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Subject: END OF SEASON CLUB FUNCTIONS

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Summary: The WAAFL encourages responsible consumption of alcohol, and clubs should not be responsible when players decide to arrange pub crawls and end of season trips away from club premises.	Action: None
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With the end of season looming, it is timely to remind clubs that they should distance themselves from end of season football trips, 'Mad Mondays', pub crawls after games etc.

The WAAFL encourages responsible consumption of alcohol, and clubs should not be responsible when players decide to arrange pub crawls and end of season trips away from club premises.

Where a club event is being conducted, clubs should ensure they have the appropriate liquor licenses for the time and day, and comply with the WAAFL Alcohol Management Policy and liquor licensing laws.

The WAAFL fully supports licensed bars at club premises, off site best and fairest counts, club balls etc., however we do not believe clubs should be responsible for offsite activities where the primary purpose is social consumption of alcohol.

JLT and the WAAFL are trying to ensure members, players and volunteers are sufficiently covered for insurance whilst representing the club. However, we do not want club's premiums and insurance coverage jeopardised by a minority who decide to consume alcohol inappropriately and hold the club responsible for their actions when things go wrong.

The most effective way to manage the club's risk when it comes to alcohol consumption, is to ensure they promote responsible consumption of alcohol, and the club does not arrange 'Mad Mondays', pub crawls or end of season football trips by promoting such events through club channels, supplying funds for drinks and booking transport.

This advice does not stop or restrict players from arranging these social events separately from the club.