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STOP OUT looks to THRIVE

In an exciting new initiative Andy Hedge and his Thrive Coach Mentoring and Development Programme will be supporting the Stop Out club in 2019.

Stop Out has already invested in a strong coaching structure with our four pillars of Junior Director of Football; Adam Reynard, Youth Director of Football; Alistair Yates, Women's Director of Football; Shannon Smith and Men's Director of Football; Scott Easthope shaping our player pathway.

Chairman Neil Kemp concurs; "Our philosophy supports the provision of high quality coaches throughout our club, as we know the football experience for our players is linked to the ability and quality of our coaches".

"The question for us has always been, so who coaches the coaches?"



Andy Hedge after a successful playing career became Capital Football's Football Development Manager.

He also worked at New Zealand Football as the countries Talent Development Manager.

He moved to the Wellington Phoenix as head of their youth academy and coached at Central League level with the Club's best youth talent. He has been coaching and developing coaches for over 22 years.

Andy will be coaching Tasman United in this year's National League.

Kemp sees the partnership with Thrive as a natural progression on building a strong coaching focus across the Stop Out club.

We look forward to Andy working closely with, and developing our Stop Out coaches in 2019.

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