



Dudley Redhead United Football Club

Game Leaders

Community League · the MiniRoos match-day role

In Coles MiniRoos (Under 6–11), each game is guided by a **Game Leader** rather than a qualified referee. The Game Leader keeps the game flowing, applies the simple small-sided rules, settles the odd dispute — and above all keeps it fun and fair for every kid. At DRUFC many of our Game Leaders are older juniors taking their very first step into officiating.

Run by the club, for the kids

We run Game Leaders ourselves because it keeps MiniRoos welcoming and low-pressure, and because it grows our own young people. Leaders are rostered each week, given their gear, and supported by the committee and coaches on the day.

What it does for little people

- **Confidence & leadership.** Standing up, making calls and managing a game builds real confidence that carries well beyond football.
- **A deeper love of the game.** Leaders learn the laws and the why behind them — and become smarter players for it.
- **A first taste of responsibility.** Turning up, being reliable and getting it done — a brilliant first 'job'.
- **A pathway to refereeing.** Loved it? It's the first rung toward becoming an accredited Club Referee (from Under 12).

Our Game Leaders are kids. The club has zero tolerance for abuse of any match official — and our MiniRoos officials are children. Support them, let them learn, and leave the calls to them.

Please remember

- This is a game.
- These are children — so relax and let them play.
- Game Leaders are human — mistakes will happen.
- The coaches and managers are volunteers.
- This is not the A-League or the World Cup.

Referee pathways

Game leading is the first step. From age 13 you can become an accredited Club Referee with Northern NSW Football — the entry-level course is priced as set by Northern NSW Football, and includes all your training, kit, registration and insurance. The club is right behind anyone who wants to take it up. To register your interest in game leading this season, email drufc1@gmail.com.