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## **FOOTY WITH THE FUZZ IS BACK AGAIN**

The popular Multicultural Friendship Games - Footy with the Fuzz event is an initiative of Football West together with the Western Australian Police to engage with emerging communities.

It is fun, free and open to all the community to attend and will kick off at 9.30am on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> April at Landsdale's Kingsway Reserve.

WA Police looks to be involved because they aim to make connections with recent arrivals and community groups who are often accustomed to Police forces which are corrupt, and may be vulnerable to falling into antisocial ways in their new Australian society.

The tournament also allows provides a secure and safe environment for friendships to be kindled between people of backgrounds that are not normally brought together even for a sporting exchange.

Football West uses the opportunity to promote club environments and encourage recent arrivals from traditional football backgrounds to become involved in organised sport.

The event won the most recent WA Sport and Recreation Industry Award for Best Community Event.

WA Police and Football West will be running a special end of day event to celebrate Harmony following Harmony Week and more will be announced on this new initiative shortly.

There will also be a free children's clinic throughout the day with Football West coaches.

For more information on the Multicultural Friendship Games - Footy with the Fuzz, please visit [www.footballwest.com.au/community/cald](http://www.footballwest.com.au/community/cald)

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*\*Attached is a photo courtesy Football West of the October 2010 event*

