

# Senior Mixed Netball

The Surf Coast Netball Association MIXED competition gives male and female players the opportunity to take the court and experience a fast-paced netball game. As with our existing seniors competition, the emphasis is always on team camaraderie and fun. Our mixed games are suitable for players wanting to try netball for the first time as well as more experienced players who are keen to return to the court.

## Age requirements

The competition is most suited to players 18 years and over, however we will allow players from the age of 15+ to take the court if they demonstrate a suitable level of skill. These exceptions will be at the discretion of the umpire and/or coach and must have permission from the player's parent or guardian.

In accordance with Netball Victoria policies, this competition is mixed. All genders and non-binary players are welcome to register, but with restrictions. Every SCNA mixed team must have a minimum of one (1) male player per game, with a maximum of three (3) males allowed on the court at any one time (one per third).

#### **Fixture**

Where possible and dependent on team numbers, senior games will be conducted indoors between 6pm and 9pm on Thursday at Wurdi Baierr Stadium. Pending the number of teams that register, games may also be held outdoors at a local Torquay school (TBC).

All game information (teams, times and courts) will be available on NetballConnect.

#### Scoring

All games will be scored, using the on-site scoreboard and live scoring through NetballConnect. Each team must provide a suitable scorer for every game (16+ years).

## **Uniforms**

All teams must have matching/similar outfits in the same colours. Players can wear a skirt, shorts or leggings if there are no pockets. All teams must supply their own bibs.

#### **Teams**

A minimum of five mixed teams per season is required for the competition to proceed. If there are 10 or more mixed teams, we will conduct grading during rounds 1-3 of the new season and teams will be divided into A grade and B grade.

### Registration

Every player must have current VNA insurance (Netball Victoria membership), either by registering as an SCNA player through NetballConnect and paying the annual Netball Victoria membership fee (prices in graphic below) for VNA, or by purchasing Single Game Vouchers each week for \$5. All player names must appear on the

team list on NetballConnect prior to the game. Any player whose name does not appear must show proof of Single Game Voucher and/or VNA or they are ineligible to take the court.

## Fill-in players

If a mixed team requires fill-in players, they can borrow a player from any other existing SCNA seniors team. Mixed players may play a maximum of four games in each season for another SCNA team without penalty or restriction.

#### Team manager

Every SCNA team is required to have a nominated Team Manager, who will be the official point of contact between the Association and the team.

## Player Eligibility & Game Checkoffs

- Team managers must tick off all players on the iPad before the game starts
- If a player's name does not appear, contact SCNA within 24 hours so the game can be counted
- Unticked players may be ruled ineligible for games
- SCNA will not backlog games in the lead up to finals
- Please keep an eye on player statistics to ensure your team has enough eligible players for finals.

## **Court Supervising Officer (CSO)**

The Surf Coast Netball Association (SCNA) has appointed two Court Supervising Officers (CSOs) for all competitions at Wurdi Baierr Stadium to ensure adequate SCNA representation. CSOs are responsible for assisting and supporting all SCNA members, including players, team managers, coaches, umpires, parents, and spectators, and for liaising with stadium staff as required.

#### **Forfeits**

Please refer to the **Forfeit Procedure** poster for the correct steps to follow when forfeiting. You should also read the **By Laws** document for further details on recent changes to scoring in the event of a forfeit.

If your opposition forfeits, you are welcome to use your scheduled court time for a team training session. Just let the **Court Supervising Officer** know when you arrive.



#### **Code of Conduct**

All parents and spectators must adhere to the Netball Victoria Code of Conduct to ensure a positive, respectful environment for all participants.

#### **Finals**

Finals will be conducted in the last two rounds of the season. Week one of finals will be Semi Finals (1 v 4 and 2 v 3), followed by Grand Finals in the last week. Each player must have played a minimum of five (5) games with one team during the season to be eligible for finals.

## **Season Dates**

- Summer Season: Starts in early Term 4, ending in Term 1 of the following year.
- Winter Season: Starts in early Term 2, ending in Term 3.

For Junior, Senior and Mixed teams, the season will consist of 15-16 rounds of regular games followed by two rounds of finals. Beginner teams will play 17-18 rounds of regular games and no finals.

## **Team Fees**

Team registration fees, set by the SCNA Committee, cover court hire, umpire, administration, CSO fees, and equipment costs. Last season the team registration fee was \$1,525, plus applicable transaction fees. Players must also have current Netball Victoria membership for insurance. Pending a decision of the committee, team registration costs may change slightly to help cover competition operating costs.

# **Putting a Team Forward**

Keep an eye on SCNA social media accounts for when the new season registration opens.