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## Western Cougars Gridiron Club Newsletter Edition 1 / 2010; January 2010

Welcome to the 2010 Season. We hope everyone had a good festive and that all our members from 2009 return for this season and that we continue to increase our membership numbers. The committee wishes all our members, and those that have made enquiries about joining the club, a safe and successful 2010.

If you have any questions regarding the content in this newsletter please contact Ross Dorward on 0450 430953.

### **Head Coach Selection Criteria**

The club has completed the selection criteria for people wanting to apply for the senior and junior head coaching positions for the 2010 season. The selection criteria will be emailed to all members and to those people who have made enquiries about coaching and will also be available on the website. The head coach for both teams will be selected by the committee and will be appointed from 1 March 2010 – 28 February 2011.

### **Annual General Meeting**

The club will hold it's AGM on Monday 15 March 2010 in the meeting room at our home ground at 221 Grindle Rd Wacol. It is a voting year and therefore all management committee meeting positions will be vacated by the 2009 committee members and nominations will be accepted from now until this date. If you wish to nominate prior to the meeting commencing please complete and sign the nomination form. If there are no nominations received prior to the start of the meeting nominations will be accepted from the floor.

A list of all roles and responsibilities plus an organisational chart will be sent to all members and be available on our website. The 2009 Auditor's Report and 2009 President's Report will also be presented.

The following management committee positions will be available for nominations:

- President
- Secretary
- Treasurer

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- Vice President
- Coaching Director
- Schools Development Officer

Ryan Andersen, who was with the Cougars in 2008 but moved to the Ravens in 2009, has returned to the Cougars and will be acting in the Schools Development Officer role until the AGM.

### **Sign-on**

The club's sign-on day will be Saturday 1 May 2010 (time to be confirmed due to rugby league games) and Thursday 6 May 2010 from 6.30 – 8.00pm.

Please bring deposits of \$150 for seniors and \$125 for juniors. This deposit is refundable up until the start of training. Once training starts no refunds will be given regardless of the situation. Fees for this year will be the cheapest in QLD. Fees are as follows but may be subject to change due to possible increase in affiliation costs and Gridiron Qld insurance / membership:

- Juniors, \$125
- Seniors (returning), \$150
- Seniors (new), \$200

### **Training**

Training is expected to start on Monday 24 May. We cannot confirm times until coaches are finalised and Wests Centenary know their own training schedules but plan on Mon/Thu 7-9pm for seniors and Mon/Thu 6-8pm for juniors.

### **Website**

The hosting of our website has been transferred during the summer and a more manageable system is being implemented that will allow the committee to make necessary changes and update on a regular basis.

### **Equipment Return**

There are still some members who have not returned all their equipment and / or jerseys. Please note that this is club owned equipment and for members to hold onto until next season is NOT negotiable. All equipment must be returned by 31 January otherwise debt recovery action will be taken.

### **Equipment Purchasing**

There are a few players who have expressed interest in purchasing equipment from the club. If you wish to buy something different to what the club usually purchases (eg, ION Helmet), the club will purchase the item on your behalf and hold onto the item until full payment is received:

Jersey: \$100

Helmets:

- Pre 2007 (painted): \$75 Pro Air
- 2007 / 2008 purchase (painted): \$150 Air Advantage, \$225 DNA
- 2009 purchase: \$200 Air Advantage, \$250 DNA

Shoulder pads:

- Schutt: \$175

Thank you

Ross Dorward  
President

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