



Winter Pre-Season Trials

The St Monica's Netball Club will hold Junior pre-season trial sessions commencing in early February each year, as advised on the Club Website, Face Book page, and Registration Form. The purpose of these sessions is to select teams to compete in the SAUCNA winter season.

Squad Sessions

The St Monica's Netball Club may hold a squad session to aid with the player selection process. Squad sessions will be held after the trials and will group players together according to their skill level. These sessions will provide further opportunity for Selectors to allocate players and fine-tune teams.

Attendance

- Players in U8 and U9 with enough registrations to fill multiple teams may be required to participate in a squad training session in early February 2020 to assist with team and player allocations.
- Players in U11, U13, U15 and U17 junior age divisions with more than 10 registrations are required to attend pre-season trials in order to be correctly graded into an appropriate team to compete in the upcoming season. Attendance allows selection panel members to make judgement as to appropriate team selection.
- In the event that junior players are unable to attend the trial sessions, selectors and club officials will consider previous playing experience, performance and draw upon reports from previous coaches and statistics, if available.
- It is also important that players who attend pre-season trials understand, that whilst their attendance will certainly be an advantage, there will be other players who may come into consideration for team selection.
- Players who have not registered prior to selection trials will only be placed in teams with vacancies, following the selection process.

Selection Panels

The selection process is a comprehensive process, involving many hours of volunteered time from the panel members and the selection supervisor(s).

SMNC seeks to use selectors who are independent from trialling players, and possess sufficient skill and knowledge for this task. Selection panels will report to the selection supervisor(s), who will be responsible for organising the trial days, and providing information and support to the selectors during the process.

Selection panels will not discuss selection matters with players, parents or those not involved in the selection process, either during or after the selection trials.





Selection Criteria

Players will attend pre-season trials in the appropriate age group, and be available to represent the club in the team selected. Teams will be selected by the Selection Panel who may seek further input from previous coaches, and the selection supervisor(s), where necessary.

Players will be allocated equitable court time, as a minimum, in their first two nominated positions by the selection supervisor(s). It is therefore important that players nominate their preferred positions on the registration form as this is a key criteria considered in formation of final teams.

Opportunity to trial in further positions will be subject to time constraints and any wishes from the selectors to view players in other positions/combinations.

Players will be placed after consideration of the following:

- Ability
- Experience
- Past performances
- Positions played
- Positions required
- Team dynamics
- Reliability
- Development requirements

Selection Time Line

Teams will be announced by your coach as soon as possible following the trial process.

Grievances and Procedures

Our club is committed to providing an environment where all members feel valued and respected. Club members have the right to express opinions and provide suggestions to benefit players.

Any grievances are kept confidential and are addressed as promptly and fairly as possible.

Player Selections: any grievances in regard to selections are to be emailed to club secretary/president within 48 hours of receiving notification of team placement.

Concerns will be addressed with head selectors and/or members of the selection panel. We ask parents and players alike to respect the decisions made.

Players will not always be selected in the same team their friend(s) are in. Players may also find they are selected in a team based on the requirement to fill key positions.

Registration fees will not be refunded because parents or players are dissatisfied with the selection outcome.

Grievances during the season: these should firstly be expressed with team coach and/or team manager. If not resolved, please email the club secretary/president.

