

# Helping out: your club needs you!

Delivering a successful Winter Season takes a lot of time and resources and a big chunk of it comes from club members: people like you, prepared to give up a couple of hours a week – or even just a couple of hours *per season* – to help out with anything from managing a Winter Season Juniors team to turning up for a fundraising quiz night at the local pub

**Our club is growing year-on-year and the bigger it gets, the more we need your input!**

There is a range of things you can do. The majority of the tasks below can be shared, or managed as a group on a rota basis. Every team need a **coach**, a **manager**, a **kit & equipment officer** and a **fundraising co-ordinator**.

Have a look at this list and see which one(s) might be an easy fit for you:

**Coaching** really is great fun! You will learn as much as you teach about the beautiful game. The club will give you everything you need, including NZF-accredited training, a regular coaches forum and season-long support.

**Time commitment:** around 3.5 hours a week.

**Managing** a team is one of the most important roles you can play at the club. Working with a parent coach, you have an agreed number of tasks, like organising kit & equipment and helping with substitutions on game days.

**Time commitment:** similar to Coaching, but you don't really need any football knowledge to be a key player.

**Kit & Equipment** is an easy Saturday role, organising goal nets and making sure the balls, cones and other gear is looked after each week.

**Fundraising** is the lifeblood of the club's operational side.

It comprises a lot of things, some of which are listed below, all of which make a big difference to our kids' playing experience.

Each team has one or more **fundraising co-ordinators** who liaise with the SASFC Fundraising Manager, **Paul Farrelly**, with the aim of generating much-needed revenue for the club during the Winter Season.

**The Players Parents Association** meets every month and is open to all fundraising co-ordinators to improve communication and support teams in their fundraising drive – especially if the team is going to tournament! – but also to help organise the raffle and other important club events

**Time commitment:** no more than you want it to be, and **every little helps!** Here's what we get up to each season:

- **Annual Raffle** is the big one! With great prizes and multiple chances to win, this is our top priority each season
- **Sausage sizzles** are a popular fund-raiser and a one to be part of a roster, if you can't make it every week
- **Pub Quiz nights** are great fun; all you need to do is turn up with some mates to make it a success!
- **Club days** happen once or twice per season at most, and we often need helpers on the stall

As you can see, for most things, barely any football knowledge is required (although it might help win the pub quiz!) – we are always open to new ideas, and your energy and enthusiasm is often all it takes.

It's all about being a real part of a thriving, football-loving community, right here in the heart of Christchurch. Please [email us](#) if you can do anything at all to help, or want to come along to the monthly Players Parents meeting. Otherwise, have a word with your game day coach or manager, they'll know what to do.



## On behalf of all of us – thank you!