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Aussie Woman Must Pay \$95,000 to “Transgender” Women’s Soccer Players She “Vilified” by Calling Them Men

An Australian woman was ordered to pay \$95,000 for “unlawfully vilifying” two “transgender” soccer players who play on women’s teams.

In August, New South Wales (NSW) Deputy Chief Magistrate Sharon Freund convicted Kirralie Smith of the “crime” of accurately reporting that the two players in question are males and suggesting — with evidence to back it up — that they posed a threat to actual women on the playing field.

According to [Reduxx](#), Freund wrote, “I am satisfied that the defendant unlawfully vilified the plaintiff ... when she referred to the plaintiff as a male or a man.”

The ruling “marked the first time someone had been found to have unlawfully vilified a person for being trans under NSW law,” observed the NSW-based [Star Observer](#).

Flying Brickbats

Reduxx reported:

Justin “Riley” Dennis and Nicholas “Stephanie” Blanch lodged criminal complaints against Smith for raising public awareness of their inclusion in women’s football. Smith, a spokeswoman with Binary Australia, a campaign group dedicated to advocating for single-sex sports in Australia, had been raising public awareness of their inclusion in women’s sports after learning of injuries sustained by female players.

Under Football New South Wales’ [Gender Diversity Policy](#), “Gender Diverse Players who are registered to play Football in the gender competition which best suits the Player’s Gender Identity shall be supported to play in a safe and inclusive environment.”

This has, of course, led to a number of “transgender” athletes playing in the women’s division, with predictable results. For example, the Flying Bats, nominally a women’s team, has at least five men on its roster. Not surprisingly, the team went undefeated in 2024, scoring 76 goals across 17 games while holding its opponents to just eight goals. Two years earlier, one of the team’s male players broke the leg of a female opponent in two places.

Football NSW, naturally, stuck up for the Flying Bats. The injured player’s “teammate was penalized for ‘transphobia’ after she made a remark referring to the trans-identified player as a male,” penned Reduxx, and the team won a “Fair Play” award that season. In addition, officials have beefed up security



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and prohibited video recording of matches — the better to keep people from seeing what’s really happening.

Frock Jock

Smith’s offense, then, was to tell the truth about trans soccer players and to urge the league to get them off women’s teams.

In 2022 and 2023, she referred to Blanch in X posts as a “bloke in a frock,” referring to a publicly posted photo of Blanch wearing a dress while receiving a participation trophy.

Blanch filed for an Apprehended Personal Violence Order (APVO) — the equivalent of a U.S. restraining order — against Smith, which was eventually granted. Blanch’s evidence in favor of the APVO included Smith’s referring to him as a “man” and a “bloke in a frock” along with such statements as “How can girls, women, and families feel safe when they are not even permitted to question the presence of a man in their space or on the field?”

In granting the APVO, the court wrote that Smith “sought to evoke fear in the reader regarding the fact that [Blanch], who is described as a man/male/bloke[,] is playing in a women’s team (and transgender women playing in women’s sport generally).”

Dennis the Menace

Similarly, Smith’s social-media posts concerning Dennis were used against her, such as one from March 2023 in which she relayed allegations that “a male appropriating womanhood” injured “two female soccer players.”

“Football Australia have received more than 2000 complaints about the men in teams such as Wingham FC and some Sydney first grade teams,” she claimed, referring to both Blanch and Dennis.

She also pointed out that “the top goal scorer in the NSW Women’s League One First Grade soccer is male,” namely Dennis. “Football NSW fail to safeguard women and girls for the sake of men’s feelings!”

Reduux reported that Smith “launched a letter-writing campaign out of concern for the safety of the female players,” which reportedly resulted in over 12,000 letters to Football NSW.

After further incidents in which Dennis injured female players, he joined the Flying Bats.

Dennis, too, tried to get an APVO against Smith, but the APVO “was withdrawn by police on the first day of the hearing,” according to Reduux.

Involuntary Transaction

Throughout, Smith made clear that her beef was not with the existence of trans players but with their participation in women’s sports. “No one is excluding trans,” she explained on Facebook. “We simply want female sex-based services and spaces. The trans can play according to biology or on a mixed or trans team.”

Such protestations, however, failed to convince Freund. Last week, Smith was ordered to pay Blanch \$55,000 (US\$36,400) and Dennis \$40,000 (US\$26,500), with an additional \$40,000 penalty in the event of noncompliance.

Smith was further ordered, on the one hand, never to name the two men or their teams again, but, on the other hand, to “publish a public statement of apology” specifically mentioning the men’s names. “Make it make sense,” she quipped.



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Smith has 28 days to appeal her sentence, which she says she plans to do.

“It is disappointing that the word ‘woman’ has been redefined to include males and that the words ‘violence’ & ‘vilification’ have been applied to speaking the truth about information in the public domain,” she [posted on X](#) Thursday.

“The law might state men can be women, but it defies the laws of nature and cannot be sustained,” she declared. “Nothing will steal my joy in knowing that I am a woman and no male ever will be. I am proud to stand for truth and reality.”



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