



Thank you for your enquiry regarding your child's participation with a netball team and how to go about joining the family at Parklands Netball Club. The following information provides a brief outline of club history, how the club operates and how being an active member of the club benefits you and your child. Please read on, visit our website for more detail or contact the club secretary for any further enquiries.

***A little bit about the club's foundations...***

Parklands Netball Club is a registered not-for-profit organisation formed in 2008 with the aim to make netball as accessible as possible to any player interested in participating in sport. The founders of Parklands Netball Club are Louise Iacobaccio and Lucas Bennett-Hullin. Together we have a passion for netball and sport in general and share over 15 years experience in local and representative sport as participants, coaches, officials and committee members.

The core philosophies of our club are to provide an environment where participants can:

- ✓ Learn and develop the skills and ethics of netball.
- ✓ Receive coaching from appropriately trained coaches.
- ✓ Have fun and form long-lasting friendships with peers sharing similar goals.
- ✓ Be supported by the association/club, their peers, coaches and parents.
- ✓ Be provided with a pathway enabling them to achieve their potential.
- ✓ Develop, practice and engage in sportsmanship behaviour.

***How the club operates...***

The Parklands Netball Club is structured around a fair play policy to provide a positive sporting experience for players (junior, senior, male and female) of all abilities to participate in weekly sport with an emphasis on personal development through fun and enjoyment. In addition, the club aims to provide a supportive environment for all players, coaches and volunteers.

With the emphasis on fun and participation, our teams are constructed by age group and with friendships a key consideration, as well as the general skill and development level of the individual player. This enables teams to be structured so that as teams are required to advance in age groups, they can do so as a team whenever possible with least disruption to team friendships. Coming along to Registration Day and pre-season training plays an important role for coaches in setting teams.

Parklands Netball Club welcomes players of all abilities and no previous netball playing experience is required to join our club. Parklands Netball Club does not have a formal "try-out" or "selection" process. This is against our club philosophies for junior sport as our main aim is for the greatest participation from all players of all levels. For more information on teams please see the leaflet enclosed titled Age Group Statements.

The Parklands Netball Club is affiliated with Netball Victoria and therefore follows their policies and guidelines for Junior Policy, Risk Management and Member Protection, including Codes of Conduct. Copies of these documents can be provided to you upon request and are available from Netball Victoria's website [www.netballvic.com.au](http://www.netballvic.com.au).



For the ambitious player, the club provides a pathway to the Banyule & District Representative Netball Teams through its participation within Banyule & Districts operated competitions. All players competing within these competitions are eligible to trial for selection. For more information regarding these teams please contact our Club Secretary.

***The benefits of participating with an organised sporting group...***

- Belong to a community with people sharing common interests to you;
- Participate in a supportive environment;
- Learn and develop individual and team skills;
- Work with experienced and qualified coaches;
- Develop new friendships;
- Access to advance along pathways for playing, coaching and or umpiring;
- All players are invited to presentation night upon conclusion of the netball year and each receive an award recognising their individual efforts;

***Training...***

At Parklands Netball Club all junior teams are assigned a coach and teams train weekly every Friday night (except school/public holidays) at Latrobe Secondary College Stadium, cnr Kingsbury Drive & Waiora Road, Macleod VIC.

Training nights for the 2009 Autumn/Winter season will be commence late in late January 2009 and the training times are looking to be the following times:

- 9 & Under Teams → 4:00pm – 5:00pm
- 11 & Under Teams → 4:00pm – 5:00pm
- 13 & Under Teams → 5:00pm – 6:00pm
- 15 & Under Teams → 6:00pm – 7:00pm
- 17 & Under Teams → 6:00pm – 7:00pm
- Open Age Teams → 7:00pm – 8:00pm

***Competitions ...***

Parklands Netball Club offers participants the options to play in Saturday or Tuesday after-school competitions provided by Banyule and Districts Netball Association. The Saturday competition has a stronger fielding and is the Club’s preference to participate in.

All matches are played indoors weekly (except school/public holidays) at Banyule Netball Stadium, 2 Somers Avenue, MACLEOD 3085. Matches for 2009 are estimated to commence early February 2009.

Below is a guide to match times for each age group.

<b>Saturday Competitions</b>			
<b>Match Times</b>		<b>Match Times</b>	
❖ 9/Under	9:00 AM and/or 9:45 AM	❖ 15/Under	12:00 PM and/or 12:45 PM and/or 1:30 PM
❖ 11/Under	9:45 AM and/or 10:30 AM	❖ 17/Under	1:30 PM and/or 2:15 PM and/or 3:00 PM
❖ 13/Under	10:30 AM and/or 11:15 AM and/or 12:00 PM	❖ Open	2:15 PM and/or 3:00 PM
<b>Tuesday After-school Competitions</b>			
<b>Match Times</b>		<b>Match Times</b>	
❖ 11/Under	4:00 PM and/or 4:45 PM	❖ 15/Under	5:30 PM and/or 6:15 PM
❖ 13/Under	4:45 PM and/or 5:30 PM		

Note: These are suggested match start times and subject to change as fixtured by competition administration



Parklands Netball Club field Open Age teams including a "Mums" team to compete in Ladies competitions. Matches are played at Banyule Netball Stadium with the choice of competition played on Monday mornings and Thursday evenings. The club also fields teams in Open Age Mixed sections playing on Thursday nights – Great for the dads! If you are interested in participating with either of these teams, please contact the Club Secretary for more details.

Each year, the club hosts a Player Registration Day. The date for 2009 teams/players is yet to be set. More information on this will be available shortly along with official registration and medical forms.

We understand that the above is a lot of information and would be more than happy to answer any questions you may have.

Also enclosed within are leaflets detailing:

- Age Group Statements
- Fees Notice
- Coaches Flyer
- A copy of our latest newsletter

We hope you and your child/ren are able join our netball club.  
On behalf of the Parklands Netball Club Inc Committee.

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