

The Friday Forum

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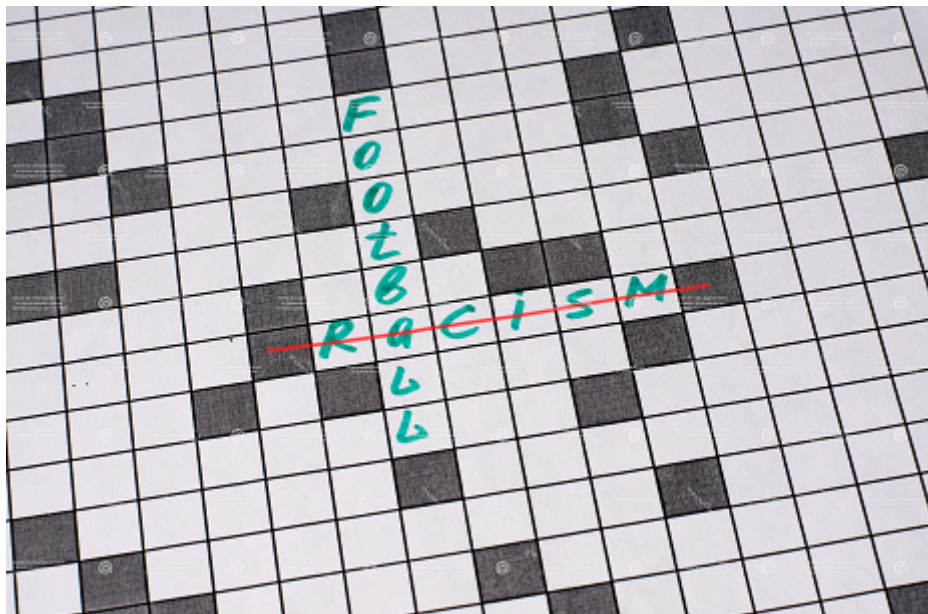
25th June 2021
3.30pm - 5.00pm

Racism in Sport

In recent years, the issue of racism in sport has dominated headlines. From the playing field to the commentary box, in crowds and on social media, there has been a noticeable increase in the reporting of racist incidents in sporting codes across the globe. Australia has not been immune from this, as the recent controversies surrounding Adam Goodes and Heritier Lumumba have dramatically illustrated. In the face of heightened public scrutiny, many sports organisations, including governing bodies and clubs, have declared racism in sport unacceptable, expressed solidarity with movements for racial justice, and signalled their commitment to diversity and inclusion. But the gap between rhetoric and reality has been called out by critics, who insist that much more needs to be done to address racial inequities in sport tied to power structures and hierarchies in society. Is racism in sport worse today than in the past? How can it be combatted most effectively? Can it ever be stamped out? This panel will explore the issue of racism in sport from multiple angles and contemplate the key question, 'where do we go from here'?

Chair: Prof. Michael Ondaatje
IHSS, ACU

Prof. Karen Farquharson, University of Melbourne
Assoc. Prof. Gary Osmond, University of Queensland
Dr Matthew Klugman, Victoria University
Dr Demelza Marlin, University of Sydney



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