

## AFL Cairns Representative Football

### **Coach Position Description**

#### **Introduction**

Welcome to another year of Representative Football in FNQ. AFL Cairns (AFLC) is excited to host another Indigenous South Pacific vs All Stars double-header (Men & Women) at Cazalys Stadium on AFL Indigenous Round.

AFLC received great feedback from the 2022 fixture and this Coach Position Description is one of many ways we are looking to improve this year.

#### **Nomination Process**

If you are interested in nominating for one of the Representative Coaching positions, please complete this [form](#). Alternatively, you can email the AFLC Senior Football Operations Manager, Ben Carbis, with the following information:

1. Full Name
2. Current Club or most recent Club
3. Representative Team you would like to coach
4. Preference for Head Coach or Assistant Coach

**Email:** [ben@aflcairns.com.au](mailto:ben@aflcairns.com.au)

Each team will be allocated one (1) Head Coach and a maximum of two (2) Assistant Coaches. Applications close on Tuesday 11 April 2023.

Head Coach announcements will be made by Friday 14 April 2023, Assistant Coaches shortly thereafter.

#### **AFLC Responsibilities**

Each year, AFLC commits to organising the best possible representative event in FNQ. This year is no different. AFLC will be responsible for the following:

- Promote the fixtures through various platforms, including social media, radio and website.
- Organise training apparel and equipment for all teams.
- Upon request from coaches, confirm training ground availability and access.
- Organise pre-game Welcome to Country ceremony.
- Organise post-game presentation and awards.
- Organise filming, livestream, commentary, umpires, match managers, trainers, volunteers and other match day staff.
- Distribute match statistics summary to all players, coaches and staff within 72hrs of match completion.
- Post social media content of all teams during training and on match day.

## **Coach Responsibilities**

This year, AFLC is allowing coaches to take more ownership of their team preparation and selection leading into the game on Friday 26 May 2023. Here is a short list of key responsibilities:

- Organise all training, recovery, and social sessions. This includes location, timings, communication with players and session plans.
- Appoint a Team Manager.
- Confirm player availability.
- Provide AFLC with relevant information to allow them to assist in game promotion.
- Adhere to the selection dates detailed below.
- Organise playing jersey presentation.
- Utilise the allocated budget in the best interest of the team.
- Incorporate GC SUNS Academy players to give them experience within a representative environment.
- Head Coach to work with AFLC to select Assistant Coaches.

## **Administration**

### Key Dates

**Club Coaches to receive Player Nomination Information:** Monday 17 April 2023

**Player Nominations Close:** Sunday 30 April 2023

**Training/Review Block:** Monday 01 May – Friday 05 May 2023

**Rep Coaches to announce respective Squads:** Sunday 07 May 2023

**Training Block:** Monday 08 May – Friday 19 May 2023

**Rep Coaches to announce Final Teams:** Monday 22 May 2023

**Training Block:** Tuesday 23 May – Thursday 25 May 2023

**Match Day:** Friday 26 May 2023

### Budget

Each team coaching group will be allocated \$250 to spend on team expenses. All expenditure requires AFLC approval for payment processing. Examples of acceptable expenses include team dinners, prizes and awards, guest speakers, and additional team kit. Any remaining funds at the completion of the fixture will be held by AFLC.

### Gold Coast Suns Academy

Each team will have the opportunity to include GC SUNS Academy players within their squad outside of the allocated numbers. Up to three (3) of these players may be included in the final team as runners.

### Team Numbers

Each team will be allowed the following number of players:

**Squad:** 35

**Final Team:** 22 + 3 emergencies

Applications for additional players must be made through AFLC.

### Match Day Information

All details regarding match day, including fixture timings, access to changerooms, warm up areas, and post-game presentations will be distributed closer to the date.

### Team Apparel

AFLC currently holds the following apparel for each team in a variety of sizes:

- Training Tops x 35
- Playing Jersey x 28
- Playing Socks x 28
- Playing Shorts x 28

Apparel will be distributed to coaches once Final Teams are announced.

### **Questions?**

The Senior Operations Manager, Ben Carbis, will be your AFLC point of contact for any questions, queries, or concerns.

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