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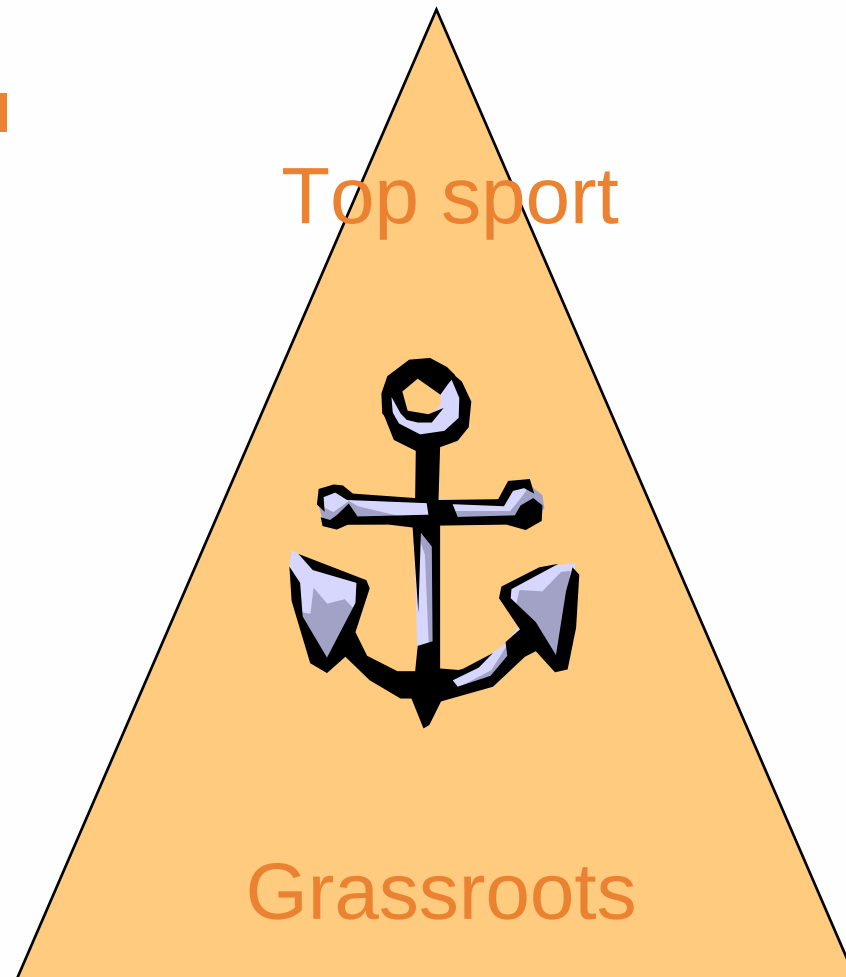
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Masterplan Youth Football

Point of departure:

- Individual development of youth players
- Coherence between top sport & Grassroots





Grassroots football in the Netherlands

Starting point:

- 320.000 members Under 13 (20.000 girls)
- 200.000 members Under 19 (22.000 girls)
- 3800 amateurclubs as target group



Grassroots football in the Netherlands

Starting point:

- Youth coordinators at club level
- Youth coaches and volunteers at club level
- Association's part time regional coaches (50)
- Association's full time district coaches (20)
- Association's league departments (6)
- National technical staff



Target groups around the UEFA Cup Final 2006

FC Eindhoven stadium 9 may 2006

Grassroots event for:

- Football for children aged 5 and 6
- Girls' football
- Football for youth players with a disability



Grassroots event UEFA cup final 2006

Strategy

- regional coaches (2) are leading
- assistance by professional coaches and volunteers from the clubs involved

Programme

- mini's play tournament 4 vs. 4
- mixed teams and disabled teams play tournament 7 vs. 7
- young talented referees in programme



Grassroots event UEFA cup final 2006

Participants

- 130 players
- 2 coordinators
- 6 referees
- 22 coaches
- 40 volunteers



Football for children aged 5 and 6





Retrospect

- Each year thousands of 5 year olds become members of football clubs



In practice

- 5 year olds play 4 vs. 4
- 6 year olds play 4 vs. 4 or 7 vs. 7 (depends on their football experience and level)
- Youth coordinator has to promote the game format at the clubs
- Simple organisation for 4 vs. 4

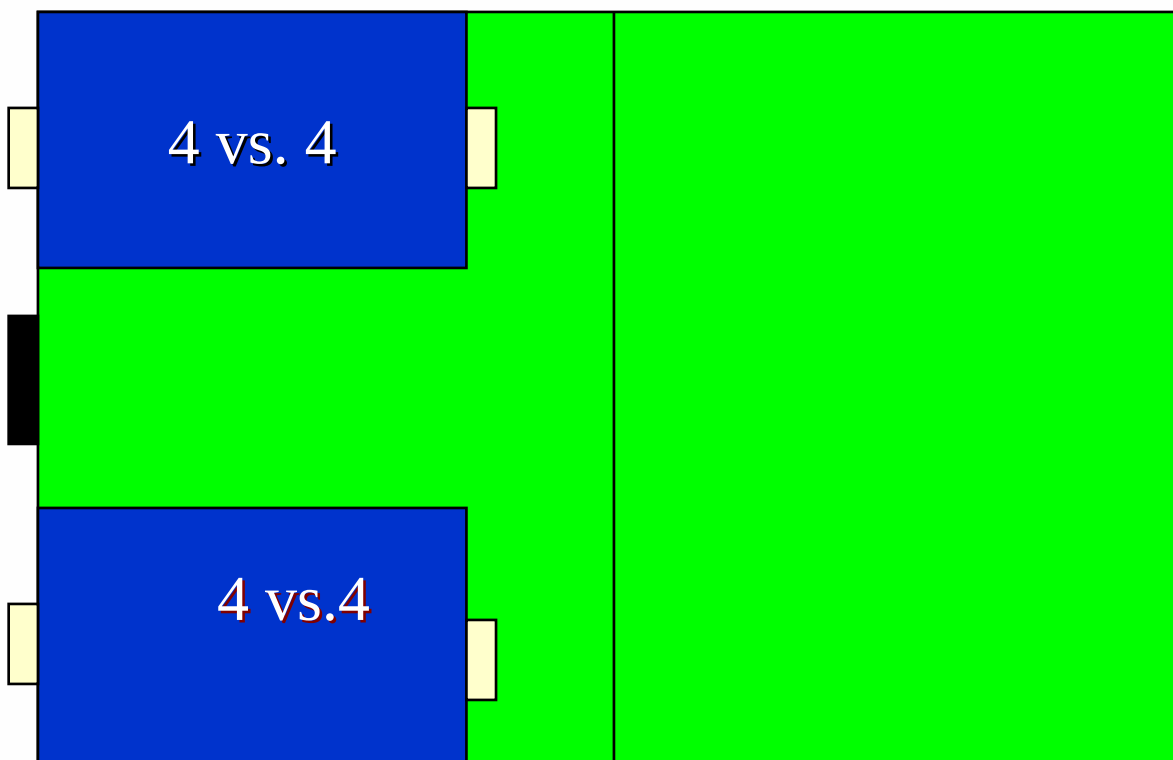


Organisation 4 vs. 4 (1)

- Regional groups of 6 teams are formed
- 2 teams get together at a club
- Each team has 8-10 players
- Teams are split into 2 teams of equal strength
- Teams play a round robin competition
- Each match lasts 12 minutes
- After each match every player takes a penalty kick on a 5 x 2 meter goal



organisation 4 vs. 4 (2)





A few rules of the game:

- 4 vs. 4 without goalkeepers
- Dimensions of the pitch: 40 x 20 meter
- Dimensions of the goals: 3 x 1 meter
- Ball size 5 (max. weight 320 gr.)



Girls' football ?





Youth football



Youth football

- In the Netherlands you can play mixed football until "Under 19"
- There is an explosive growth of girls' football
- Boys and girls can play football against and with each other very well





What does this mean for girls ?

- Play football with girls or boys of the same age
- Play football at your own level
- You can join any football club you like
- You do not have to travel far to play a match
- More fun!

Problem solved !





Youth football for disabled players

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Projectplan, March 2001

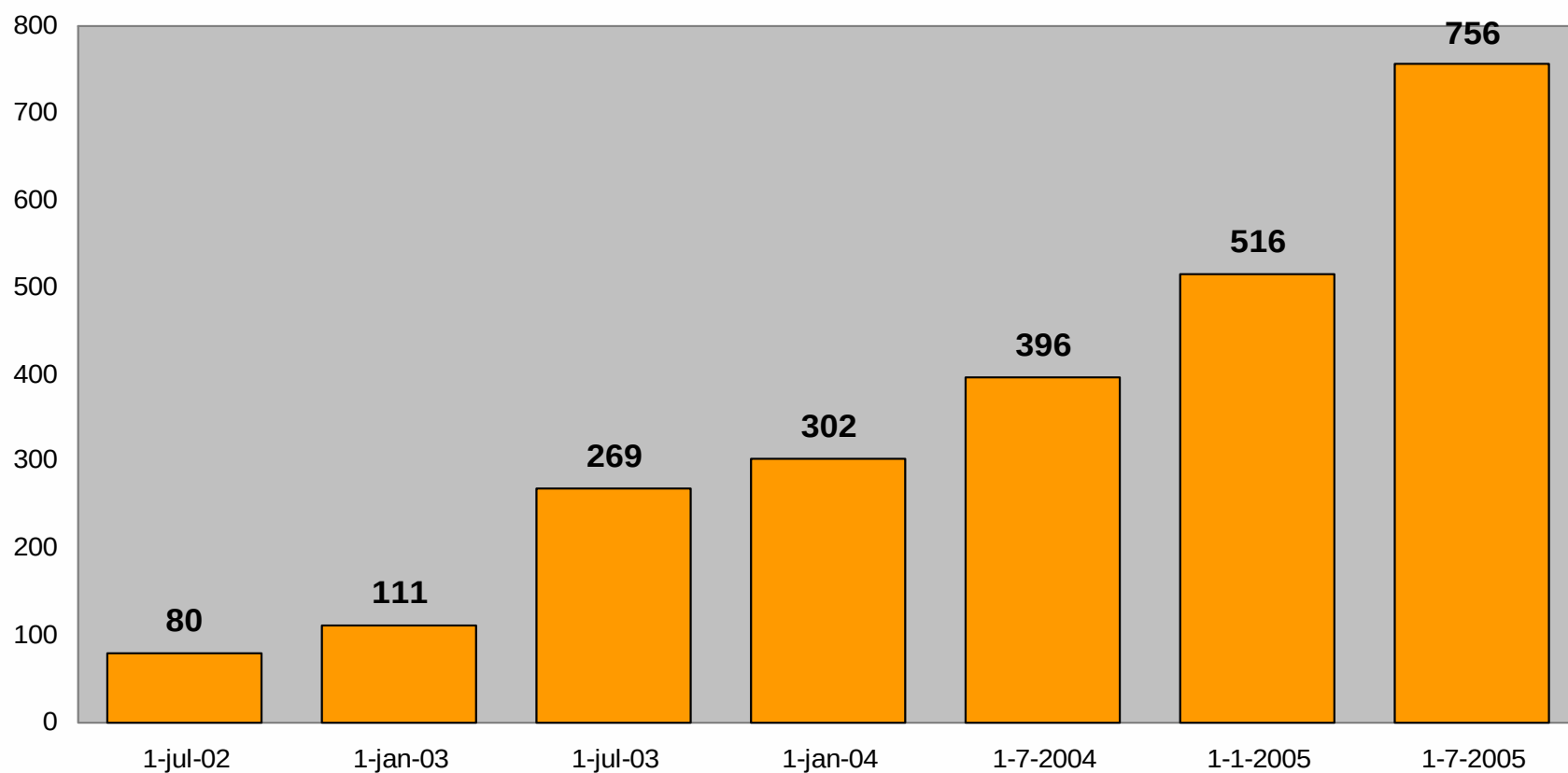
- Initiative Nebasnsg
- Plan A, Projectplan stimulating football for youth football players with a disability
- Plan B, Framework talented players with a disability
- Plan C, Trainingsessions CP-team The Netherlands





Results

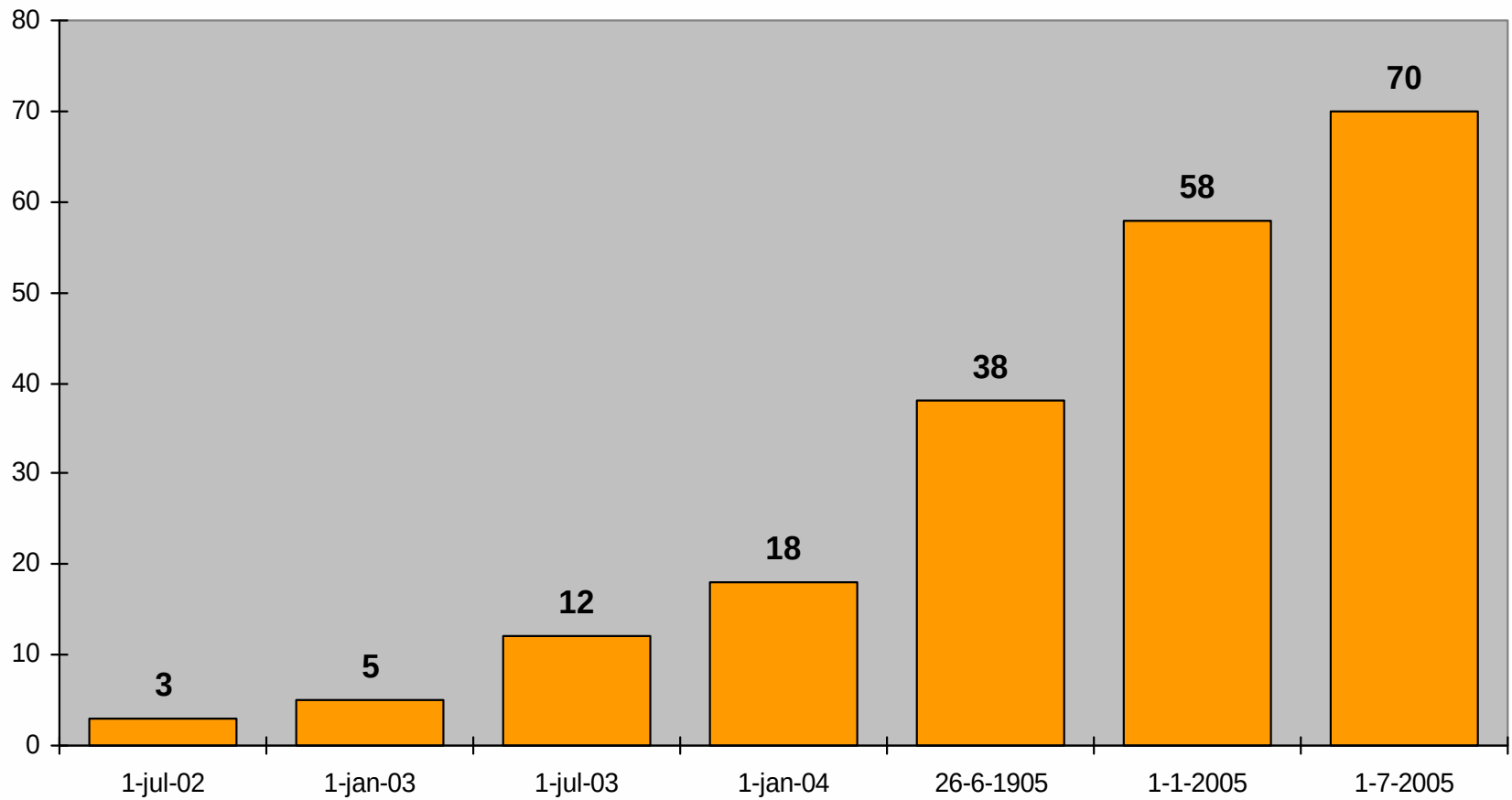
Number of youth players





Results

Number of clubs





KNVB 2005/'06

Activities for players:

- District youth football day (6)
- National youth football day
- CBV-tournament (**Barendrecht**)
- Johan Cruyff Shield
- Special Olympics

Development leaders and coaches:

- Tailor made support
- Symposia
- Courses



Clubs 2005/'06

- Trainingsessions
- Friendly matches
- Tournaments
- Extra grassroots activities
 - 4 vs 4
 - Goalmaster
 - etc.
- Other activities
 - Celebrations
 - Attending matches premier league clubs, national teams, etc.



Youth football league disabled players



Points of departure:

- Geographic classification
- Integrated in KNVB system
- Specific composition leagues:
 - age
 - level
 - disability
- Increase and set up leagues
- Communication



Grassroots football in the Netherlands

PLAY, LEARN AND ENJOY GRASSROOTS
FOOTBALL !!!



See you in Eindhoven
THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION