



## **Pinewood Netball Club**

### **Pinewood Netball Club Terms and Conditions 2024**

#### **Club overview**

Pinewood Netball Club has a long history in Mount Waverley, having been established in 1964. The Club currently has 14 teams ranging from 9 & under (Grade 3) through to Open (adults), all playing on Saturdays at Ashwood with the Waverley District Netball Association. Training is held at Pinewood Primary School over various weeknights. We welcome all boys and girls to join the Club from Grade 1 and above.

The Club holds two annual events:

- February: Season launch and Annual General Meeting,
- Around November: Presentation Day, where we celebrate the success of the club and the effort of our players, presenting trophies and awards.

For more general information about the Club, please visit

<https://www.pinewoodnetballclub.net>

#### **Grade 1 & 2 Development Teams**

Pinewood Netball Club runs a Grade 1 & 2 development squad for those interested in learning the skills required to play in our competitive teams beginning in Grade 3. Fees for these teams is \$80 per year. This covers the cost of equipment and other items required for these teams.

#### **Grade 3 – 9 & under**

The Grade 3 (9 & under) competition is all about learning to play, understanding and respecting the discipline of the umpires, listening, following instructions from the coach and fitting into a team with players who have different personalities and skill levels. Most importantly, the first year is about having fun and developing a passion for netball. No ladder or scoring is conducted for this age group.

We ask that that one or two parents from each team volunteer as Team Manager/s (TM) to help with managing game day and liaising with the coach.

#### **All other age groups (11 & under, and above)**

All matches are scored, and a ladder is maintained in the Netball Connect app by WDNA. For 11 & under divisions, no finals are played and no premiership is awarded. From 13 & under, the top 4 teams in each division play finals matches and the winner is awarded the premiership for that season.

#### **Conditions of Play**

- All players are expected to attend training once per week (usually 60 minutes). These sessions are held after school at Pinewood Primary School on a weekday as appointed by the Club. It is expected that all players train with their respective teams.
- If a player usually attends after school care with Pinewood OSH Club, parents need to contact OSH Club to advise them of your child's training day.

- Coaches are usually students in year 8 and above or a parent (depending on the age of the child). Coaches are volunteer positions and are not paid for their time.
- Teams are capped at 10 players.
- WDNA operates two seasons during the year. Autumn season is played during Terms 1 and 2 (February – June), and Spring season is played during Terms 3 and 4 (July – December). Matches are not played on long weekends or during school holidays.
- Games are 4 quarters of between 8 to 10 minutes, depending on age group, and are played on Saturdays at Ashwood. You will receive a schedule from your Team Manager and through the Netball Connect app.
- Registration is managed online through the Netball Connect app. Club fees are split across Winter and Spring with most fees being due in the Winter season. Victorian Netball Association (VNA) insurance is also due when registering. Failure to pay either VNA or Club fees will result in the player not being able to take the court.
- In 2024, Pinewood Netball Club annual fee per player is \$315, plus VNA insurance & WDNA fee of \$76 for juniors (\$84 for adults).
- Fees include a payment to Waverley District Netball Association for the competition, equipment, uniforms, coach development and resources, Presentation Day and adhoc clinics.
- Uniforms are provided by the club and registered to each player at the start of the year. The cost of uniforms is included in the annual player fee. These uniforms are to be returned at the end of each year or when a player ceases playing for Pinewood Netball Club. A loss of uniform will result in a \$25 replacement fee.
- If leggings or long sleeve tops are worn under uniforms, these must be navy blue. No other colours are allowed. Players will be asked to remove these if they are of the incorrect colour.
- Club hooded jumpers (hoodies) are available to purchase at the beginning of each year. The club must reach a minimum order of 20 hoodies before an order can be placed with our manufacturer. Hoodies are not compulsory, but many of our players and parents choose to wear these on match day. Please note that Club hoodies are not to be worn to school if your child is attending Pinewood Primary School. This is not part of the school uniform.

### **Game Day**

- Team Managers will let you know what time to arrive at the game. This is usually approximately 20-30 minutes prior to the game to allow players to warm up
- Nails must be cut short.
- No jewellery can be worn on court unless for religious reasons, but this must be taped down.
- Earrings must be taped or removed.
- Hair should be tied or clipped back to keep out of players' eyes.
- Wear full uniform and runners. We recommend that players invest in a pair of proper netball runners for better support and to reduce injuries. White socks are also to be worn.
- Bring a drink bottle.
- For home games (when we are named first on the schedule), we need to provide a scorer. The TM will ask all parents to take a turn scoring.
- The aim is for all players get equal time on the court. However, depending on the number of players in a team this may not be possible every week, but will be distributed over a season.
- During the finals series, not all players may receive equal game time. Game time is at the discretion of the coach, however, players are guaranteed a minimum of half a game during finals.

We expect parents, other spectators, coaches and committee members to behave in a sportsperson-like way, to encourage and support players of both teams, and to avoid questions or comments on umpiring or coaching decisions. Any issues or concerns should be taken to the Team Manager.

We abide by the Netball Victoria Junior Player [code of behaviour](#), the parent / guardian [code of behaviour](#), and the spectator [code of behaviour](#).

### **Protocol for matches**

To ensure our players and coaches can perform at their best, we ask that all parents and players abide by our match-day protocols:

1. Parents sit away from the coaches: giving the coaches some physical space/separation from parents during the game allows coaches to make decisions without undue influence from parents.
2. Players who are not playing for a quarter/half during a game are to sit with the coaches.
3. Drink bottles are to be placed in the drink holder upon arrival, and coaches/TM's will manage drinks during the breaks.
4. **Parents are asked not to shout instructions to their player during the match. The players become confused when hearing instruction from parents and often the player may be following coach's instruction. Of course, encourage your child from the sideline, but please leave the coaching to the coaches.**
5. Rotation: in the first few years of netball, rotating players through different positions is really important for their development. Even if someone shows a real aptitude for a position, there will be no set positions for 9/U. The coaches will ensure that rotations are managed fairly.
6. Sitting off: Only 7 players are on court at any one time. Players will be substituted at quarter breaks if there are more than 7 players playing. Substitutions are at the discretion of the coach.
7. Any feedback for the coaches to be directed to the Team Manager.