



The Ballarat Football Umpires Association (BFUA) is seeking to appoint a Boundary Umpire Coach for Season 2023.

Description

The Role

The Boundary Umpire Coach will be responsible for the overall training, development and appointment of Boundary Umpires for Season 2023, reporting to the Head of Umpiring Operations and BFUA Board.

Responsibilities

- Introduce new umpires in a warm and welcoming fashion, providing guidance and support where required
- Actively assist with the recruitment and retention of umpires
- Conduct skill-based training with all Boundary Umpires at least once a week
- Proactively provide feedback and skill teaching to Boundary Umpires on a regular basis
- In conjunction with the BFUA Board, appoint assistant coaches/observers
- Work closely with the Head of Umpiring Operations and Maryborough/Castlemaine & Bacchus Marsh Hub Coaches to ensure the correct pathways and coaching is provided to all Boundary Umpires
- Appoint Boundary Umpires to Senior, Reserves, U19's and some junior fixtured football during preseason (practice matches), home & away and finals – as per agreement with participating leagues
- Liaise with the Head of Umpiring Operations to appoint boundary umpires to GWV Umpire Academy fixtures
- Assist any Boundary Umpire that requires accreditation throughout the season
- Observe all Boundary Umpires throughout the season, either personally or with assistant coaches/observers
- Oversee all Boundary Umpire assistant coaches/observers and keep accurate records of the number of times Boundary Umpires have been observed
- Follow up all observations with written feedback to individual umpires
- Work closely with the Head of Umpiring Operations, Senior Field Umpire Coach, Goal Umpire Coach and the Development Umpire Coach when making appointments on a weekly basis, including accommodating appointment anomalies like driver arrangements
- Maintain a clear understanding of the latest "AFL Laws of the Game" and ensure that all coaches are aware of any changes/rule interpretation changes that may occur

- As a significant number of Boundary Umpires are under the age of 18, keep parents/guardians abreast of lecture material via email, PowerPoint, video recordings or live broadcasts etc.
- Actively promote umpiring in the community and endeavour to develop the BFUA's community-minded culture
- Report to the BFUA Board when required
- Participate in a performance review at the conclusion of preseason, mid-way through the season (after Round 9 of BFL) and at the conclusion of the season by review panel
- Attend all social functions where possible. As a minimum, attendance will be expected at the Parma Night, Whistleblower and Presentation Night

Essential Requirements

- Working with Children Check
- Drivers Licence
- Willingness to obtain or further Umpire Coach Accreditation
- Willingness to attend annual AFL Victoria Umpire Coaches Conference

Remuneration

The successful applicant for the Boundary Umpire Coach position may receive an honorarium, to be determined between the applicant and the BFUA Board.

The Boundary Umpire Coach will also have the option to officiate as a match-day umpire to streamline the provision of feedback.

About the BFUA

The BFUA is a modern and progressive umpiring group, focused on developing people, engaging with the community and providing high quality pathways for umpires to achieve their full potential. Based in Ballarat, Bacchus Marsh and Castlemaine, the BFUA has 330 running members and services the Ballarat Football League (including BFLW), Ballarat Junior Football League, Central Highlands Football League and Maryborough & Castlemaine District Football League. Our Trademarks are Respect, Integrity, Support & Resilience.

Applications close COB Friday 21 October 2022.

To apply, please email an expression of interest to BFUA Head of Umpiring Operations Billy Mitchell on ballaratumps@gmail.com