



FOOTBALL FEDERATION
TASMANIA

FROM THE DESK OF THE TECHNICAL DIRECTOR

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A four night Junior Licence course ended in Kingston on Wednesday, one of the first such courses held in Tasmania under the new national coaching methodology required by Football Federation Australia.

I have been preaching the merits of the new coaching methods. I now make no apologies for allowing people who attended the course to provide their feedback on what they thought.

The Junior Licence is the next step up from Grassroots. There is no assessment requirement. Full attendance results in a Junior Licence Certificate.

"The Junior Licence Coaching Course has been an invaluable experience in many ways, as a coach and as a player. Having next to no coaching experience and having only played one season of football so far, I came into the course with very limited knowledge of the game compared to many other participants. The focus on game based drills and the new age approach using the current football curriculum allowed us all to gain valuable coaching information, no matter the level of experience we brought to the group."

(Jo Donald, Nelson Eastern Suburbs Football Club)

"I would encourage any coach, regardless of experience, in charge of junior teams to attend the course as they will no doubt find it beneficial and give them an insight into the direction and commitment the FFA is taking with regards to coaching and player development."

(Milan Lukic)

"I personally found this course enlightening, fulfilling and challenging. I learned a lot, had fun and would recommend any would be coach to enrol."

(Michael Voss)

"We were all encouraged and commended on what we did. The tips and suggestions made the whole concept of coaching really simple and clear, building up the confidence of all of us."

(Neil Rundle)

"I will be able to coach more effectively and with more confidence with the knowledge I have gained."

(Mark Asman)

"A very practical course, full of new, interesting ways of coaching junior players."

(Neil Harris)

"Although I've had a lot of coaching experience, I found the Junior Licence course gave me an excellent overview of the key principles to be used in coaching, which I'm confident will transform my future coaching."

(John Vivarelli)

"The course was held in an open environment without pressure. It became obvious very early that everybody was there to improve the game for the kids."

(Mal Hutton)

"The course is a great step towards being a successful coach and allowing the players to develop the basic and more complex skills."

(Manuel Vavoulas)

"My coaching improved even after the first session and by the end of the course I certainly became a more capable and confident coach."

(Tim Sloan)

"The course was a majority of practical work, which totally removed any concerns with theory. Fantastic."

(Fiona Harms)

My thanks to all of those who enthusiastically took part in the course and my thanks to Kingborough football club for acting as hosts.

Another Junior Licence course is taking place June 5 and 6 in Hobart.
You can enrol on the FFT website. Cost \$75.