NIPPERS CODE OF CONDUCT – To be discussed:

From Tim Lambourne:

The code of Conduct for Nippers could be refined. Codes of conduct must be in a language able to be understood by the average child in that age group. It should be short, sharp and to the point.

Current Code of Conduct is not suitable for nippers to read or understand.

For it to be in any way enforceable, we need to show that the Code was understood.

Play by the Rules, (Aust Government based) have a suggested C of C Having the "I" at the start of the sentence helps the child take ownership, keeping it in the first person.

- I will always be safe and play by the rules.
- I will work hard for myself and my team.
- I will listen and follow the instructions of my coach or team manager.
- I will look after the equipment.
- I will treat everyone as I would like to be treated.
- I will be a good sport, when I win and when I lose.

The child safety standards state that we must involve the children in the creation of the club rules. Very difficult at this age, but we could have the team managers start the first few sessions covering off on one or two of the rules for the first 5 minutes and have a discussion.