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⇒ **WHAT'S UP WITH THE FURY?**

Football Federation Australia representatives have met with business and community leaders in Townsville to discuss the ownership future of North Queensland Fury.

The meetings are apparently the start of a process to explore the possibility of converting the ownership structure to a broader community model.

FFA CEO Ben Buckley said he applauded the effort from all at the club and he recognised its significant achievements in its first season.

“To be successful long-term there needs to be wider community and corporate support for NQF and it can not be left to one person to drive the club,” Buckley said.

“We are working through the processes with many interested parties and are confident there is strong support for football to remain in Townsville.”

Buckley said NQF was an important part of the expansion plans of the Hyundai A-League and it needed fan, government and corporate support to ensure it was a viable club in the future.

“I strongly encourage everyone in Townsville and North Queensland to get behind the team and show how much they want a successful football club in their region,” Buckley said. “There is a lot of goodwill around the Fury but like any large sporting venture it needs support and investment to remain viable as it builds on the progress it has made in such a short time.”



With **LAKIS KONISTIS**

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FFA representatives also met with players and staff to inform them of the discussions.

The process is expected to take several weeks and there will be no further comment on the issue from FFA.

But is this the REAL REASON why? Or is there something else brewing in Townsville?

⇒ **OLYMPIC JERSEY IS GREAT!**

For the life of me I have no idea what all the fuss is about!

Sydney Olympic's 2010 playing strip



is excellent... and it's back to its roots... the blue and white stripes of yesteryear...

The 'whingers' out there should pull their heads in...

At least in 2010, Olympic is back to

their traditional, historical colours.

⇒ **BERRIES WELL-POSITIONED...**

The West Sydney Berries are well-placed (5th) on the Club Championship ladder after two rounds of the NSW Premier League.

Both the APIA Leichhardt Tigers and South Coast Wolves need to pick their acts up before they become serious relegation prospects as early as Round 3!

The Club Championship is what will ultimately decide promotion and relegation. Promotion from the Super League Competition, and Relegation from the Premier League. The member club participating in the Premier League competition that finishes at the bottom of the club championship table becomes liable for relegation.

Current standings are as follows:

Bonnyrigg.....	(48pts)
Sydney United	(46pts)
Blacktown	(40pts)
Marconi	(30pts)
Berries	(25pts)
Rockdale	(21pts)
Manly	(17pts)
Sydney Olympic	(16pts)
Sutherland	(16pts)
Bankstown	(11pts)
South Coast	(9pts)
APIA.....	(1pt)

⇒ **ROUND 3**

And so we head into Round 3 of the NSW Premier League this weekend...

Sutherland will be looking for their first win of the season against the South Coast Wolves. The squad will be sweating to see Jim Bakis and skipper

George Souris return to the side.

At Marconi Stadium, the two undefeated teams so far, Marconi Stallions and Bonnyrigg White Eagles are in for a fabulous encounter. The Stallions are breathing a lot easier after Nahuel Arrarte's return. But the Eagles are very strong candidates for the Minor Premiership under coach Brian Brown who has assembled a wonderful squad.

Bankstown City are another club desperate for a win- and against Sydney Olympic, that may not be possible. Sydney Olympic will be without their star striker Matthew Mayora who has been ruled out for at least 4 weeks (foot injury).

At Leichhardt Oval, another desperate club is A.P.I.A.-Leichhardt Tigers- also looking for their first win of the season against Manly. Robbie Younis, Nick Rizzo and Franco Parisi's experience will be called upon if the side is to mount any serious challenge this season.

On the other hand, Blacktown City FC play host to new boys Rockdale City Suns at Lily Homes Stadium and AYTEK Genc's Demons will be aiming to maintain their winning start to the season. Striker Tolgay Ozbey has made a successful return to the club, along with that of Luke Roodenburg in the midfield. Blacktown have still to concede a goal this season.

In the final match of the round, Sydney United returns to Edensor Park to take on the West Sydney Berries. The Reds look strong, but the Berries won't be easy to overcome.

They are already shaping up as the 'dark horses' of this year's competition and it was great to see Dimitri Zakilas on the scoresheet for the Berries last weekend. He, along with Sash Tirovski and Kosta Lagoudakis are the key to this game- if they fire, they're a chance, if they don't, then they're no chance.

ERREA TIPPING COMPETITION














	Αλιφέρης Γιώργος	Αυγερινός Δημήτρης	Κονιστής Λάκης	Λαζάρου Γιώργος	Μαργιώλης Γιώργος	Νικολάου Παναγιώτης	Παξινός Χρήστος	Σταυρουλάκης Γιώργος	Σταυρουλάκης Μανόλης	Το πουλί
Σάθερλαντ-Σάουθ Κοστ	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	X
Μαρκόνι-Μπόνιριγκ	X	X	1	2	X	2	1	2	2	1
Σ. Γιουνάιτεντ-Γουέστ Σίδνεϊ Μπέρρις	1	1	1	1	1	X	1	1	1	X
Μπλακτάουν-Ροκντέιλ	1	1	1	X	1	1	1	1	1	2
Μπανκστάουν-Σ. Ολύμπικ	2	X	2	2	X	1	2	2	2	X
ΑΠΙΑ-Μένλι	1	2	2	2	2	2	X	2	2	2
ΒΑΘΜΟΙ	5	8	6	5	3	6	4	8	6	1



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