



# 2026

# MEMBERS GUIDE

*This guide is to provide our members with the knowledge and understanding of who we are and the roles, responsibilities and expectations of becoming a member of the Strathalbyn Netball Club*

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## ABOUT US

The Strathalbyn Netball Club Inc is an Incorporated Association that provides opportunities for both junior and senior players, coaches, umpires, and committee members to participate in a club with a caring, nurturing, inclusive and friendly environment.

We are currently one of the largest clubs affiliated with the Great Southern Netball Association and are governed by the policies, procedures and codes of Netball SA and Netball Australia.

The club had a humble beginning in 1926 as a single team, under the banner of the Strathalbyn Girls Sports Club where friendly matches were played on dirt courts. In 1937 the club commenced playing in its first organised competition when the Strathalbyn Basketball Association was formed. In 1948 our team played B Grade in the newly formed Hills Central Basketball Association where they continued to grow before being accepted as an affiliate member of the Great Southern Netball Association in 1980.

We respect our history, the time and contribution of those who have been before us and value the sound foundation and opportunities they have provided for our current and future members.

## VALUES AND VIRTUES

We are committed to instilling the following values and virtues in our members

### **INTEGRITY**

We expect high standards of behaviour in each other. We value honesty, fairness and trust and always work within the rules and follow codes of conducts

### **TEAMWORK**

We understand that individuals possess diverse talents, weaknesses and strengths but we commit a team-first approach by working harder as individuals to motivate, cooperate with and support each other. We share credit and responsibility.

### **SPORTSMANSHIP**

Sportsmanship is demonstrated by us playing fair and by the rules, respecting our opposition, umpires and coaches and being gracious in both winning and losing.

### **RESPECT**

Respect is measured by how we treat each other. We treat each other with dignity and equality and value all contributions.

### **EFFORT**

We value deduction, rigour, sacrifice and perseverance. Effort will lead us to achieve that which may seem impossible.

### **AMBITION**

We strive to be at our best, to achieve maximum performance in all aspects of life and in doing so continuously grow and improve.

### **UNITY**

We are one Club, we support each other. We collaborate and we make decision in the best interest of our Club as a whole.

### **OPENNESS AND TRANSPARENCY**

We promote open, transparent, cooperative decision making. We are welcoming, inclusive and embrace diversity.

## MEMBERSHIP AND FEES

There are many forms of membership associated with the Strathalbyn Netball Club. Each member plays their own role and is essential to the long term running of the club.

Membership of the Strathalbyn Netball Club includes

- Committee Members
- Players
- Coaches
- Umpires
- Associate Members
- Parents and Guardians
- Supporters and Spectators
- Life Members
- Patrons

The fees associated with being a financial member of the Strathalbyn Netball Club are:

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| • Senior Player (18 and over as at 31 <sup>st</sup> Dec) | \$ 100.00    |
| • Senior Player - Full Time Student                      | \$ 60.00     |
| • Junior Player (Under 18 as at 31 <sup>st</sup> Dec)    | \$ 65.00     |
| • Associate Member                                       | \$ 50.00     |
| • Senior Player - Life Member                            | \$ No Charge |

 *Note: Australian Netball, Netball SA, GSNA player fees and PlayHQ admin fees will be charged on top of our club fees, when registering via PlayHQ.*

It is a requirement that Committee Members are members of the club and therefore need to be associate members or financial players of the club.

To be covered by insurance coaches and umpires are required to be registered via PlayHQ. Coaches and umpires may also choose to register with the Netball SA Coaches and Umpires Association – link [here](#).

## COMMITTEE

The role of the Strathalbyn Netball Club committee is to manage, in line with our Constitution and the policies and procedures of the Club, the Great Southern Netball Association, Netball SA and Netball Australia, the business and affairs of the Strathalbyn Netball Club.

Our committee comprises a minimum of 10 members


The following roles are elected at the club's AGM each year

### **President**

The President is the Chairperson of the committee and is responsible for coordinating the business and affairs of the club

### **Vice President**

The Vice President will assist the President as required and will accept the presidential duties when the president is unavailable to fulfil these duties.

 *Note: The President and Vice President are also responsible for the club's correspondence and documentation including the management of communication on the club's confidential email address [strathalbynnnetballclub@gmail.com](mailto:strathalbynnnetballclub@gmail.com)*

### **Minute Secretary**

The Minute Secretary is responsible for the documentation pertaining to general meetings held by the club and the distribution of agendas and minutes for such meetings.

### **Treasurer**

The Treasurer is responsible for the maintenance of the club's financial records and will be required to present a financial report at general meetings held by the club and the Annual General Meeting. They will also be required to prepare financial reports for audit at the end of the financial year.

### **Recording Officer**

The Recording Officer is responsible for maintaining a register of all playing members, ensuring scores are entered on PlayHQ and score cards and other documentation pertaining to matches is provided to GSNA as required. They will also hold the club's player votes and coordinate the counting of these at the end of the season.

### **General Members**

General Members will assist in other roles as required for the day to day running of the club and can be assigned other roles that are essential to the running of the club as required by the committee.

Other roles that are required may include but are not limited to:

#### Coach Coordinator

Responsibilities include appointing and providing support to coaches, assisting coaches with their development, coordinating selections and providing communication between coaches and the committee

#### Umpire Coordinator

Responsibilities include recruiting and training umpires, coordinating the Umpire Development and Mentoring program and as a member of the committee will be the main line of communication between umpires and the committee

#### Uniform Coordinator

Responsibilities include ordering, fittings and distributing uniforms for players and umpires

#### Equipment Coordinator

Responsibilities include purchasing balls, medical supplies and other equipment as required. Ensuring team bags are set up at the beginning of the season and maintaining stock in first aid kits in team bags throughout the season

#### GSNA Delegate

Responsibilities include attending the monthly Great Southern Netball Association (GSNA) meetings as a representative of the Strathalbyn Netball Club and reporting at our meetings the outcomes of such meetings

#### SOCC Delegate

Responsibilities include attending the monthly Strathalbyn Oval Controlling Committee (SOCC) meetings as a representative of the Strathalbyn Netball Club and reporting at our meetings the outcomes of such meetings

#### Grants Officer

Responsibilities include sourcing and preparing grant applications for equipment and major projects as required

#### Sponsorship Coordinator

Responsibilities include distributing sponsorship request information, maintaining responses and details of current sponsors and organising invoices for sponsors as requested

#### Registration Coordinator

Responsibilities include preparing and maintaining forms for player applications, registrations and online payments and ensure teams are registered on PlayHQ by the deadlines as set by GSNA.

#### Canteen Coordinator

Responsibilities include preparing rosters and assisting the Canteen Manager as required.



## **CHILD RELATED SCREENING**

It is a requirement that everyone working with children has a Working With Children screening with the Department of Human Services within the previous 5 years; therefore this is a requirement of all committee members, coaches and other volunteers in contact with children.

These checks are free for South Australian volunteers.

Applicants need to be registered through our club's DCSI portal and will then receive an email to complete their online application. To commence the screening process, please email [strathalbynnnetballclub@gmail.com](mailto:strathalbynnnetballclub@gmail.com) with your name, preferred email address and date of birth.

## **CODE OF BEHAVIOUR**

In addition to the Strathalbyn Netball Club, Great Southern Netball Association, Netball SA and Netball Australia's General Code of Behaviour, our committee members must meet the requirements with regard to their conduct in their role as a committee member.

*Please see appendix 1 for the General Code of Behaviour and the one specific to your role as a committee member.*

Strathalbyn Netball Club Committee for 2025	
Presidents	Leah Bertholini & Lisa Smith
Vice President	
Minute Secretary	Leah Bertholini
Treasurer	Bobbi Hutchins
Recording Officer	Kimberly Scott
GSNA Delegate(s)	Leah Bertholini & Sherrilee Barbary
SOCC Delegate	Lisa Smith
Sponsorship and Grants Coordinator	Lisa Smith
Coach Coordinator	Leah Bertholini
Umpires Coordinators	Sherrilee Barbary & Nicole Formby
Canteen Coordinator	TBC
Electronic Communication including Social Media	Jo Thornley
Equipment Coordinator	TBC
Uniform Coordinator	Donna Schubert & Kim Scott
Registration Coordinator	Leah Bertholini
Public Officer	Leah Bertholini
Child Protection Officer	Kym Diepgrond
General Member	<div> <div>Deb Woolford</div> <div>Kim Cutting</div> </div> <div> <div>Jess Darling</div> <div>Amy Smith</div> </div>

Communication for all committee members is to be sent to [strathalbynnnetballclub@gmail.com](mailto:strathalbynnnetballclub@gmail.com) and it will be forwarded on as required.

 *Note: This is a confidential email address accessed only by the President and Vice President*

## PLAYERS

Being affiliated with the Great Southern Netball Association, the Strathalbyn Netball Club has the opportunity to submit teams in the following grades

Seniors	18 years and older as at the 31 <sup>st</sup> December in the year of play
Inters	14 to 17 years old as at the 31 <sup>st</sup> December in the year of play
13 and Under	12 or 13 years old as at the 31 <sup>st</sup> December in the year of play
11 and Under	10 or 11 years old as at the 31 <sup>st</sup> December in the year of play
9 and Under	8 or 9 years old as at the 31 <sup>st</sup> December in the year of play

## REGISTRATION

Registrations to play will open as soon as possible, anytime between mid-December the year prior or to mid-January in the year of play and will close at the end of January or when allocations are exhausted. Registrations will be accepted after this time if positions are still available. As the number of teams has been set by GSNA prior to the season starting, we will be capping registration numbers for teams to ensure we can offer positions to those registering. After registrations are full, we will offer a waitlist to those still interested in playing.

All players are to register via Play HQ.

To create an account or log in go to <https://playhq.com/>

 *The club has no access to personal PlayHQ profile and therefore cannot assist with any queries or management of your account.*

*For help or support with PlayHQ go to <https://support.playhq.com/>*

Fees are payable at the time of registration and will be inclusive of all fees and charges applicable for Australian Netball, Netball SA, GSNA and SNC. We encourage you to contact the club if you are unable to register for financial reasons.

Requests can be made to pay the Strathalbyn Netball Club component by instalments by contacting our registration coordinator [strathalbynnnetballclub@gmail.com](mailto:strathalbynnnetballclub@gmail.com). On application you will be provided with a voucher number that can be used at time of payment.

## PRESEASON TRAINING AND TEAM SELECTIONS

The preseason training and selections will commence in February and will run for between 4 and 6 weeks leading up to the start of the season.

It is an expectation that where possible, players make themselves available during this time to ensure everyone is graded for team selection fairly and equally.

Team selections will be made based on the following criteria obtained during the selection process:

- Skills and knowledge demonstrated
- Effort and Intensity
- Ability to listen and follow instructions
- How they work as part of a team and incorporate with others
- Positions and flexibility to move positions
- Availability for training/ playing/ finals

To provide players with the best opportunity to demonstrate their skills, knowledge and experience prior to team selection the committee have developed a 3-phase selection process for all teams (excluding 9 & Unders).

### Phase 1: Squad trial games

Athletes will be observed and graded based on their skills, knowledge, effort and intensity demonstrated through a series of short games. Organisers will aim to ensure that athletes get to have multiple opportunities in their preferred positions, but at times during this period athletes may have to trial in positions they have not nominated as preferred.

At the end of this phase players will be nominated into squads graded based on 'like' abilities


### Phase 2: Squad Training

This phase gives athletes the opportunity to continue enhancing their basic skills and also perform in game like situations against players of similar abilities. Coaches and selectors will further assess athletes during this time.

At the completion of this phase players will be nominated in teams

### Phase 3: Team Training

Each coach will have the opportunity to work with their teams independently

 **Note:** Team selections made at the end of phase 2 will be interim teams only and movement will be made if deemed necessary to ensure the best fit of players is achieved and to promote success across all grades as information is made available from GSNA regarding grades and team allocations.

## TRAINING


Training for all teams is scheduled on Tuesday nights or as nominated by the coach.

Regular attendance at training provides the best opportunities for players to refine their skills, knowledge and understanding of the game. It also enables teams to build strength and confidence in playing together as a team to promote on court success.

In fairness to other players in teams, we ask players to make a commitment to support their team and attend training each week unless there are extenuating circumstances that prevent attendance.


## MATCH DAY

As an affiliated club with the Great Southern Netball Association we follow the Great Southern Football League program and play 18 rounds plus finals, scheduled to be played on Saturdays between April and the middle of September.

 *Note: No games are scheduled over Easter or the June long weekend*

Each club is responsible for scheduling match times for their teams, but generally Junior matches start between 8.00 am and 12 noon and Senior matches at either 12 noon, 1:30pm or 3.00 pm.

From time-to-time players may be required to be available for other teams. It is club policy that fill-in players will only be given court time if the regular team members are unable to play, so should not expect to take the court. Offering to sit on the bench for another team is a great way of showing support for other teams and our club in general.

 *Note: If you are a parent/guardian of a child that has been asked to fill-in /sit bench for another team please ensure you discuss with your child that they will not go on court unless required so they have no expectation to take the court.*

## PLAYER OPPORTUNITIES, COURT TIME AND MOVEMENT

The Strathalbyn Netball Club encourages all junior players to have a wide and varied experience through their journey as a netballer.

In their developing years, they will be provided with opportunities to play across all areas of the court and as they progress as a netballer they will be encouraged to develop skills and knowledge of at least 3 different positions.

Team selection for the finals will be based on attitude, dedication, and reliability throughout the season. This also includes best match up of players for the opposition. Coaches are encouraged to attempt to play all players during finals, however the club supports coaches to play the team that fits the before mentioned desirable criteria.

## **JUNIOR PLAYER DEVELOPMENT AND PATHWAYS**

There are several opportunities for our players to further their skills knowledge and understanding of the game and we encourage all players to participate in these programs.

### **GSNA Representative Teams**

The Great Southern Netball Association seeks registrations for teams in all age groups including 11 & Under, 13 & Under, 15 & Under, 17 & Under and Seniors to represent the association at several carnivals throughout the season. Registration information will be sent out via the club emails.

### **Netball SA Adelaide Thunderbirds Talent Academy**

This program is open to 14 – 16-year-olds. Athletes will be provided with opportunities to improve their skills and understanding of all aspects of the game and will also be exposed to high performance coaches in order to develop pathways into the state team and future netball opportunities. Further information is available on the Netball SA website.

### **Netball SA Holiday Clinics**

Netball SA provides School Holiday Clinics throughout the year. Each clinic varies depending on the age and skills of the players, but they aim to cover all aspects of the game, such as attacking, defending, goal shooting, ball handling, footwork, as well as match play practise whilst fostering a fun and inclusive environment. Further information is available on the Netball SA website.

## **CODE OF BEHAVIOUR**

In addition to the Strathalbyn Netball Club, Great Southern Netball Association, Netball SA and Netball Australia's General Code of Behaviour, our players must meet the requirements with regard to their conduct in their role as a player.

*Please see appendix 1 for the General Code of Behaviour and the one specific to your role as a player.*

## COACHES

Coaches are an integral part of a club and generally hold many responsibilities including teachers, leaders, motivators and cheer squad all rolled into one.

### COACH COORDINATOR

The Strathalbyn Netball Club committee will appoint a Coach Coordinator who will also be a member of the committee.

Responsibilities include appointing and providing support to coaches, assisting coaches with their development, coordinating selections and providing communication between coaches and the committee.

### REGISTRATION

All coaches need register via PlayHQ and can choose to be a member of the Coaches and Umpires Association. This annual fee will be reimbursed by the club.

<https://sa.netball.com.au/coaches-and-umpire-association>

As a coach of the Strathalbyn Netball Club, it is a minimum expectation that you have completed the online Netball SA Foundation coaching course. Fees will be reimbursed by the club.

<https://sa.netball.com.au/coaching-accreditation>

It is also a requirement that everyone working with children has had a Working With Children screening with the Department of Human Services within the previous 5 years.

These checks are free for South Australian volunteers.

Applicants need to be registered through our club's DCSI portal and will then receive an email to complete their online application. To commence the registration process please email [strathalbynnnetballclub@gmail.com](mailto:strathalbynnnetballclub@gmail.com) with your name, preferred email address and date of birth.

### CODE OF BEHAVIOUR

In addition to the Strathalbyn Netball Club, Great Southern Netball Association, Netball SA and Netball Australia's General Code of Behaviour, our coaches must meet the requirements with regard to their conduct in their role as a coach.

*Please see appendix 1 for the General Code of Behaviour and the one specific to your role as a coach.*


## COACH DEVELOPMENT AND PATHWAYS

Strathalbyn Netball Club encourages coaches to obtain Foundation Coaching Accreditation as a minimum. Please speak to the Coach Coordinator for further information.

Netball SA offers various nationally accredited coaching courses available to netball coaches either looking to gain basic accreditation or coaches looking to further their existing accreditation.

### Netball Australia Accredited Courses

- Foundation Coaching Accreditation
- Development Coaching Accreditation
- Intermediate Coaching Accreditation
- Advanced Coaching Accreditation
- Elite Coaching Accreditation
- High Performance Coaching Accreditation

 *Note: participants of any Netball SA Coaching Course must be a current registered member of Netball SA either as a registered player or through the Netball SA Coaches and Umpires Association. To become a member please refer to Netball SA website.*

Netball SA also runs further development courses and workshops.

Accreditations must be updated every four years which can be completed online. To update accreditations please go to the link below:

<https://netball.com.au/coaching-accreditation>

The Netball Australia Coach Accreditation Framework provides information on the accreditation structure and competency statements, policies, procedures and general information at it relates to coach accreditation. For further information go to

<https://netball.com.au/sites/default/files/2020-02/2020-National-Coach-Accreditation-Framework.pdf>



## **JUNIOR COACH DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM**

This program is designed for juniors who would like to become a future club coach.

The club will work with, train and mentor junior coaches and help them gain the knowledge, skills and confidence to be able to coach independently when they are seniors.

All participants undertaking the program need to

- Be registered as a coach in PlayHQ and may choose to be a member of the Netball SA Coaches and Umpires Association
- Complete the Foundation Coaching Course Online
- Download and read the Rules of Netball and complete the Umpire Exam

Participants may be expected to complete an athlete's diary that outlines the following

- Club provided training and courses attended
- Additional training and courses attended
- Hours shadowing experienced coaches
- Hours coaching at training nights etc
- Quiz section
- Mentoring Review

### **Stage1**

The first year of the program is designed for junior coaches to gain as much knowledge and understanding of the game and the importance of their role as a coach.

During this stage the junior coach will be assisting and working with a mentor coach and will be shadowing them on game days.

To gain the most benefit from the program the junior coaches will be encouraged to be actively involved both at trainings and on game day

### **Stage 2**

At this stage the junior coach will be encouraged to plan and execute their own training program under the guidance of their mentor.

They will also be guided through match days as they gradually take more control over the match day procedures and movement of players.

The junior coach will be mentored during the match and their mentor will provide them with verbal feedback throughout the match and written feedback in their athlete's diary

## UMPIRES

Umpires are an integral part of the game but a good umpire should not be noticed. They are there to keep the game fair and to provide the opportunity for everyone to play the game in a safe, friendly and enjoyable environment.

### UMPIRE COORDINATOR

The SNC committee will appoint an Umpire Coordinator who will also be a member of the committee.

This person will be responsible for recruiting and training umpires, coordinating the Umpire Development and Mentoring program and as a member of the committee will be the main line of communication between umpires and the committee

### REGISTRATIONS AND MEMBERSHIPS

All umpires need to be a registered in PlayHQ and may choose to register as a member of the Netball SA Coaches and Umpires Association <https://sa.netball.com.au/coaches-and-umpire-association>

As an umpire for the Strathalbyn Netball Club, it is a minimum expectation, that umpires complete the Rules of Netball Theory Exam every 2 years or when major change to the rules occur. <https://sa.netball.com.au/rulesofnetballtheoryexam>

Any umpires that are new to the game or would like to update their skills and knowledge are encouraged to complete the Foundation Umpire Education Course <https://sa.netball.com.au/foundationumpireeducationcourse/>

Umpires also need to ensure they are up to date with any new rules or changes to rule interpretations


### PAYMENTS

Umpires will be paid at the end of the season for matches umpired throughout the season based on their level of accreditation

B Badge	\$40.00	C Badge	\$30.00
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Un-Badged	\$15.00 (9&U, 11&U & 13&U games) or \$20 (Inters and Senior games)
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Coloured Shirt \$10.00 per game

 *Note: Un-badged umpires are required to umpire a minimum of 5 games through the season before payment is made. If they have umpired 5 or more matches through the season they will be paid for all games.*

## UMPIRE DEVELOPMENT AND MENTORING PROGRAM

This program is open to all beginner umpires regardless of age.

 *Note: The recommended minimum age is 12 years however, involvement in the program is based on other factors and suitability can be discussed with the umpire coordinator.*

The club will offer a 2 stage program in line with the Netball SA Coloured Shirt Program where they will work with, train and mentor beginner umpires and help them gain the knowledge, skills and confidence to be able to competently umpire a game of netball.

All umpires undertaking the program need to


- Register as an umpire in PlayHQ
- May choose to be a member of the Netball SA Coaches and Umpires Association or
- Be registered in the Netball SA Coloured Shirt program via PlayHQ or via our club version of this program
- Complete the Umpire Level 1 theory exam
- Complete the Foundation Umpire Education Course  
<https://sa.netball.com.au/foundationumpireeducationcourse/>
- Download and read the Rules of Netball

Umpires will be expected to complete an athlete's diary that outlines the following

- Club provided training and courses attended
- Additional training and courses attended
- Hours shadowing experienced umpires
- Hours umpiring on training nights etc
- Quiz section
- Mentoring Review

### Stage1

The first year of the program is designed for the coloured shirt umpire to gain as much knowledge and understanding of the game and the importance of their role as an umpire.


 *Note: This first year is a development and training year and coloured shirt umpires should not expect to take the court on match days. The umpire coordinator in conjunction with the committee will determine an umpire's readiness to take the court match day before they umpire a match day game.*

### Stage 2

At this stage the coloured shirt umpires will progress toward being able to umpire on match day and/or umpiring more regularly.

The umpire coordinator in conjunction with the committee will determine an umpire's readiness to progress through this stage.

The coloured shirt umpire will be mentored during the match and their mentor will provide them with verbal feedback during breaks and written feedback in their athlete's diary

 *Note: Participants in the program will be reimbursed for their course, association and examination fees by the club.*

## **CODE OF BEHAVIOUR**

In addition to the Strathalbyn Netball Club, Great Southern Netball Association, Netball SA and Netball Australia's General Code of Behaviour, our umpires must meet the requirements with regard to their conduct in their role as an umpire

*Please see appendix 1 for the General Code of Behaviour and the one specific to your role as a coach*

## ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP

Associate members of the Strathalbyn Netball Club are non playing financial members.

We have many people that choose to support the club as financial members by paying the fees as nominated at the AGM.

All Associate members are entitled to receive a netball gate pass each season once their membership has been paid.

## PARENTS AND GUARDIANS

Our junior player's parents and guardians are valued members of our club as without them many of our junior players would not be able to play. Not only do they provide the means for our junior players to participate but they are also important as volunteers to maintain the club.

We encourage our parents and guardians to support and encourage their children, but respect that they are children and each child is a unique individual that will learn and develop at their own pace.

In addition to the Strathalbyn Netball Club, Great Southern Netball Association, Netball SA and Netball Australia's General Code of Behaviour, our parents and guardians must meet the requirements with regard to their conduct in their role as a parent or guardian.

*Please see appendix 1 for the General Code of Behaviour and the one specific to your role as a Parent or Guardian.*

## SUPPORTERS AND SPECTATORS

Supporters and spectators round out our club and often provide players with a sense of satisfaction and self worth knowing that they are important enough for someone to be on the sidelines encouraging and supporting them.

In addition to the Strathalbyn Netball Club, Great Southern Netball Association, Netball SA and Netball Australia's General Code of Behaviour, our supporters and spectators must meet the requirements with regard to their conduct in their role as a supporter or spectator.

*Please see appendix 1 for the General Code of Behaviour and the one specific to your role as a supporter or spectator.*

## LIFE MEMBERS

Life membership is the highest honour that can be bestowed by the Strathalbyn Netball Club for longstanding and valued service to Netball in South Australia.

### HONORARY LIFE MEMBERS

Our Honorary Life Members are recognised for their longstanding or significant contribution to the club over a period of years.

Any member may recommend a person for Honorary Life Membership by submitting a request in writing to the committee that includes a history of service of the nominee.

Honorary Life Members	
Marlene Megaw	1975
Lena Thorne	1975
Rosemary Dugmore	1977
Pat Hagger	1980
Maxine Haines	1981
Judy Harley	1997
Barb Blaser	1999
Bev Copping	2006
Sue Pryor	2006
Nicole Smith	2008
Leanne Harding	2009
Trevor Alder	2011
Carol Pelle	2013
Belinda Vivian	2013
Linda Putland	2015
Deb Woolford	2016
Kim Cutting	2021
Melissa Osborne	2024
Anne Wallace	2024

## PLAYER LIFE MEMBERS

A player is awarded a player life membership when they have played 300 senior games for the Strathalbyn Netball Club.

Player Life Members	
Toni Pitt	2006
Jo Garwood	2010
Megan Ness	2012
Carol Richardson	2021
Kim Cutting	2021
Leah Bertholini	2024

## PATRONS

Our patrons are non financial members who are long term supporters and have made a significant contribution to the club and are appointed by the committee each year at the AGM.

	<p><b>Marlene Megaw</b></p> <p>Marlene has been a member of the club since she was a child playing on the dirt courts. As well as playing she umpired, coached and was a member of the committee for many years. Marlene or Marls as she is commonly known can still be seen at the courts supporting our teams. She was awarded her Life Membership in 1975 and has been a Patroness of the club since 1976.</p>
	<p><b>Bev Clark</b></p> <p>Bev became involved in the club when she played in the night netball and again when her children started playing for the club. She can still be seen around the club supporting her grandchildren and our teams. Bev has been a Patroness since 2012.</p>
	<p><b>Hellen Ness</b></p> <p>Hellen Ness has been involved in our netball club, closely following, and supporting her daughter, Megan Ness, throughout her netball career. Megan has played for around 30 years, and Hellen has scored most of if not all of these games – a tremendous effort. Hellen has been a Patroness since 2024.</p>
	<p><b>Bev Copping – New Patroness 2026</b></p> <p>Bev joined the club when moving to Strathalbyn in 1984 and has been an active participant in all aspects ever since. In her 40-year association with the Club, Bev has been a player, coach, umpire and committee member. She has made tremendous contributions at both club and management levels, taking on the roles of Treasurer, Vice President and President at various times over these 40 years. We welcome her as Patroness in 2026.</p>

*We would also like to acknowledge the late Dene Moore who was a club Patroness from 1987 to 2010*



## HOW CAN I BE INVOLVED / HELP AND SUPPORT THE CLUB?

As with any club or organisation the Strathalbyn Netball Club would not be able to function or provide our players the opportunity to participate without the 'army' of volunteers that support and assist at the club.

There are many ways that you can contribute to the club and we encourage all members including players, parents and other supporters to offer their time. As the saying goes 'many hands make light work' and when it comes to running a successful and positive club the more people we have volunteer the stronger our club community is.

The following list outlines some of the ways you can help and support the club. Even if you have limited time any contribution assists the club and is greatly appreciated.

If you want any more information or want to volunteer some of your valuable time please email [strathalbynnetballclub@gmail.com](mailto:strathalbynnetballclub@gmail.com)

### **Committee Member**

Our committee meet monthly on Monday nights. New members are always welcome, and we encourage anyone who wants to influence the future direction of their club to become involved.

### **Coach**

No team can take the court without a coach and there are so many rewards in being a coach and seeing players and teams grow and develop throughout the season.

### **Assistant Coach**

An assistant coach can be a great way to begin your journey as a coach and provides you with an opportunity to support the coach but also learn about and experience the role of a coach without the pressure of taking on responsibilities required by a head team coach.

### **Team Manager**

Team managers are a valuable assistant for coaches and work with them to ensure everything required to get a team on court is done. In conjunction with the coach, a team manager will be responsible for communication with players and parents, organising scoring and timing rosters, assisting on match day to ensure scorecards are completed correctly and help with anything else the coach may require assistance with.

### **Umpire**

Without umpires our teams cannot take the court and therefore they are an essential part of the club. Whether you aspire to undertake training and development to be a professional umpire or just want to learn the rules of netball and help on an odd occasion as required, we cater for all levels including providing a mentoring program for beginner umpires.

### **Canteen**

Our canteen is a major source of income for the club and has a reputation as one of the best and well run in the association. All senior and inter players and parents will be expected to man the canteen and/or BBQ for 2-hour shifts between 8.30 am and 4.30 pm on our home games a minimum of 1-2 times per season.

There are also other times throughout the season when we host carnivals and finals where help is also required.

 *Note: Only people 14 years and over are permitted to work in the canteen*

### **BBQ**

Our BBQs are also another way the club can generate additional income to use for the ongoing equipment purchases required each season.

They generally run at home games between 8.30 am to 12 pm and we also run them for most carnivals and finals.

### **Court Set Up**

On match day our courts need to be set up and prepared before 8.30am so that the game day checklist for insurance purposes can be completed.

We require assistance starting at 8.00 am to set up our courts with pole protectors, chairs, benches and bins. We also then need the courts swept and cleared of any water and debris to ensure that they are safe for play.

On training nights we also require the pole protectors to be put up and all the training equipment to be brought out of sheds ready for the first training to commence at 4.30 pm

### **Court Pack Up**

Everything that is put out at the start of the day needs to be subsequently packed up at the end of the day. We also need to separate out the recyclable containers for collection. This commences after the last game is played around 4.00pm.

### **General Fundraising**

Fundraising activities help the club keep our fees to a minimum and we require volunteers to coordinate these activities.

## SPONSORSHIP

As anyone that is involved in community organisations knows, it is vital to have support from local businesses and individuals to help the volunteers within clubs reach their goals. Strathalbyn Netball Club uses sponsorship to support the costs associated with running our club and maintaining our facilities.

The Strathalbyn Netball Club offers many levels of sponsorship, if you are interested in sponsoring our club please get in touch via email – [strathnetballclubsponsorship@gmail.com](mailto:strathnetballclubsponsorship@gmail.com)

The Strathalbyn Netball Club would like to thank the following sponsors, many of whom have been supporting us for a number of years. Your contribution is greatly appreciated.



## UNIFORMS AND MERCHANDISE

To ensure our players and umpires are dressed appropriately and professionally when representing the Strathalbyn Netball Club.

### REGISTERED CLUB UNIFORM

The following uniform has been registered with the Great Southern Netball Association (GSNA)

- Strathalbyn Netball Club red A line dress
- Red or black under shorts (these must be shorts, not knickers)
- Alternate short and T-shirt option is also registered and available with minimum quantity orders
- White socks with the Strathalbyn Netball Club logo or plain white socks

### RECOMMENDED STANDARDS

#### Players

All players are expected to wear the registered club uniform and adhere to the standards as below:

- A line dress should cover the shorts when hands are raised above the head
- Socks should be a minimum of ankle height and not have any markings other than the SNC logo

**!** *Note: Where a player needs to wear alternative / additional clothing such as skins, compression socks etc, for medical reasons, this will be accepted where a medical certificate is provided to the club.*

#### Umpires

Tops:

Our regular umpires will be provided with a white club umpire's shirt that should be worn when representing our club as an umpire. Where a shirt has not been provided, umpires are expected to wear a plain white shirt.

**!** *Note: Players that umpire are not to wear a white shirt over their uniforms when officiating a game. The club colours should not be visible as all umpires are required to be impartial.*

The club also provides white water proof jackets for umpire's use in inclement weather.

**!** *Note: Umpires registered in the coloured shirt program will be issued with a 'coloured' shirt to help identify them as a beginner umpire and it is a requirement that this is always worn when umpiring for the club.*





Bottoms:

All regular umpires are encouraged to wear white bottoms when representing the club and it is an expectation that umpires officiating League games wear white.















**!** *Note: GSNA do allow umpires to wear black bottoms*

Our uniform items are available for purchase from Worklocker Mt Barker online store [LINK](#)

The dress, warm up Tee and Warm Up Polo can only be ordered in a small window leading into the season.

			
Strathalbyn Netball Club Dress \$70.00 <a href="#">SOLD OUT</a>	Strathalbyn Netball Club Warm Up Tee \$42.50 <a href="#">SOLD OUT</a>	Strathalbyn Netball Club Warm Up Polo \$45.00 <a href="#">SOLD OUT</a>	Rugby jumpers are ordered directly through the club as minimum orders apply

Other items, below, can be purchased at any time.

							
Strathalbyn Netball Club Long Sleeve \$32.50 <a href="#">ADD TO CART</a>	Strathalbyn Netball Club Softshell Jacket (RED) \$78.50 <a href="#">ADD TO CART</a>	Strathalbyn Netball Club Puffa Jacket (GREY) \$100.00 <a href="#">ADD TO CART</a>	Strathalbyn Netball Club Sports Bag \$45.00 <a href="#">ADD TO CART</a>	Strathalbyn Netball Club Stone Wash Tee (WOMENS) \$37.50 <a href="#">ADD TO CART</a>	Strathalbyn Netball Club Stone Wash Tee (MENS) \$37.50 <a href="#">ADD TO CART</a>	Strathalbyn Netball Club Hoodie (GREY) \$45.00 <a href="#">ADD TO CART</a>	Strathalbyn Netball Club Hoodie (RED) \$45.00 <a href="#">ADD TO CART</a>
							
Strathalbyn Netball Club Backpack \$40.00 <a href="#">ADD TO CART</a>	Strathalbyn Netball Club Singlet \$26.50 <a href="#">ADD TO CART</a>	Strathalbyn Netball Club Quarter Zip (WOMENS) \$60.00 <a href="#">ADD TO CART</a>	Strathalbyn Netball Club Quarter Zip (UNISDX) \$60.00 <a href="#">ADD TO CART</a>	Strathalbyn Netball Club Racelback Singlet \$25.00 <a href="#">ADD TO CART</a>	Strathalbyn Netball Club Training Tank \$28.50 <a href="#">ADD TO CART</a>		

## AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

The club has 3 perpetual trophies to award and recognise member contributions

### JUNIOR CLUB PERSON

This perpetual trophy has been awarded since 2007 and is donated and awarded by our Honorary Life Member, Bev Copping. This award recognises a junior for their valued contribution volunteering around the club. This could be assisting on match days and training nights with court set up and pack up, helping coaches, assisting in the canteen or generally being there to do whatever is asked of them.

### MARLENE MEGAW SENIOR ENCOURAGEMENT AWARD

This perpetual trophy has been awarded since 1985 and is donated and awarded by our Honorary Life Member and Patron, Mrs Marlene Megaw. This trophy is awarded to a player under 21 who has played junior netball for the club and is within their first 3 consecutive years of senior netball. It acknowledges the recipient's potential, availability, value as a team player, consistency, skills, reliability, attendance

and attention at training and someone who has been supportive to their coach and the club. They are recognised for their contribution to the club through added participation as a coach, assistant coach, umpire, team manager, committee member or contributed to the club over and above being a player.


### **PRESIDENT'S AWARD**

This perpetual trophy has been awarded since 2007 and is awarded by the club President and recognises a volunteer for their outstanding service to the club.

We also have the following individual trophies that are awarded each year

### **BEST AND FAIREST**

The club's best and fairest votes are nominated each week generally by the Coach and one other person who watches the game on a point system. Two votes are awarded with the best player on court being awarded 2 points and second best 1 point.

 *Note: Votes are generally not awarded to a player that is 'filling in' from an alternate team*

These votes are counted at the end of the minor rounds and the person with the most points is awarded the Best and Fairest with the second highest score being awarded the Runner Up.

### **COACH'S AWARD**

For our junior teams each coach has the opportunity to nominate a player for their Coach's Award. This can be awarded to any player they deem deserving of this award

### **9 & UNDER AWARDS**

All players that participate in our 9 & Under competition will receive a participation award.

### **GSNA BEST AND FAIREST VOTES**

Each match the coach from both teams nominates the 2 best players on court for the match and they are awarded votes toward the GSNA Best and Fairest. Generally votes are given to a player in each team with the 2 points being awarded to the player in the winning team and the 1 point to the player in the defeated team. However, where a team wins by 20 or more goals then the winning team will generally be able to nominate 2 players and the defeated team will not have a player receive any votes.

## COMMUNICATION

We utilise several forms of communication to ensure that all members are kept informed and up to date including email, SMS and social media.

When you register via PlayHQ, you will be subscribed to our club emails or otherwise you can subscribe [here](#).

Social media is used for notifications, news and events and this may also be utilised by coaches, umpires and other groups for group messages and chats. The club has a general Facebook page [here](#) and a Member's Page with more relevant information for those involved with the club during the season [here](#). It is also useful to follow the Great Southern Netball Association Facebook page [here](#).

Each coach will use their preferred method to communicate with parents/players.

**All** correspondence, whether a general query, question about coaches, selections or teams and all grievances should be directed to in writing to [strathalbynnnetballclub@gmail.com](mailto:strathalbynnnetballclub@gmail.com)

Correspondence will then be forwarded as required and you will receive a written response.

 *Note: This is a confidential mail box accessed by the President and Vice President only.*

## GRIEVANCES AND COMPLAINTS

The Strathalbyn Netball Club Incorporation will adopt, implement and comply with the Netball Australia Member Protection Policy and its regulations and attachments -available [here](#).

Any grievance or complaint must be made in writing to the President(s) who will act as the Complaint Manager(s) of the Strathalbyn Netball Club Incorporated.

Grievances and complaints can be emailed to [strathalbynnnetballclub@gmail.com](mailto:strathalbynnnetballclub@gmail.com)

Any details of grievances or complaints shall not be posted on any form of electronic media, including but not limited to SMS and Facebook, and any complainant must refrain from allowing or urging any other person to do so.

## APPENDIX 1 – CODES OF BEHAVIOUR

### GENERAL CODE OF BEHAVIOUR

The Strathalbyn Netball Club's General Code of Behaviour is written in line with the Netball Australia National Codes of Behaviour.

As a person required to comply with this code, you must meet the following requirements with regard to your conduct during any activity held or sanctioned by the Strathalbyn Netball Club or while wearing the club uniform or merchandise in other settings.

1. Respect the rights, dignity and worth of all people involved in netball regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background or religion.
2. Be ethical, fair, considerate and honest in all dealings with others.
3. Make a commitment to providing quality service.
4. Operate within the rules and spirit of netball including national and state guidelines, constitution and policies which govern Netball Australia, Member Organisations and Affiliates.
5. Do not use your involvement with netball to promote your own beliefs, behaviours or practices where these are inconsistent with those of Netball Australia, Member Organisations or Affiliates.
6. Demonstrate a high degree of individual responsibility especially when dealing with persons under 18 years of age, as your words and actions are an example.
7. Always place the safety and welfare of children above other considerations.
8. Avoid unaccompanied and unobserved activities with persons under 18 years of age, wherever possible.
9. Comply with all relevant Australian laws (Federal and State), particularly anti-discrimination, occupational health and safety and child protection laws
10. Refrain from any behaviour that may bring Netball Australia, Member Organisations or Affiliates into disrepute.
11. Provide a safe environment for the conduct of the activity.
12. Show concern and caution towards others who may be sick or injured.
13. Be a positive role model.
14. Be responsible and accountable for your conduct.
15. Abide by the relevant Strathalbyn Netball Club role-specific codes of behaviour and understand the consequences if you breach, or are aware of any breaches of this Code of Behaviour.



## **COMMITTEE MEMBER CODE OF BEHAVIOUR**

The Strathalbyn Netball Club's Committee Member Code of Behaviour is written in line with the Netball Australia National Codes of Behaviour.

In addition to the Strathalbyn Netball Club, Great Southern Netball Association, Netball SA and Netball Australia's General Code of Behaviour, our committee members must meet the following requirements with regard to their conduct in their role as a committee member:

1. Be fair, considerate and honest in all dealings with others.
2. Be professional in, and accept responsibility for your actions. Your language, presentation, manners and punctuality should reflect high standards.
3. Resolve conflicts fairly and promptly through established procedures.
4. Maintain strict impartiality.
5. Be aware of and comply with your legal responsibilities, including under anti-discrimination, child protection and occupational health and safety legislation.
6. Develop a positive netball environment by emphasising enjoyment and by providing appropriate development and competitive experiences.
7. Involve all relevant stakeholders (players, coaches, umpires, parents) in the planning, evaluation, leadership and decision-making related to netball programs and events.
8. Ensure activities, equipment and facilities are safe and appropriate to the ability level of participating players. Activities, rules, equipment, length of games and training schedules should take into consideration the age, ability and maturity level of the participants.
9. Ensure that everyone (administrators, coaches, players, umpires, parents, spectators, and sponsors) emphasise fair play in netball activities and games.
10. Where appropriate, distribute the National Codes of Behaviour to coaches, players, umpires, parents, spectators and the media.

## **PLAYER CODE OF BEHAVIOUR**

The Strathalbyn Netball Club's Player Code of Behaviour is written in line with the Netball Australia National Codes of Behaviour.

In addition to the Strathalbyn Netball Club, Great Southern Netball Association, Netball SA and Netball Australia's General Code of Behaviour, our players must meet the following requirements with regard to their conduct in their role as a player

1. Respect the rights, dignity and worth of fellow players, coaches, officials and spectators.
2. Refrain from conduct which could be regarded as sexual harassment, discrimination, bullying or victimisation.
3. Respect the talent, potential and development of fellow players and competitors.
4. Participate fairly and safely.
5. Be frank and honest with your coach concerning illness and injury and your ability to train and play fully.
6. Conduct yourself in a responsible manner relating to language, temper and punctuality.
7. Abide by the rules and respect the decision of the umpires. Be courteous and use the correct process when seeking a rule clarification.
8. Be honest in your attitude and preparation to training. Work equally hard for yourself and your team.
9. Co-operate with coaches and staff in relation to programs that adequately prepare you for competition.
10. Do not engage in practices that affect sporting performance (alcohol, tobacco and drug use).
11. Applaud all good play, by your own team and opponents.
12. Respect and acknowledge the contribution of those who create the opportunity for you to play (e.g. scorers, coaches, timekeepers, administrators and umpires).
13. Remember when in uniform and on or off the court that you are representing the Strathalbyn Netball Club, and your behaviour should always be appropriate and professional.

## COACH CODE OF BEHAVIOUR

The Strathalbyn Netball Club's Coach Code of Behaviour is written in line with the Netball Australia National Codes of Behaviour.

In addition to the Strathalbyn Netball Club, Great Southern Netball Association, Netball SA and Netball Australia's General Code of Behaviour, our coaches must meet the following requirements with regard to their conduct in their role as a coach.

1. Operate within the rules and spirit of netball, promoting fair play.
2. Develop a positive netball environment by emphasising enjoyment and by providing appropriate development and competitive experiences.
3. Support opportunities for participation in all aspects of the sport.
4. Treat each person as an individual. Respect the rights and worth of every person regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background or religion.
5. Display control, courtesy and respect to all involved with netball.
6. Respect the decisions of umpires, officials, other coaches and administrators in the conduct of netball programs and competitions.
7. Wherever practical, avoid unaccompanied and unobserved one-on-one activity (when in a supervisory capacity or where a power imbalance will exist) with people under the age of 18 years.
8. Ensure activities, equipment and facilities are safe and appropriate to the ability level of participating players. Activities, rules, equipment, length of games and training schedules should take into consideration the age, ability and maturity level of the participants.
9. Act with integrity and objectivity, and accept responsibility for your decisions and actions.
10. Ensure your decisions and actions contribute to a safe environment. Place the safety and welfare of the players above all else.
11. Ensure your decisions and actions contribute to an environment free of sexual harassment, bullying, discrimination or victimisation.
12. Any physical contact with player should be appropriate to the situation and necessary for the player's skill development.
13. Adopt responsible behaviour in relation to alcohol and other drugs.
14. Be honest and do not allow your qualifications/accreditation to be misrepresented
15. Remember that you are representing the Strathalbyn Netball Club and your behaviour should always be appropriate and professional.

## UMPIRE CODE OF BEHAVIOUR

The Strathalbyn Netball Club's umpire code of behaviour is written in line with the Netball Australia National Codes of Behaviour.

In addition to the Strathalbyn Netball Club, Great Southern Netball Association, Netball SA and Netball Australia's General Code of Behaviour, our umpires must meet the following requirements with regard to their conduct in their role as an umpire:

1. Umpire in accordance with the Official Rules of the Game.
2. Treat all players, coaches, bench officials and other umpires with respect.
3. Place the safety and welfare of the players above all else, including by:
  - Ensuring the court and its surrounds are compliant with the rules.
  - Taking appropriate action to manage dangerous play.
4. Maintain a high standard of personal behaviour at all times.
5. Be a positive role model through behaviour and personal appearance projecting a favourable image of netball and umpiring at all times.
6. Refrain from conduct which could be regarded as sexual harassment, discrimination, bullying or victimisation.
7. Be courteous, respectful and open to discussion and interaction with other netball participants.
8. Maintain or improve your current performance level and seek continual improvement.
9. Be honest and do not allow your qualifications/accreditation to be misrepresented.
10. Remember you're umpiring should be impartial and you are representing the Strathalbyn Netball Club therefore your behaviour should always be appropriate and professional.

## **PARENT AND GUARDIAN CODE OF BEHAVIOUR**

The Strathalbyn Netball Club's Parent/Guardian Code of Behaviour is written in line with the Netball Australia National Codes of Behaviour.

In addition to the Strathalbyn Netball Club, Great Southern Netball Association, Netball SA and Netball Australia's General Code of Behaviour, our parents and guardians must meet the following requirements with regard to their conduct in their role as a parent or guardian

1. Encourage your child to participate but do not force them.
2. Focus upon your child's efforts and performance rather than the overall outcome of the game. This assists your child in setting realistic goals related to his/ her ability by reducing the emphasis on winning.
3. Teach your child that an honest effort is as important as winning, so that the result of each game is accepted without undue disappointment.
4. Encourage your child to play always according to the rules.
5. Be a model of good sports behaviour for children to copy. Applaud good play by all players.
6. Never ridicule or yell at a child for making a mistake or losing a game.
7. If you disagree with an umpire or coach raise the issue with the club rather than question their judgement and honesty in public.
8. Refrain from conduct which could be regarded as sexual harassment, discrimination, bullying or victimisation.
9. Recognise and respect the value and importance of volunteer administrators, coaches and umpires. They give up their time and resources to provide recreational activities for players and deserve your support.
10. Be courteous in communication with administrators, coaches, players and umpires. Teach your child to do the same.
11. Support the use of age appropriate development activities and modified rules.

## **SPECTATOR CODE OF BEHAVIOUR**

The Strathalbyn Netball Club's Spectator Code of Behaviour is written in line with the Netball Australia National Codes of Behaviour.

In addition to the Strathalbyn Netball Club, Great Southern Netball Association, Netball SA and Netball Australia's General Code of Behaviour, our spectators and supporters must meet the following requirements with regard to their conduct in their role as a spectator and supporter:

1. Remember that most players (in particular children) participate in netball activities for fun. They are not participating for entertainment of spectators only.
2. Applaud good performance and efforts by all players. When watching a game congratulate both teams on their performance regardless of the game's outcome.
3. Respect the decision of the umpires. Encourage players to play according to the rules and the official decisions, and develop your own knowledge of the rules.
4. Never ridicule or abuse a player for making a mistake during a competition.
5. Refrain from conduct which could be regarded as sexual harassment, discrimination, bullying or victimisation.
6. Do not use foul language, sledge or harass administrators, coaches, players, umpires or other spectators.
7. Condemn the use of violence in any form, be it by administrators, coaches, players, umpires or other spectators.

Support the use of age-appropriate development activities and modified rules.