



WOMEN'S FOOTBALL

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Introduction

Women's football plays an important role in the football eco-system in Singapore and we are excited to see a growing interest in football among women and girls over the past 15 months.

Apart from competitions at the grassroots, in schools and at amateur levels, FAS is constantly seeking to popularise the game among women and girls by increasing public awareness about the sport through road shows and seminars.

FAS is optimistic about the future of women's football and will continue to strive towards giving women players, coaches, referees and officials more opportunities and platforms to become actively involved in local football.

In addition to the FAS organised competitions mentioned below, our affiliates also organised other tournaments and activities for women which were sanctioned by FAS.

Girls' Schools Football

FAS together with the close partnership and co-operation with the Co-Curricular Activities Branch (CCAB) successfully organised the girls inter-schools championships for the 'A', 'B' and 'C' divisions for Junior Colleges, Secondary Schools and the Junior and Senior competitions for Primary Schools to attract more school girls to play football in order to increase the base of women footballers.

There were a total of 5 tournaments for the respective age-groups. A brief summary of these 5 tournaments that attracted a total of 55 participating school teams who registered 820 players to participate in the following tournaments in 2011:

a) **National Inter-Schools Football Championships 'A' Div 2011**

A total of 224 players from 12 schools participated in this 11-aside competition for girls' aged 17 and above. The final three positions were as follows:

Champion: Victoria Junior College
2nd Placing: St. Andrew's Junior College
3rd Placing: Meridian Junior College

b) **National Inter-Schools Football Championship 'B' Div 2011**

A total of 218 players from 13 schools participated in this 11-aside competition for girls' aged between 15 to 17. The final three positions were as follows:



Champion: Cedar Girls School
2nd Placing: Siglap Secondary School
3rd Placing: Greenview Secondary School

c) **National Inter-Schools Football Championship 'C' Div 2011**

A total of 150 players from 10 schools participated in this 9-side competition for girls' aged between 13 to 14. The final three positions were as follows:

Champion: Woodlands Secondary School
2nd Placing: Bowen Secondary School
3rd Placing: Hong Kah Secondary School

d) **National Inter-Primary Schools Football C'ship Senior 2011**

A total of 99 players from 9 schools participated in this 7-side competition for girls' aged between 12 to 13. The final three positions were as follows:

Champion: Cedar Primary School
2nd Placing: Yangzheng Primary School
3rd Placing: Fuhua Primary School

e) **National Inter-Primary Schools Football C'ship Junior 2011**

A total of 129 players from 11 schools participated in this 7-side competition for girls' aged between 9 to 11. The final three positions were as follows:

Champion: Yio Chu Kang Primary School
2nd Placing: Coral Primary School
3rd Placing: Telok Kurau Primary School

National Women's Competitions 2011

To provide our women footballers and teams the opportunity to compete at The national level regularly, FAS organises annually a total of 4 competitions.

A brief summary of these 4 competitions which attracted 27 participating teams that registered 575 players to participate in the following competitions are as follows:

(a) **Women's Premier League (Open Category)**

The Women's Premier League (WPL) is the most prestigious of the respective women's football competition in Singapore.

A total of 181 players from seven teams participated in the 2011 WPL season.

The final three positions are as follows:

Champion: Borussia Zamrud FC
2nd Placing: Police Sports Association Women's Soccer Team
3rd Placing: FAS Young Women

(b) **FAS Women's Youth League (U-23 Category)**

The FAS Women's Youth League (WYL) is an Under-23 competition, commenced in July and was successfully completed in August 2011.

A total of 155 players from 7 teams from the various tertiary institutions, clubs including overseas schools based in Singapore, competed in the WYL.

The final three positions are as follows:

Champion: Nanyang Technological University
2nd Placing: SSSC / FAS Combined Schools U20 Team
3rd Placing: VJC Alumni

(c) **Women's 7s**

The Women's 7s, a 7-a-side competition, was held on 6th July and 31st July 2010/1 at Jalan Besar Stadium. A total of 88 players from 6 teams participated in the competition.

The final three positions are as follows:

Champion: Middle Rangers FC
2nd Placing: FAS Young Women
3rd Placing: Sporting Westlake FC

(d) **FAS Women's Challenge Cup (Open Category)**

FAS Women's Challenge Cup was played from 29 October to 26 November 2011. A total of 151 players from 7 teams participated in the competition.

The final two positions are as follows:

Champion: Borussia Zamrud FC
2nd Placing: FAS Young Women

Women's National Teams

FAS have continued to develop our various national teams by providing these Teams with the necessary technical and administrative support required to prepare These teams for future international competitions at the regional level. There were 2 National teams in 2011. A brief summary of these 2 teams are as follows:

(a) National U-23 (Young Women's)

The FAS Young Women's team participated in the Women's Premier League as part of our strategy to fast-track their development by providing them with competitive match exposure locally by playing against older players. The team also participated in the WPL, Women's 7s, & FAS Women's Challenge Cup.

The FAS Young Women's team had a very encouraging 2011 season with them finishing 3rd in the Women's Premier League, 2nd in the Women's 7s and runners-up in the FAS Women's Challenge Cup.

(b) Women's National Team

The Women's National Team trains at the Bukit Gombak Stadium. The team is coached by Mr Hassan Ismail.

The team played one international friendly match in Singapore:

24 September 2011 vs Malaysia lost 0 – 2

The Women's National Team also took part AFF Women's Championship 2011 which was held in Vientiane, Laos from 16th to 25th October 2011. The results are as follows:

16 October 2011	vs	Vietnam	lost	1 – 9
18 October 2011	vs	Indonesia	lost	1 – 3
20 October 2011	vs	Laos	lost	0 – 5

Looking Forward

FAS will continue to work closely with our affiliates to promote women's football and further enhance the number of competitions for our women footballers in 2011 and in tandem to gradually raise the profile and standard of women's football in Singapore.

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