**SCCSA CHALLENGE CUP 2024**

**MATCH INFORMATION**

The number games and game duration for each age group is at the discretion of SCCSA and shall be advised prior to the commencement of competition when the draw is finalised.

**CHALLENGE CUP**

The Challenge Cup is given to the team that demonstrates a positive spirit and attitude, shows respect to all officials and has the best sideline support. Points are given by the Centre referee and the 2 Assistant Referees for each game (1 being poor to 5 being outstanding). This trophy is presented after the last games the tournament, as each age group finished their day the team in the running will be announce at their presentation.

**COMPETITION POINTS**

Results tables for each age group will be updated periodically and available for view via sccsa website.

The following points are awarded for each match.

Win – 4 Points

Score Draw – 2 Points

Nil All Draw – 1 Point

Loss – 0 Points

The winner of each age group will be decided at the completion of all games for that age group. The method to be used for each age group is at the discretion of SCCSA and shall be advised prior to the commencement of competition when the draw is finalised.

In the event of a forfeit, the non-forfeiting team will receive 4 Points and 3 goals for. The forfeiting team will receive no points and may also be required to attend a discipline hearing along with their respective zone or affiliate.

Should a match be abandoned for any reason SCCSA shall chair a meeting, to decide the outcome of the match and any further actions deemed necessary. This decision will be final with no rights of appeal.

**COMPETITION RULES**

The same competition rules apply to the Sunshine Coast Challenge Cup as they do for the normal SCCSA competition and these are available on the SCCSA website [www.sccsa.org.au](http://www.sccsa.org.au)

16 players on a match card for any one game and normal interchange rules apply.

Coaches, Managers and substitute players must remain in the Technical Area.

Any yellow cards that are accrued during the Sunshine Coast Challenge do not carry over into the normal club competition. A player receiving 3 yellow cards across 3 games will incur a one match suspension.

Any red cards given out during the Sunshine Coast Challenge Cup, will be dealt with during this competition, in the fact that players will be suspended from matches for how many games the offence committed is deemed worthy by discipline. Serious offences will be dealt with by an appropriate Discipline Panel convened specifically for that purpose. If this suspension carries over into the normal club competition, the player’s Association/Club will be notified.
Any official, coach, manager, player, spectator or neutral person not adhering to the rules of the competition as accepted by SCCSA, or not acting within the spirit of these rules will be dealt with by SCCSA in the first instance. Further action where deemed necessary will be taken in all cases.