

# AFLINIES AT BYRON

# **OCTOBER 24 & 25**

BYRON BAY CAVANBAH CENTRE SPORTS & CULTURAL COMPLEX

PLAYER HANDBOOK



# INTRODUCTION

Welcome to AFL Nines at Byron. This handbook aims to provide you with the information you need to ensure a successful and positive experience at the 2025 edition of AFL Nines at Byron.

The online fixture can be found by clicking here.

# **KEY CONTACTS**

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# **KEY INFORMATION**

#### **BE REGISTERED**

Every player must be registered to participate in this event, which includes insurance coverage. Further information on general participation can be found within the Participation section.

#### **TEAMS**

A maximum of 15 players may register and participate per team. 9 on the field, up to 6 on the bench.

#### **DAYLIGHT SAVINGS**

All timings within this document are NSW local time - Australian Eastern Daylight Savings Time.

#### **MATCH TIMINGS**

All matches are 2 x 15-minute halves, with a 5-minute half-time. Sirens will sound on all ovals simultaneously. If teams are not ready, time lost will be forfeited for the respective match.

### FOOD & MAROUEE OPENING TIMES

Friday: Food/Marquee 1:30pm - 6:30pm

Saturday: Food 8:30am, Marquee 10:00am - 6:30pm

#### **PRESENTATIONS**

Following the finals fixture, a small medal ceremony will take place for the winning teams. Photos will also be captured.

#### PHOTOS/SOCIALS/MEDIA

Photos will be captured during the event and made available by AFL Queensland. A videographer may be present at matches (where we have obtained media releases) as we may film content to support future AFL Nines events.

AFL Queensland Socials Team may be present on the Saturday. You may be approached to feature on the AFLQ channels.

If any team does not want to be featured please contact the event organisers or confirm with the team at event.

FIXTURES - TO VIEW THE FIXTURE <u>ONLINE CLICK HERE</u>.

FRIDAY 24TH OCTOBER: 3:00PM - 5:45PM SATURDAY  $25^{TH}$  OCTOBER: 10:00AM - 4:30PM

WE ENCOURAGE ALL TEAMS TO CELEBRATE AFTER MATCHES HAVE CONCLUDED IN THE MARQUEE AREA.



# ON ARRIVAL (BOTH DAYS)

#### **CHECK IN**

On arrival, please ensure your team captain visits the AFL tent to check your team in. This hub is your go to for any information throughout the event. Teams should aim to arrive at least 30 minutes prior to their first match for the day.

# **SETTING UP A BASE/BRINGING YOUR OWN TENT**

We encourage all teams to set up base inside or around the main marquee, as well as making use of the smaller tents that are located around the main field.

3x3/6x3 tents may be erected, however must be weighted on each leg due to no pegs being allowed on any surface across the precinct. No weights will be provided by the AFL. If pegs are found, teams will be asked to dismantle their tent.

# FOOD & DRINK

We encourage all teams to utilise the food and drink vendors at AFL Nines at Byron. Not only are there terrific options, you also support local businesses.

#### **WATER & WATER STATIONS**

Due to Byron Shire Council's Single Use Policy, bottled water is not available for purchase, however there will be water tubs/stations set up around the precint for free use. Please ensure your players hydrate during the event.

#### KOMBI KEG - FRI/SAT

Alcohol based drinks will be served for patrons within the marquee area. Card is preferred, however, small cash bills may be accepted. Friday 1:30pm - 6:30pm, Saturday 10:30am - 6:00pm.

The licensed area is inside the marquee fenced area (purple in the map below). Drinks must not be taken outside this area, and no BYO is allowed as per NSW liquor licensing rules. Security will seize this if found, and you may be asked to leave the event. Please refer to Participation for further information on the consumption of alcohol.

# **BYRON HOMEMADE PIZZA - FRI/SAT**

Byron Homemade pizza will serve from their window next to the main oval. Card only.

# JIMMY'S COFFEE - SAT ONLY

Coffee and snacks are available under the awning on Oval one from 9:00am - 2:30pm. Card and cash are accepted.

#### THE FISH CLUB - SAT ONLY

The Fish Club will serve from Oval one. Breakfast, lunch, dinner and snacks are available. 8:30am to 6:00pm. Card and cash are accepted.

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# **PRIZES**

The winning team of each division will win \$3,000 and an AFL Nines team discount voucher valued at \$450. Terms and conditions regarding prizes can be found on our website <u>here</u> and should be read by all players.

Following the event, the winning Captain will be contacted by event organisers regarding their prize. Any cash prize monies will be transferred within 14 days post event.

# PARTICIPATION, RULES, REGULATIONS

AFL Nines at Byron encapsulates a relaxed vibe and aims to bring people together for a fun-filled two days.

This event is tackle-free and all players should adhere to the rules set out in the Rules & Regulations section of our website <a href="here">here</a>. Rules may differ from what is played at other competitions, and we encourage players to view these event-specific rules before taking the field.

The AFL does not condone or support the consumption of alcohol during match fixtures and advises all players not to engage in the consumption of alcohol until after their matches have concluded.

All registered players are covered under the AFL Nines personal accident policy.

The personal accident policy has an exclusion for claims arising from the Insured Person being under the influence of intoxicating liquor or any other drug unless it was prescribed by a Medical Practitioner and taken in accordance with the Medical Practitioner's advice.

As such if players consume alcohol between matches and are subsequently injured in games, then cover for any injury claim may be excluded.

# **FIRST AID**

First aid is located at the red/white square on map below. Roaming first aid will also be available.

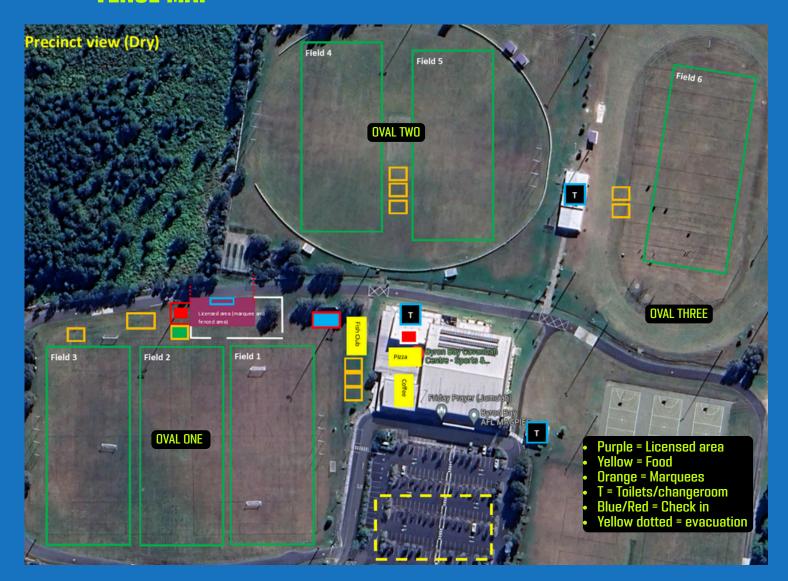
Strapping is available for free if own tape is provided, or at a small cost if tape needs to be supplied.

As the event is in NSW, there may be charges by NSW Ambulance upon call-out, unless the player has private health insurance or a concession card. Any charges are to be covered in full by the individual requiring paramedic support.

The AFL will not cover any associated call out or medical costs.

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# **VENUE MAP**



# **EMERGENCY AND WEATHER**

#### **EMERGENCY**

In the event of an emergency, triple zero (000) will be called and instructions delivered by responders are to be followed by all players, patrons and staff.

In the event of an evacuation, all patrons should move to the car park (yellow square above).

#### **WEATHER**

AFL Nines at Byron uses the National Community Football Handbook policies on heat, weather and lightning. In the event there is a disruption to matches, team captains will be communicated to via text and/or email.



# KEEP KICKING AFTER BYRON

No ladders. No drills. No pressure to perform. Just the social, fast, and flexible version of the game you love.



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