



BEST AND FAIREST VOTING POLICY

Purpose:

This policy is designed to provide guidance to all members, players, parents, committee and team officials in ensuring that we have a consistent approach to the best and fairest voting and the presentation of awards across each age group.

Weekly best and fairest voting must recognise, in the vote giver's eyes, the best five players on the ground for the club and they are to remain confidential at all times.

Application:

This policy applies to all junior and senior teams, unless prior approval from the president on a different voting system is granted (seniors only).

Under no circumstances are the votes to be used as encouragement awards. Encouragement awards can be supplied each week to each team, and they are used at the discretion of the coach, regardless of whether or not they have been among the best 5 on the ground.

By season's end, every player on all team lists will have received an encouragement award.

Guidelines:

The voting form will be set out as follows:

- 5 votes for the best DCWFC player on the ground
- 4 votes for the 2nd best DCWFC player on the ground
- 3 votes for the 3rd best DCWFC player on the ground
- 2 votes for the 4th best DCWFC player on the ground
- 1 vote for the 5th best DCWFC player on the ground

The three voting forms will be completed by the following:

1. The Coaching panel (Coach, Assistant Coach and Team Manager)
2. Parent
3. Parent

Procedure during the season:

The Coach will arrange for the coaching panel to complete a voting form each week.

The Coach and Team Manager will nominate two parents each week to complete a second and third voting form with an envelope to seal them shut once voted. The envelope will have the Team Name, date and the opposition name written on the front. To ensure all parents are given an opportunity to vote, the Team Manager will keep a list of parents who have voted to ensure all parents are given an opportunity.

The completed votes will be handed to the Team Manager in the sealed envelope. On the back of the envelope, the Team Manager will list any details of "Yellow or Red cards", send offs or issues. The purpose of the incident information on the back of the envelope is to allow the DCWFC to counsel any player, Coach or parent breaching the club's Codes of Conduct.

Should any player receive a DCWFC or NFNL suspension during the home and away season, they are eligible to receive and accumulate best and fairest votes; however, they will be ineligible to receive DCWFC best and fairest awards.

Voting for the best and fairest award concludes at the end of the home and away season.

Envelopes remained sealed until the end of the season, and no running tally to be completed.



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Procedure for presentation day:

Each team will receive 7 trophies to award to players.

At season end, the Coach and Team Manager count the votes in conjunction with the Vice President Juniors and the Coaches Co-ordinator.

The trophies / awards will be set out as follows:

- Best and Fairest winner
- Best and Fairest 2nd place
- Best and Fairest 3rd place
- Coaches Award
- 3 other awards at the coach’s discretion

In the case of a tied vote, there will be no count back system. If 2 players end up on the same amount of votes winning the best and fairest, both players are recognised as best and fairest winners. These awards are listed in the club’s Annual Report.

Coach Voting Slip:

Round number: Team: Date / / 2018

5 votes Players nameand/or Number.....

4 votes Players name and/or Number.....

3 votes Players name and/or Number.....

2 votes Players name and/or Number.....

1 vote Players name and/or Number.....

“Top up” players who starred

COACH NAME and SIGNATURE.....

Parent / Supporter Voting Slip:

Round number: Team: Date / / 2018

Best player 5 votes Players nameand/or Number.....

2nd Best player 4 votes Players nameand/or Number.....

3rd Best player 3 votes Players nameand/or Number.....

4th Best player 2 votes Players nameand/or Number.....

5th Best player 1 vote Players nameand/or Number.....