

# WELCOME TO THE 2022 NETBALL SEASON

The Carlingford Netball Club Committee welcomes you to the Winter Netball Season. For those who are new to our club we extend a special welcome, and for those who are old hands, welcome back for another season! We hope that your child enjoys the experience of playing Netball and that as parents, you also share the enjoyment of participating in your child's sport and meeting other families from across our wonderful community.

Please take time to read through this handout as it contains important information for the season ahead. We have also attempted to answer some of the questions most frequently asked by newcomers to our club and Netball.

We wish you a great season with us at Carlo and please get back to us with any questions!

# 022 Season Information

#### **Season Start Dates**

- NetSetGO Beginners Squad Term 1 Wed 2 February to Wed 30 March
- Under 8s and 9s NetSetGO Set & Go Fri 29 April
- Under 10s to Seniors Sat 30 April

Teams will be finalised and announced following Grading Day and the close of registrations on 6 March.

Grading's Day will be held where the club receives registrations for two or more teams in the same age group or where we are looking to ascertain the correct/preferred division to enter a team.

# Which playing products do I need?

- Carlingford Netball Jade Green & Navy Blue Dress
- Boyleg briefs/Pants Navy
- Carlingford Netball Socks

Please note that **full uniform** is required for all teams – including Under 8's and 9's by the first game of the season. Carlingford Netball Club also encourages the purchase of the following new or second hand items:

- Carlingford Netball Polar Fleece Jacket
- Carlingford Netball Polo Shirt
- Carlingford Netball Blue/Green Hair Ties

Uniform purchases can be made at registration, through the club directly by email to <a href="mailto:carlonetball@gmail.com">carlonetball@gmail.com</a>, our annual second hand uniform Facebook post or the Sydney Netball Shop at 62/14 Loyalty Road, North Rocks.

# **Frequently Asked Questions**

## Q: When will I know what team my child is in?

A: Teams will be announced by email in early March, following Grading Day

## Q: At what times are the games played?

A: NetSetGO Set – Under 8's play on Friday night at 6pm

NetSetGO Set – Under 9's play on Friday night at 7pm.

NetSetGO GO - Under 10's play on Saturday morning at 8.15am\*

**Juniors** – Under 11's play on Saturday morning at either 8.15am, 9.30am, 10.45am or 12pm (Comp division dependent) -\*

**Cadets and Seniors** play on Saturday afternoon at either 1.15pm, 2.30pm or 3.45pm (Comp division dependent)

Winter Competition Grades and Game Times will be posted by the Hills District Netball Association (HDNA) by Wednesday March 21. -\* Juniors may play an additional round on Friday Night (Comp division dependent).

## Q: When will the competition draw be available and when are games played?

A: Fixtures for all competitions will become available by Wednesday April 20. The first round of the competition commences on Friday April 29 or Saturday April 30 with the final round of the regular season concluding on Friday August 19 or Saturday August 20. The finals for Junior, Cadets and Seniors are held on Saturday August 27, Saturday September 3 & Saturday September 10.

## Q: Do we play during school holidays?

A: The competition is played throughout school terms two and three with a break for school holidays. Week 9 (July 15 & 16) returns to play on the weekend prior to the commencement of Term 3.

#### Q: Where are games played?

**A:** All games are played locally at the HDNA Netball Courts, located at Britannia Street, Pennant Hills.

#### Q: When will the team train?

A: Training days and times are worked out by Coaches, in conjunction with teams prior to the commencement of the season. Typically, training is held midweek – either Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday evenings. Training is held at our home courts at Don Moore Reserve, North Rocks.

#### Q: What happens when it's been raining – do we still have to play and train?

Games at Pennant Hills are played on an all-weather surface designed to quickly dry and pool rainwater away from the court. HDNA advise each club if conditions are unsafe for play in advance and we advise your team manager and parents when play is called off. Please assume that games will continue to be played (even when raining) until otherwise advised by Carlingford Netball Club.

Training at Don Moore Reserve is currently held on an older asphalt surface that takes much longer to dry following rain. Your Coach and Team Manager will advise the team if training is cancelled.

#### Q: When is Grading Day and why does Carlo grade its teams?

**A:** We look forward to welcoming players and parents to Grading Day which will be held on Sunday March 6.

The aim of grading is to form teams which have a balanced group of players of similar ability across all playing positions. Ensuring both defending and attacking positions are equally weighed throughout the teams in each age group so that our teams are competitive against other teams across the age group.

Teams are selected to build resilience and confidence in our players, preparing them for change throughout life and making new friends is one skill we are sure they are all prepared for. Please remember this when the teams are announced and encourage your child to embrace any change that comes their way.

Carlingford Netball Club aims to ensure that team grading is conducted fairly and effectively. Please familiarise yourself with the club's grading policy which can be found in the Policies and Documents section of our website.

