shared between the men's teams

- Every week before the 1st game & after the last game.
- Equipment is dropped off and picked up from the diamonds.

If the position isn't filled then HOME teams will need to pick up and return equipment to the green shed. Diamond setup/packup is HOME TEAMS responsibility.

Roster each round for teams to provide 2 assistants to help load the diamond equipment onto the trailer.

SPEAKERS/UMPIRES GEAR/CHANGEROOMS

The duty's roster will be shared between the women's teams and split between grades. A grade - speakers, B grade - Umpires gear and C grade - Changerooms.

Speakers cannot be packed up before 5:30PM unless otherwise organised with a Committee member.

- Every week before 11:30am
- Instructions are under DOCUMENTS on stack team app.

GAZEBOS

Are available for home and away dugouts on each diamond.

Are all labelled ie D8H, D8A.

Each and every team is responsible for collecting and packing away and returning their diamonds gazebos to the green shed. They CANNOT be transported on the equipment trailer. Fines will be applied if not packed away and returned.



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COMMUNICATIONS STAY INFORMED

We use Team App for communications with Delegates and Members.

All delegates have been invited to join Canning Softball on Stack Teamapp.

Delegates need to join the Delegates Access Group - after they have joined & signed into Team App. There are dedicated Team App Chat groups for

- i. Delegates & Committee only
- ii. General Q&A
- iii. Registration Q&A
- iv. Umpiring Q&A
- v. Property & Equipment
- vi. Forfeits please fill out as per the example in the chat

INSURANCE

Certificate of currency will be available under DOCUMENTS in the Stack team app.

TEAM FUNDRAISING / RAFFLES

Team raffle roster is available under DOCUMENTS on app/web https://canningsoftball.teamapp.com/documents/1419863l

If you want to join the roster please email secretary@canningsoftball.org.au Teams added on a first in basis.

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Please support fundraising efforts of teams at CSA.

REGISTRATION - PLAYERS & TEAM OFFICIALS

All members can sign in using the same email as original registration and check registration status under "Registrations -> My Registrations" on our app or web.

- 2 step process -
- 1. JOIN CSA on Stacks Team App (via app or web)
- 2. REGISTER for 2025 as PLAYER or OFFICIAL

ALL Players and Team Officials must be registered http://join.canningsoftball.org.au before taking the diamond.

Registered players and team officials will be updated Friday each week and published on Team App under DOCUMENTS.

https://canningsoftball.teamapp.com/documents/778746? detail=v1



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FIXTURES

Fixtures are available under FIXTURES on Team App

Email any issues or queries to registrar@canningsoftball.org.au

Men's Open

Play 15 regular season games no byes.

Women's A, B & C

Play all together & split for finals into A & A2; B, B2 & B3; C, C1

It is expected that if you play during the season that you will be able to field a team for finals.

SCORERS

If you need to train a new scorer then check out our scoring page at https://canningsoftball.teamapp.com/clubs/321961/

SCORECARDS

- CSA scorecards will be given out at the delegates meeting. Replacements for lost or damaged cards may be issued one at a time from the Canteen.
- ONLY the NEW scorecards will be accepted they need to be checked and signed by the opposition coach prior to the commencement of the game.
- Borrowed Players name and club they are registered with to be placed in the box provided on the scorecard.
- Fines for non-registration of players prior to the commencement of the game.
- Read what is required from you on the scorecard coaches/scorers/plate umpires.
- BOTH teams submit a scorecard to the plate umpire but ONLY the home team records the score.
- Plate umpire is to return BOTH scorecards to letterbox near the bar

UMPIRES

CSA welcomes umpires from other softball associations. If you are not playing, please register at http://join.canningsoftball.org.au

For more info on umpiring at CSA, game rules, bat regulations, required protective equipment etc please visit

https://canningsoftball.teamapp.com/clubs/321961/custom_pages/6509-umpiring?_detail=v1

Read CSA ByLaws https://canningsoftball.teamapp.com/documents/1419826

Be at the game 15 minutes before the scheduled start.

Team umpiring duties -



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- Issues with teams providing people who have NEVER umpired before to "have a go".
- Inexperienced/new umpires are to have 2 experienced people rostered along with them to do the umpiring duty.
- Fines may apply to teams who are found not providing enough experienced umpires.

PLATE UMPIRES

Equipment is available near the bar, if you use it please clean it and hang it back up where you found it.

See CSA By Laws for required protective equipment and penalty for non-compliance.

Hand x2 scorecards into the Scorecard letterbox at the bar.

Any disputes/protests/ejections/issues/ceasing play must be written on the card and By Laws followed.

Please ensure when you plate umpire at CSA that you are aware of the modified zone and call that zone, this can be found on the notice board in the front of the clubrooms.

BASE UMPIRES

If requested by a playing team to wear Hi-Vis vests then must do so. Sign scorecard.

BAT REQUIREMENTS

All teams and players should check their bats meet the requirements at https://canningsoftball.teamapp.com/custom pages/65098

BY-LAWS

SEVERAL RULE CLARIFICATIONS (C17)

All members are recommended to read the updated by-laws (with changes shown in gray and indicated by the date) available on TeamApp and the web under DOCUMENTS https://canningsoftball.teamapp.com/clubs/321961/documents/1314140

Here is a summary of important changes for 2025

6. Smoking, Vaping and Drinking

6b. Alcohol (Possession and Consumption)

No alcohol permitted at the CSA venue outside of the designated Licenced area.



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No BYO alcohol permitted at the CSA venue.

PENALTY: Any member or non-member (guest) of the Association that is observed consuming alcohol outside of the designated area or bringing their own alcohol to the grounds may, at the discretion of the Committee, result in the member's team being penalised. The team supported by a non-member that breaches this by-law will be responsible for that person/s' actions and will incur the same penalty as if that person/s were a member.

First Warning: A first warning in regards to possession and consumption of Alcohol at CSA outside of the zoned off drinking area will be to the Team Delegates at the pre-season delegates meeting and will be reiterated within the delegates letter handed out to those that attend, and emailed to all team delegates before the season starts.

Fines will apply after this point.

First offence: \$200 team fine Second offence: \$300 team fine

Third offence: Suspension of team for remainder of season

Next season: May return on 1 year probation, subject to Committee approval

First offence in next season: immediate and permanent expulsion

11. Registration of Members

Fine increased for unregistered players \$100.00

Other Rule Clarifications

 A Player can not take the diamond and then remove themselves when another player arrives and be replaced, once on the card they must play the game in its entirety. Penalties may apply.

25. Finals Qualifying Games

FiFo (fly in and Fly out) players will be required to play (3) games to qualify and will also be required to submit rosters to the registrar email address

Let's have a great rest of the season!

The Canning Softball Association

