



AFL Barwon Junior Netball Representative Coach – 2026 Program

BELLARINE FNL & GEELONG FNL REPRESENTATIVE PROGRAM

The Bellarine and Geelong Representative Programs are an opportunity for athletes, coaches and umpires within these competitions to compete at a higher level and provide an opportunity for skills development and talent identification.

BARWON JUNIOR NETBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS (CHAMP TEAMS ONLY)

The Barwon Junior Netball Championships will provide valuable experience for junior netballers, offering a chance to compete against the best players in the region in their respective age division. This competition recognizes the importance of investing in the development of young players, as well as coaches, umpires and officials. This is the first step into the netball pathway with a focus on identifying players with potential and developing their skills in a competitive, regional competition. It will be a weekly competition open to league and association representative teams only.

GCNA MONDAY NIGHT JUNIOR COMPETITION (DEVELOPMENT TEAMS ONLY)

Development teams will be entered into the GCNA Monday Night Junior Competition. This competition runs through Semester 1 of 2026 and is held at Kardinia Park netball courts. The junior competition is an open aged junior competition with grading rounds at the beginning of the season.

ASSOCIATION CHAMPIONSHIPS

The Association Championships are a day tournament where Leagues and Associations across a region compete to make it through to a finals day to be crowned the Association Champions for that age group. Associations Championships is an integral part of the netball pathway in Victoria for players, coaches and officials. The competition provides an opportunity for talent identification for athletes as they continue to develop their skills and play to a high standard.

All teams and coaches are expected to be available to compete in this tournament.

POSITION DESCRIPTION

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| POSITION TITLE | Junior Netball Representative Coach – 2026 Program |
| REPORTS TO | Netball Coordinator |
| DEPARTMENT | Netball Operations |

| Our Purpose |
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| AFL Barwon is here to support the passion of our stakeholders, through responsible governance and professional leadership, to deliver a thriving competition and sporting community. |

| Our Values | People and Culture Objective |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Transparent & Fair • Accessible & Inclusive • Collaborative • Strong & Courageous • Progressive & Proactive | Attract, develop and retain quality people and develop a high-performance culture in line with AFL Barwon's key objectives and values |

| Overview of Role |
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| <p>This role has mandatory attendance at the following events:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Training: coaches are to prepare and execute weekly training sessions to prepare players for upcoming competition/tournaments. 2. Barwon Junior Netball Championships (Champ teams): weekly competition held on Monday nights between February-May 2026 Teams will play against other association or league representative teams in the region. 3. GCNA Monday Night Competition (Development teams): weekly competition held on Monday nights between February-June 2026 (Semester 1). Played at Kardinia Park netball courts. This is a graded open aged junior competition. 4. Central West Association Championships (Qualifying Day): day tournament held on a Sunday in May or June. Teams will compete to qualify for finals day. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Central West 13's: a Sunday in June held at State Netball Centre b. Central West 15's and 17's a Sunday in May/June at Darebin Netball Association 5. Association Championships Finals Day (if successful): day tournament. Teams will compete to be crowned Champions of the region. This tournament is held at the State Netball Centre in Parkville on a Sunday in June. |

Junior Netball Representative Coach

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| Responsible To: | Head of Netball |
| Reporting To: | Netball Coordinator |
| Direct Reports: | N/A |
| Other Key Relationships: | Players & parents, representative coaches, Netball Victoria, AFL Barwon staff and more. |

KEY ROLES & RESPONSIBILITIES:

The position includes, but is not limited to, the following duties. In many cases, a duty will necessitate consultation with the Netball Coordinator and Head of Netball.

| General Objectives | |
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| 1. | Participate as a member of the team selection panel for the alternate league to which you are appointed (coaches will not be involved in the selection of their own team). |
| 2. | Adhere to all league policies and guidelines (including Netball Vic and Netball Australia code of conducts). |
| 3. | Develop the team training program including skills development sessions, in line with player workloads and availability. |
| 4. | Provide coaching instruction to team members in the areas of technique, specialist positional skills and team skills. |
| 5. | Identify and maximise underlying potential to deliver long term growth in individual athletes. |
| 6. | Evaluate and assess individual and team performance, ensuring individuals are appropriately challenged, and provided with constructive feedback. |
| 7. | Take appropriate action to ensure that underperformance is effectively dealt with. |
| 8. | Develop, implement, and adapt match play strategies. |
| 9. | Work with athletes' strengths and develop on their areas of opportunity. |
| 10. | Current Working with Children's Check required. |
| 11. | Hold a minimum DEVELOPMENT Level coaching accreditation or be willing to obtain (as required by Netball Victoria). |

| Key Dates |
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| Barwon Junior Netball Championships/GCNA Junior Competition |
| Weekly competitions on a Monday night Oberon High School Starts February 2026-May 2026 |
| Central West Association Championships (Qualifying Day) |
| One day tournament on a Sunday in May or June. Central West 13&U at State Netball Centre Central West 15&U and 17&U at Darebin Netball Association |
| Association Championships Finals Day (if team successful) |
| One day tournament on a Sunday in June. Held at State Netball Centre, Parkville |

| Conditions of Employment |
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| Remuneration |
| All coaches will receive an honorarium payment at the conclusion of the program. |
| Hours of Employment |
| Training and Weekly Competition: Monday and Wednesday nights Tournament: Central West Qualifying Day/Finals Day (pending success at qualifying day) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Teams are welcome to participate in other tournaments if they wish, however this is at the cost and organisation of the team. |