



Memo

To:	Outer East Football Netball Clubs & YRUA
Date:	March 2, 2023
Subject:	AFL Victoria Affiliation
From:	Brett Connell (CEO)

Dear OEFN Clubs & the YRUA,

On Monday evening the OEFN held our 2022 AGM. At this meeting the Member Clubs considered (3) constitutional changes related to club transfers amongst the normal business conducted at an AGM.

The Members present passed the wording changes to (1) clause and the removal of (2) clauses as recommended by the OEFN Board.

Passing these changes has enabled OEFN and AFL Victoria to reach common ground on terms and conditions of an affiliate funding agreement for the 2023 season.

The agreement with AFL Victoria specifically relates to Club Development and outlines responsibilities OEFN has in terms of support for all of our clubs and the YRUA.

More information will follow in relation to the Club Development support.

AFL Victoria affiliation status also provides OEFN clubs and the YRUA the following benefits:

- OEFN to be considered a stand-alone football & netball competition in the same category as other metropolitan competitions ie. EFNL, SFNL, VAFA
- OEFN club and YRUA access to grants and funding programs ie. Strategic Community Investment Fund (SCIF) and Country Football Netball Grants Program (CFNGP)
- YRUA umpire access to AFL Victoria Umpire Development & Academy Programs
- Involvement in the Community Club Sustainability Program (CCS) and Player Points System (PPS)
- OEFN access to AFL Victoria Community Football policies, rules and regulations – where OEFN Policies, rules and regulations are silent
- OEFN access to AFL and AFL Victoria resources ie. Integrity Officers, PPS Auditors
- OEFN to be included in any discussions in regard to strategic initiatives that will affect our competition and region ie. liaison with AFL Victoria Participation Managers and RGMs of neighbouring regions

OEFN would like to thank AFL Victoria for working closely together in the last month and for reaching mutual ground on several matters pertaining to Affiliation Status.



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OEFN look forward to working collaboratively with AFL Victoria to grow the game in our region and build sustainable clubs and competition structures whereby community football can develop and thrive in years to come.

In closing we would like to thank the OEFN Clubs and YRUA for their support in relation to this matter.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Brett Connell', written over a faint, light blue watermark of the signature.

Brett Connell
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Chief Executive Officer