

Kevin Gibbs

Life Member CCSA 1994



Kevin was born in Haberfield, Sydney, 1942 and was introduced to soccer at the age of five, when his parents started Saturday Church soccer in the area (1947). He was always kicking a ball around. It was not, however, until 1956 that he played competition soccer, firstly for the Church (U14) then for Thornleigh (U15) in 1957.

Over the next 13 years he played for various clubs. He was involved as a foundation player for Five Dock United, played for Hornsby North End, Canterbury, Gladesville Reps, Petersham, and a highlight was when, at age 16, he was chosen to trial for selection in the NSW State team but was injured and failed to gain selection. He finished his playing career in 1970 aged 28.

He moved to the Daley's Point, Central Coast, with wife Robyn, in 1977, and in 1982 was back involved with soccer at Ettalong Club when he registered his son, Peter, and was asked to be the Treasurer. He held the position for nine years to 1990, as well as being President for two years (1989,1990). He also coached and managed teams (1995-1990)

He joined the CCSA Judiciary Committee in 1989 and 1990. In 1991, he became the CCSA Director of Competitions, Fixtures Officer and Chair of the Judiciary Committee. He held the positions of Head of both Competitions and Judiciary for nine years to 1999 and Fixtures for eight years to 1998. He also held the position of Director of Properties in 1999. As a part of his work ethic, he was an active member of various sub-committees such as fixtures, match, judiciary and delegate to the Referees Appointment Board. On top of all his administrative and committee input into Central Coast soccer football he has been a qualified Referee from 1992 and is still a current whistler.

Kevin was awarded the CCSA Soccer person of the year (1991). He was deservedly awarded with Life Membership of CCSA in 1994. He was honoured with Life Membership by Southern and Ettalong United Club (1990) and the Referees Association (2003). Kevin was also honoured by the NSWASF with a Special Award Certificate for his outstanding contribution to the game (2006).

After departing from the Board in 1999, Kevin was later seconded to do the draws and points tables from 2004 to 2009.

Kevin's fondest memory of his stint with CCSA was the development of an improved computer system to cope with the steady increase in player numbers, which all required fixture allocation and points table of each competition. He, along with his son Peter, designed a computer system, which made life a lot easier. Kevin was also proud to see Plum Park materialise and become the home of Central Coast Football.

Kevin Gibbs has been a tireless servant to the game on the Coast.

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