



NSFA SKELLERN CUP

2019





Welcome to the NSFA Skellern Cup!

Hosted at the Northern Suburbs Football Association (NSFA) home of football, the NSFA Skellern Cup is once again gearing up to be an exciting two days of school football. Bringing together primary school teams from across the Northern Suburbs of Sydney, the gala day intends to celebrate girls playing football by showcasing the inclusiveness, enjoyment and camaraderie the game provides.

The NSFA Skellern Cup is named after Amanda and Kimberley Skellern, twin sisters who have played representative club football for Northern Tigers FC for over 11 years after beginning their football careers at local club West Pymble FC. Be sure to keep your eyes peeled for the Skellern sisters over the two days who will be on hand to motivate teams, give advice and soak up the atmosphere.



Before you arrive at the ground be sure to read on, discovering our unique points system that will eventually crown the winners of the NSFA Skellern Cup.

Enjoy the two days!

Ed Ferguson

NSFA Skellern Cup tournament organiser



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2018 Skellern Cup update

Over 500 girls took to the field at North Turramurra Recreation Area on Wednesday 19th and Thursday 20th September for the second NSFA Skellern Cup.

Last year's edition saw a total of eighteen schools from across the NSFA region (covering the Hornsby, Ku-ring-gai, Willoughby, North Sydney and Lane Cove LGAs) and a total of 43 teams from years 3 through 6 enjoying their football!

"This number of teams is a remarkable increase upon the 25 teams that attended the inaugural Skellern Cup in 2017," commented Ed Ferguson, Tournament Organiser and NSFA Community Football Manager.

"All the schools have really got behind the tournament and it's been great to see plenty of new football players giving their all alongside the experienced ones."

Once again, the competition trophies, one for junior teams (years 3 and 4) and one for senior teams (years 5 and 6), were awarded on a broad list of criteria that included positive encouragement of each other and opposition and exhibiting school spirit and good sportsmanship.

The Junior Cup was awarded to Pymble Public School on Wednesday and the Senior Cup was awarded to Ravenswood on Thursday.

Special thanks to Jennifer Anderson, Mayor of Ku-ring-gai, for participating in the trophy presentation on Wednesday as well as Young Matildas representatives Jada Whyman and Taylor Ray for attending the tournament and bringing plenty of smiles to faces!

The NSFA Skellern Cup is named after **Amanda and Kimberley Skellern**, twin sisters who have played for **Northern Tigers FC**, the NSFA representative football club, for the past ten years and started their football careers with local club West Pymble FC.

Referees for the tournament were provided by **XLR8 Player Development**, while representatives from **Football NSW** were also present running mini-games for the girls in between their matches.

Full list of attending schools;

Artarmon Public School, Castle Cove Public School, Chatswood Public School, Gordon East Public School, Gordon West Public School, Hornsby Heights Public School, Hornsby North Public School, Neutral Bay Public School, Mount Colah Public School, Pymble Public School, Ravenswood School for Girls, Roseville Public School, St Ives North Public School, St Thomas Catholic Primary School – Willoughby, Turramurra Public School, Wahroonga Preparatory School, Wideview Public School, West Pymble Public School.

[**2017 NSFA Skellern Cup Video**](#)

NSFA Skellern Cup Important information

The NSFA Skellern Cup will take place across two days of Term 3, providing all primary school aged girls in Year 3 – 6 the chance to take part in our association wide football gala day.

Each day will bring together schools and girls from throughout the Northern Suburbs of Sydney, inviting over 40 schools, stretching from Neutral Bay to Brooklyn. Each school can nominate as many teams as they like, with a recommended squad size of 13 players plus a coach/teacher. Games will be played on small-sided fields of 9 vs 9, with a competition winner awarded following our unique points system.

The day intends to celebrate girls playing football, bringing together regular players and non-players to showcase the inclusiveness, enjoyment and camaraderie football as a sport provides.

Juniors will play on **Wednesday 25th September (Wet weather day – 23rd October)**

Year 3 & 4

Seniors will play on **Thursday 26th September (Wet weather day – 24th October)**

Year 5 & 6

Time:	Activity:
9:15am	Welcome address
9:30am	Matches commence
~2:00pm	Official closing ceremony

Upon arrival please visit the competition coordinators tent to confirm your attendance.



GENERAL INFORMATION

COST

The NSFA Skellern Cup is a free event, with no cost to the school for entering teams.

REGISTRATION

To register teams for the NSFA Skellern Cup please follow the below link and fill out all information. If you would like to speak with someone please call Ed Ferguson – (02) 9449 4933

[NSFA Skellern Cup Registration form - 2019](#)

LOCATION:

All games will be played at the NSFA Home of football, North Turramurra Recreational Area (NTRA), North Turramurra. The newly built facility boasts three full size football fields, amenities and parking to accommodate hundreds of players and spectators. Map below.

[Online map – North Turramurra Recreational Area \(NTRA\)](#)

North Turramurra Recreational Area (NTRA), 361 Bobbin Head Road, North Turramurra.

Located in the same precinct as the North Turramurra golf course.

PARKING:

NTRA has over 250 parking spots, including bus bays.

FACILITIES:

North Turramurra Recreational Area (NTRA) boasts newly built amenities facilities, with two change rooms and public toilets.

FIRST AID & RISK ASSESSMENT:

On both days of the tournament a first aid tent will be set up next to the competition coordinators table. A first aid officer will be on hand to assist, along with ice and medical supplies. A risk assessment will be completed and sent to all schools on request and prior to the tournament.

FOOD AND DRINK:

A BBQ will be operating on both days to provide some much needed sustenance to the players, spectators and teachers during the football-centric day. The BBQ will operate during lunch time.

\$3 – sausage sizzle

\$5 – sausage sizzle + drink

FOOTBALL GUIDELINES

Playing formats:

Juniors – Year 3 & 4 girls will play a 9 vs 9 format on fields 55m in length, 40m wide. 25 min games.

Seniors – Year 5 & 6 girls will play 9 vs 9 format on fields 65m in length, 45m wide. 25 min games.

All teams will play with goals of 5m x 2m, with a maximum of four substitutes per team.

Playing rules:

The NSFA Skellern Cup will follow NSFA MiniRoos competition regulations 2018, Under 10/11 age groups.

For more information please see section 3.12.7 b) of the NSFA MiniRoos Competition regulations, link provided below.

[NSFA MiniRoos Competition regulations 2019](#)

Game leaders / referees:

NSFA will provide all game leaders and referees for the event.

Other

In the case of a colour clash NSFA will provide bibs.

NSFA will provide all playing balls and goals for the event.

In addition to last year, we will be creating an 'XLR8 Skill Zone' and Competition area for players to compete alongside professional female football players.

School checklist:

Responsibility:	Item:	Check
School/teacher	Circulate information package to parents/students	
School/teacher	Communicate points system with students	
Teacher	Confirmation of attendance on morning of tournament	
Student	Full playing strip (shirt, shorts and socks)	
Student	Football gear – shinpads and boots	
Student	Lunch	
Student	School colours & song	

NSFA Skellern Cup Points system

The NSFA Skellern Cup will implement a unique set of criteria each school must work towards in order to be awarded NSFA Skellern Cup winners.

The following points will be **awarded only ONCE** during the day by the Skellern sisters!

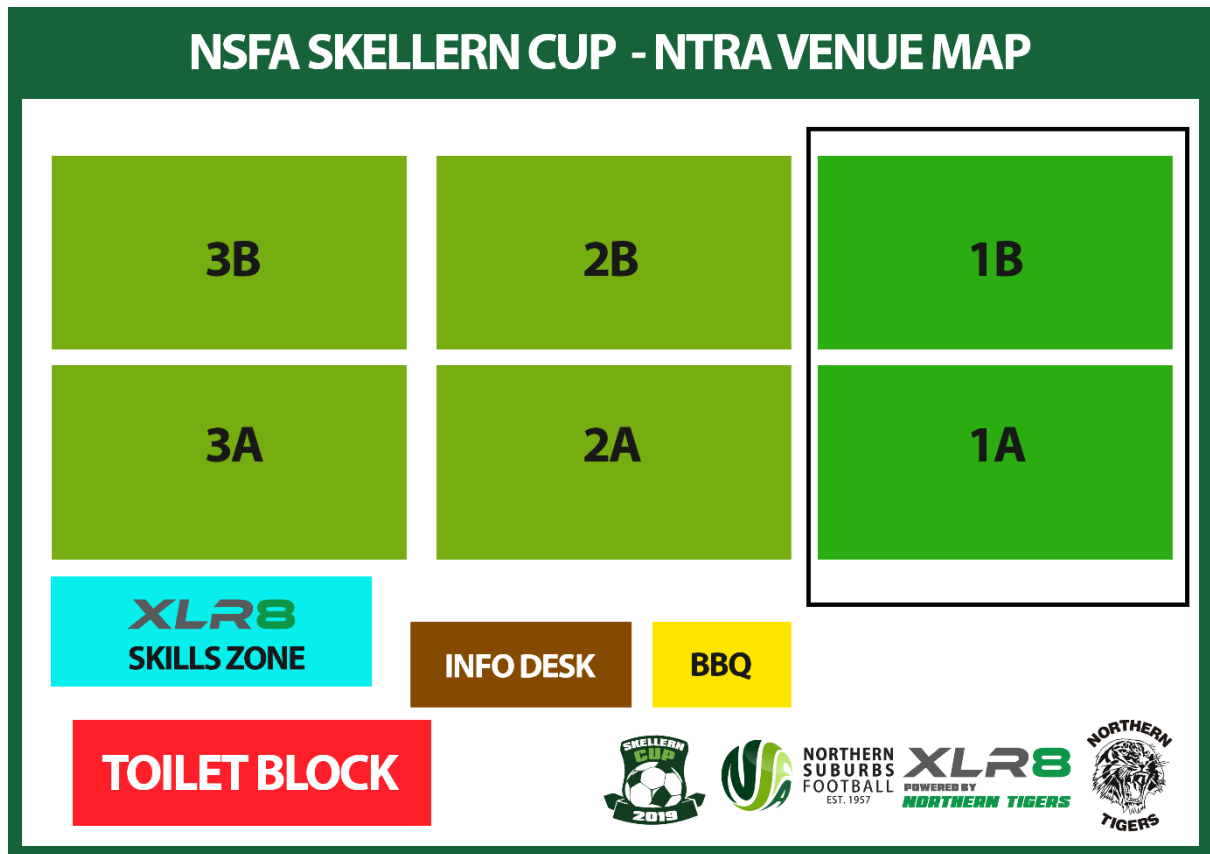
Criteria	Points Awarded per team (once only)
School colours worn (players, parents, coaches)	5
Friendly atmosphere	5
Skellern Bonus points	10
Photo in the instagram frame + post	3
	<i>Total of 23 bonus points available</i>

The following points will be **awarded for EACH MATCH** of the day.

Criteria	Points available	Team A - points awarded	Team B - points awarded
COACHES			
Continual encouragement of both teams	2		
Rotating positions of players	2		
<i>Total of 4 points available</i>			
PLAYERS			
Passing the ball to involve ALL players in the game	2		
Positive comments & actions by team overall	2		
Good sportsmanship	1		
<i>Total of 5 points available</i>			
SPECTATORS			
Positive comments and support to all players and referees	2		
MATCH			
Goals scored (per goal)	1		
Total points			



SKELLERN CUP VENUE MAP



NSFA Skellern Cup Contact

Should you need to contact us at any point please use one of the following methods:

Ed Ferguson – Competition coordinator

Edward.ferguson@nsfa.asn.au

Phone: 0432 509 991 or (02) 9449 4933

In case of wet weather, contact will be made with the nominated school contact.

