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**Subject:** F-GRADE FORUM

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<b>Summary:</b> A club forum to finalise a suitable format and structure for F-Grade for 2019 is to be conducted 5.30pm Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> February 2019 at Gate 6, Subiaco Road, Subiaco Oval.	<b>Action:</b> RSVP to attend.
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F-Grade was developed in response to changing player habits and availability - with a shorter season, shorter quarters and less players on a team – all aimed at encouraging players to keep playing at their local amateur club and to create a pathway to Masters football.

The League remains committed to this initiative and invite interested clubs to attend the forum.

## Who should attend?

1. One team clubs thinking of establishing a 2<sup>nd</sup> team.
2. C4 clubs who may not be competitive may field an E-grade team and a 2<sup>nd</sup> team in F-grade.
3. Existing clubs struggling to field a 3<sup>rd</sup> team may choose F-Grade as a better option for its players.
4. Clubs with excess players.

Though team nominations close Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> February 2019, clubs may amend team nominations without penalty if they choose to field a F-Grade team after this forum.

If you wish to discuss further, please contact David Armstrong, General Manager.

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## Audited 2017/18 Financial Report

The 2017/18 audited Financial Report shows a surplus of \$88,747 (2017: \$88,591, 2016: 70,377).

Major variances to the 2016/17 Financial Report were:-

- Increased income gained from affiliation fees with additional womens teams.
- Increased sales from club playing jumper/shorts and footballs saw net profit increase by 23% to \$103,754 from the 2017 season.
- Grant income from the WAFC was less by \$28k as umpiring was transferred back to the WAFC for the 2018 season. This is also reflected in less expenditure in umpiring.
- Bad debts (\$9k) were incurred relating to the Kelmscott SFC who resigned as a Member Club in March 2018. The debts related to playing shorts, fines incurred and the last instalment of affiliation fees from 2017.
- Club development expenditure increased with playing jumpers provided for new womens teams.
- Less Fees and Charges (\$23k) were expended in 2018 as legal fees were not incurred as the Kelmscott Senior Football Club matter in the State Administrative Tribunal concluded. A portion of the League's legal fees were recovered through insurance.

### Affiliation fees (Cost to Play)

Affiliation fees per team increased by 0.3% from last season.

Year	Cost to Play Per Team	Affiliation Fees	Annual % change
2010	\$3,722	\$792,798	-
2011	\$3,566	\$834,329	-4.4%
2012	\$3,198	\$751,587	-11.5%
2013	\$3,273	\$792,140	2.3%
2014	\$3,111	\$730,989	-5.2%
2015	\$3,021	\$733,993	-3.0%
2016	\$3,012	\$728,936	-0.3%
2017	\$3,110	\$740,132	3.1%
2018	\$3,120	\$773,871	0.3%