



# NEWS May 15



*Korfball for all ages and all reasons and always mixed*

## A new focus

This month marks the establishment of the new Korfball Australia website with all the expected connections from clubs to states to international korfball websites and social media. What this means for this newsletter is an opportunity to take a new focus. This will be to consider more aspects related to the professional administration of our sport such as player development, coaching and refereeing.

But we don't want it to be something you just erase from your email as soon as it arrives! We will bring your attention to special connections and we want to expand the topics of interest beyond those mentioned as a focus above. Perhaps this is the place for discussion about issues in korfball like gender equity, regional support, where our resources are used and youth issues.

## The Website

<http://korfball.org.au>

There are lots of things the new website will do better for us. Like any other it is a source of information - a means for connecting with others wherever they are in the world of korfball. The website is offering more because it now means, for example, that we can have resources much more easily and cheaply available thus cutting down administrative expenses and allowing more to be available for more pressing needs. Some areas of the website are still under construction so if you cannot find what you want you can contact us at

Email: [Australia@korfball.org.au](mailto:Australia@korfball.org.au)

## Team Australia

Both squads are well into training for the IKF World Championships in Belgium and the IKF U23 Asia Oceania Championships in Chinese Taipei.

You can check their progress on the website.

<http://korfball.org.au/national-team>

We are also looking for manager(s) or groups interested in supporting our squad for the World Championships in Belgium in October-November. The management can be for the Australian based part and/or the international travel so there are options there to suite your availability. If you are interested in assisting our squad in other ways too, such as medical support, please contact

Megan at [secretary@au.korfball.org.au](mailto:secretary@au.korfball.org.au)

or me at [psibbons@bluize.com.au](mailto:psibbons@bluize.com.au)

For the **2015 IKF U23** we plan to leave on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> July with training/tourism on the way then fly to Chinese Taipei on the 22<sup>nd</sup> and have some friendly matches on the 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>. The tournament accreditation is on the 25<sup>th</sup> and the tournament runs 26/7 – 2/8.

Most grateful thanks to players, clubs, partners and parents supporting the squads already.

## Phil Sibbons Open and U23 Coach



### Australia Squads *Fund Raising*

The Australian Squad (U23 & Open) has been given the opportunity to host a cakes stall at the Bunnings Mile End store, **Sat June 20<sup>th</sup>**, and a BBQ Mile End Store on **Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> July**

Find out more at

<http://korfball.org.au/national-team>



*Australia has been part of every IKF World Championships since the first in 1984.*



## ***Congratulations***

to **Sharyn Bungey** on being appointed as team manager for the Australia team for the IKF U23 Asia- Oceania Championships.

Sharyn has had an illustrious career in korfball including being one of the first and longest serving members of the Australia team in Open World Championships.

Sharyn can be seen in the Australia team picture above (front row far left)



We seek expressions of interest for the position of  
**MANAGER**  
for the  
**2015 IKF WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS**  
(to be held in Belgium in November)

For application criteria, email me in the first instance and I will provide details.

Megan Marks [secretary@au.korfball.org.au](mailto:secretary@au.korfball.org.au)

## ***Congratulations***

to **Luke Rosie** on being appointed as a referee in the 2015 IKF World Championships in Belgium later this year.

Luke has had a distinguished career as a national player and as a referee in regional and world championships at different levels.



Australian Council for Health, Physical Education and Recreation

Korfball Australia is pleased to be a member of ACHPER (Australian Council of Health Physical Education and Recreation Inc.)

You can find out more about ACHPER and its services to teachers and sports at

<http://www.achper.org.au>



*Luke refereeing in the IKF Asia Oceania Championships in 2014*



*Teachers and advisors from Indonesia, Singapore and Australia experiencing korfball at the ACHPER International Conference in Adelaide where we presented a workshop on improving gender relations through korfball.*



## NATIONAL CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS 6-7th June

Whitten Oval Stadium  
417 Barkly St. West Footscray Victoria

Further information about after tournament dinner, nominations and the playing draw will be emailed to all clubs and associations as they become available.

Contact Person ; Megan Marks

[secretary@au.korfball.org.au](mailto:secretary@au.korfball.org.au)

For more information keep in touch at

<http://korfball.org.au/national-club-championships>



Korfball Australia

## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> June at Whitten Oval Sports Complex  
(where NCC held)  
at approximately 12noon.  
President and Secretary positions become vacant.

Please forward by email nominations for positions to

[secretary@au.korfball.org.au](mailto:secretary@au.korfball.org.au)

## Congratulations

to **Grace Cullen** and **Riley Cullen** on achieving the **Gold Level in the Korfball Youth Leader Award.**

*Grace and Riley' over the past two years, have received acclaim in demonstrating leadership skills in their korfball activities and in their high school community at St John's College in Adelaide.*

If you are 13 to 19 years old, there is an opportunity for you to learn more about korfball, develop leadership skills and get recognition for them in korfball and other activities through



## THE KORFBALL YOUTH LEADER AWARD

- ❖ It is designed to help you get knowledge, skills and experience in leadership
- ❖ There are lots of activities to choose from
- ❖ You work at your own pace
- ❖ You can get a lot of support in club and the community
- ❖ Recognition is at three award levels: bronze, silver and gold

For the activities see the manual at

<http://korfball.org.au/documents/korfball-youth-leader-award-manual/>

And more information from the National Coordinator at

[YouthLeadersAward@korfball.org.au](mailto:YouthLeadersAward@korfball.org.au)

# Improving gender relations through korfball

Can we really do this? Is it happening in your team, your club, your school?

We believe it can and some of the ways are examined in more detail in *Improving Gender Relations through Korfball* at

<http://korfball.org.au/documents/korfball-gender-and-the-australian-curriculum>



## COACHES

There has been a lot of interest outside of korfball in gender equity in sport from gender equity in pay of athletes to media coverage to actual mixed sport being a possibility in future Olympics. Our sport of korfball can be a leader in recognising whether or not it is a possibility or better still that it actually works. For example, if we look at the very latest developments at the highest level of our sport you see that there has been a movement away from a strategy with male players leading role in rebounding and long shots to female in

feeding the ball and taking more close range shots to one where everyone is expected to feed, rebound and shoot. Of course there will be other factors that dictate a player's main role such as a very tall player taking more of a rebounding position in attack.

However in our coaching it is worth considering gender equity in regards to expectations in play which includes expecting that all players can take on the various roles. Some questions we need to ask ourselves:

As a player am I able to take on any role in play?

As a coach do I expect male and female to take on any role?

Do we train to achieve this?

If we are not achieving equity what do we need to do about it?

If you have ideas about this please let us know by contacting

[NationalTechnicalCoordinator@korfball.org.au](mailto:NationalTechnicalCoordinator@korfball.org.au)

A good reminder of the basic requirements of coaching can be found in the *Korfball Basic Principles Level 1 Manual* found in the Resources section on the Korfball Australia website.

<http://korfball.org.au/documents/korfball-coaching-level-1-basic-principles-course-reference-booklet-without-questions/>

And how gender equity can work in the article

<http://korfball.org.au/documents/korfball-gender-and-the-australian-curriculum>

**Modern Dynamic Korfball as the World Champions play. See it at**  
<http://www.ikf.org/videos/modern-dynamic-korfball-promo>



Video of korfball shooting techniques from Suzanne and others at  
<http://www.ikf.org/ikf/coachingkorfball>

## PROGRAMS FOR TEACHERS

The *A15 Five Week Korfball Lesson Program* for teachers is available now. Only requires one set of posts and works with up to 28 students in your class. + other resources at  
<http://korfball.org.au/documents/korfball-5-week-program-for-high-school-teachers>

Also on the website are older but still useful resources such as the *Aussie Sports* programs for primary and secondary schools, *Skills sheets* and *1001 Exercises*  
And if you don't find what you want there please contact Roy at  
[NationalTechnicalCoordinator@korfball.org.au](mailto:NationalTechnicalCoordinator@korfball.org.au)

## REFEREES

With the focus in this issue of gender equity and gender relations issue we might also look

at this as it relates to referees. Looking at the numbers in Australia we find this:-

Referee Level	Male	Female
International	50%	50%
Level 2	75%	25%
Level 1	80%	20%
Trainee	50%	50%

We can of course come up with a large number of reasons why there is not equity in numbers but what we need to do is look at what we need to do to addresses the imbalance and we would like your ideas.

In thinking about this we might consider questions such as:

What would attract females to want to become referees?

What attracts males to become referees?

Is there a difference between male and female refereeing?

Is it an issue?

When players become referees there is the issue of attitude towards being observed and assessed. Out international referees Megan and Luke regularly ask for assessments of their games in order to try to improve their performance. If the ones at the top are always aware they can improve us" lower down" should be thinking the same way. Or, maybe there is something that stands in the way of us doing this. This may be something to consider in future months.

Wherever you are in Australia there is a refereeing course that can be tailored to your local needs. Contact Roy at  
[NationalTechnicalCoordinator@korfball.org.au](mailto:NationalTechnicalCoordinator@korfball.org.au)





## KORFBALL LEVEL 1

### COACH and REFEREE COURSES

*Here's an opportunity for you to enhance your korfball skills and knowledge and make a very important contribution to Korfball and your korfball future wherever you are in Australia*

Much of the courses can be done on line. For further information and how we can tailor courses for you or a group please contact Roy (National Technical Coordinator) at [NationalTechnicalCoordinator@korfball/.org.au](mailto:NationalTechnicalCoordinator@korfball/.org.au)

## REGISTERED REFEREES

Who are able to assist those in training

Paul Adams (2)  
 Tony Beeson  
 Bruce Bungey  
 Josh Burney  
 Mark Hamilton (2)  
 Andrew Hutchesson  
 Lee-Roy Jones  
 Roy Kirkby  
 Megan Marks\*(2)  
 Jess May  
 Tim Miller  
 Luke Rosie\* (2)  
 Helen Searle  
 Mark Zilm

\* Current international referees  
 (2) Level 2 Referees



## IKF WORLD CONGRESS

November 4-5 in Antwerp  
 Belgium

And the pools for the IKF WC

INTERNATIONAL KORFBALL FEDERATION		IKF WORLD KORFBALL CHAMPIONSHIP BELGIUM 2015	
POOL A	POOL B	POOL C	POOL D
BELGIUM	NETHERLANDS	CHINESE TAIPEI	PORTUGAL
AUSTRALIA	CZECH REPUBLIC	CATALONIA	ENGLAND
RUSSIA	GERMANY	HONG KONG	CHINA
BRAZIL	HUNGARY	POLAND	SOUTH AFRICA

For more information about korfball international events and korfball around the world go to the IKF website at

[www.ikf.org](http://www.ikf.org)

## Introduction to "Korfball 4" (K4) - IKF Educational

[www.ikf.org/ikf/coachingkorfball](http://www.ikf.org/ikf/coachingkorfball)

## Victoria News

We are not active at this time but if you are interested in playing we welcome anyone in the Bacchus Marsh, Ballarat and Melbourne area to come and join us, especially for the National Club Championships in June in Melbourne.

Please contact **Jess** May on 0408578886 or **Helen** Searle. [helen.searle@ikf.org](mailto:helen.searle@ikf.org)

## NSW News



**Sydney City Redbacks** is the club to contact if you want to play korfball in Sydney.

**Venue** EORA fitness at 180 George Street, Redfern, 7pm on Thursday nights

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Feel free to contact us at [sydneykorfball@gmail.com](mailto:sydneykorfball@gmail.com) or check out our facebook page or website [www.sydneykorfball.com](http://www.sydneykorfball.com).



Starting soon!

see the start date, place and times on Facebook Korfball in Queensland

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/823889577671690/>

(contact BJ Cook)

For further information please contact

Mark Zilm on 0409672199 or [markzilm65@gmail.com](mailto:markzilm65@gmail.com)



## South Australia

The **State League** season for Korfball SA is in full swing as is the social korfball leagues.



*A first in our state -three generations playing together: - Pam, Jeremy, Denis and Cade for North Adelaide Club in the SA State League. But we have just heard that the Michael May family in Melton had three generations playing in their league last year so congratulations to them.*

A successful country series of workshops have just been conducted at Glossop and Loxton





# KORFSTORE

Suppliers of high quality Korfball Equipment, Shoes  
and Custom Made Teamwear at unbeatably low prices!!!



**KORFBALLS and KORFS (baskets)**

**Korfball bases and posts**

To order contact Mark  
[mark.hamilton@aetlimited.com.au](mailto:mark.hamilton@aetlimited.com.au)

For information on all aspects of korfball in  
South Australia go to  
<https://www.facebook.com/KorfSA?ref=ts&ref=ts>

or the Korfball Australia website at  
<http://korfball.org.au/>

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Korfball Australia (and yourself) by being  
an ACN customer (services include phone,  
mobile, bundles, energy etc) then please let  
Helen know and she is happy to do a no  
obligation free quotation for you. If you have  
any questions contact Helen on 0425 872 726.  
To view our online store please visit  
<http://korfballaustralia.acndirect.com/>**



## **Check the Korfball Australia website for other resources**

Keep in instant touch with what's happening in korfball around the clubs, regions, states and internationally at the websites and on Facebook

[au.korfball.org.au](http://au.korfball.org.au)

[sa.korfball.org.au](http://sa.korfball.org.au)

[www.sydneymkorfball.com](http://www.sydneymkorfball.com)

[www.korfball.org/](http://www.korfball.org/)

<http://www.facebook.com/pages/Korfball-Australia/365371480145840?ref=ts&fref=ts>

## **KEY CONTACTS**

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