



NORTHERN  
NSW FOOTBALL

# GRASSROOTS WEEK

Grassroots week is the launch of Grassroots Coach Education in Northern NSW in 2011 and consists of 21 courses being run state-wide over a three day period. This year we have extended this initiative to include OPTUS Small-Sided Football Instructing referees Accreditation courses for people wishing to take the first steps in becoming a fully accredited match official.

ALL courses during Grassroots week are FREE of charge and all are welcome to attend a course, regardless of the football knowledge. All you need to do is register and turn up on the night.

## What are these courses?

**The Grassroots Coaching Certificate** is a three hour course aimed at beginner coaches and teachers of players up to 10 years of age. It is designed to give them a basic understanding of their role and to provide them with practical ideas for training sessions.

**The OPTUS Small-Sided Football Instructing Referee Accreditation** is a one and a half hour course designed to train children aged between 12-14yrs to manage and control under 9 & under 10 OSSF matches. With this accreditation they will be eligible to receive payment for refereeing these matches under the official Northern NSW Football Match Official Payment structure.

## Where and when will they be held?

Course Date	Course Location	Course Time	Course Type	Cost
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> April	Brunswick Heads JSC, Thompson Oval, Old Pacific Highway	6:00pm – 9:00pm	Grassroots Coaching Certificate	FREE
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> April	Alstonville Soccer Club, Geoff Watt Oval	6:00pm – 9:00pm	Grassroots Coaching Certificate	FREE
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> April	Casino Soccer Club, Colley Park	6:00pm – 9:00pm	Grassroots Coaching Certificate	FREE
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> April	Alstonville Soccer Club, Geoff Watt Oval	6:00pm – 7:30pm	Instructing Referee Course	FREE
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> April	Byron Bay Soccer Club, Recreation Grounds	6:00pm – 7:30pm	Instructing Referee Course	FREE

## How do I Register?

For Grassroots courses you will need to register online. Please [CLICK HERE](#) to register for a course near you

For OPTUS Small-Sided Football Instructing Referee Accreditation courses there is NO pre-registering, you only need to turn up on the night.

### ***'Better Coaches, Better Football'***

The education of coaches has a major impact on the quality of football in Australia. By educating coaches, we are striving to ensure that not only players of all levels, but also coaches of all levels enjoy quality football experiences that will grow their love of football and make them lifelong members of the football family. As a result, football as a whole will be better.

