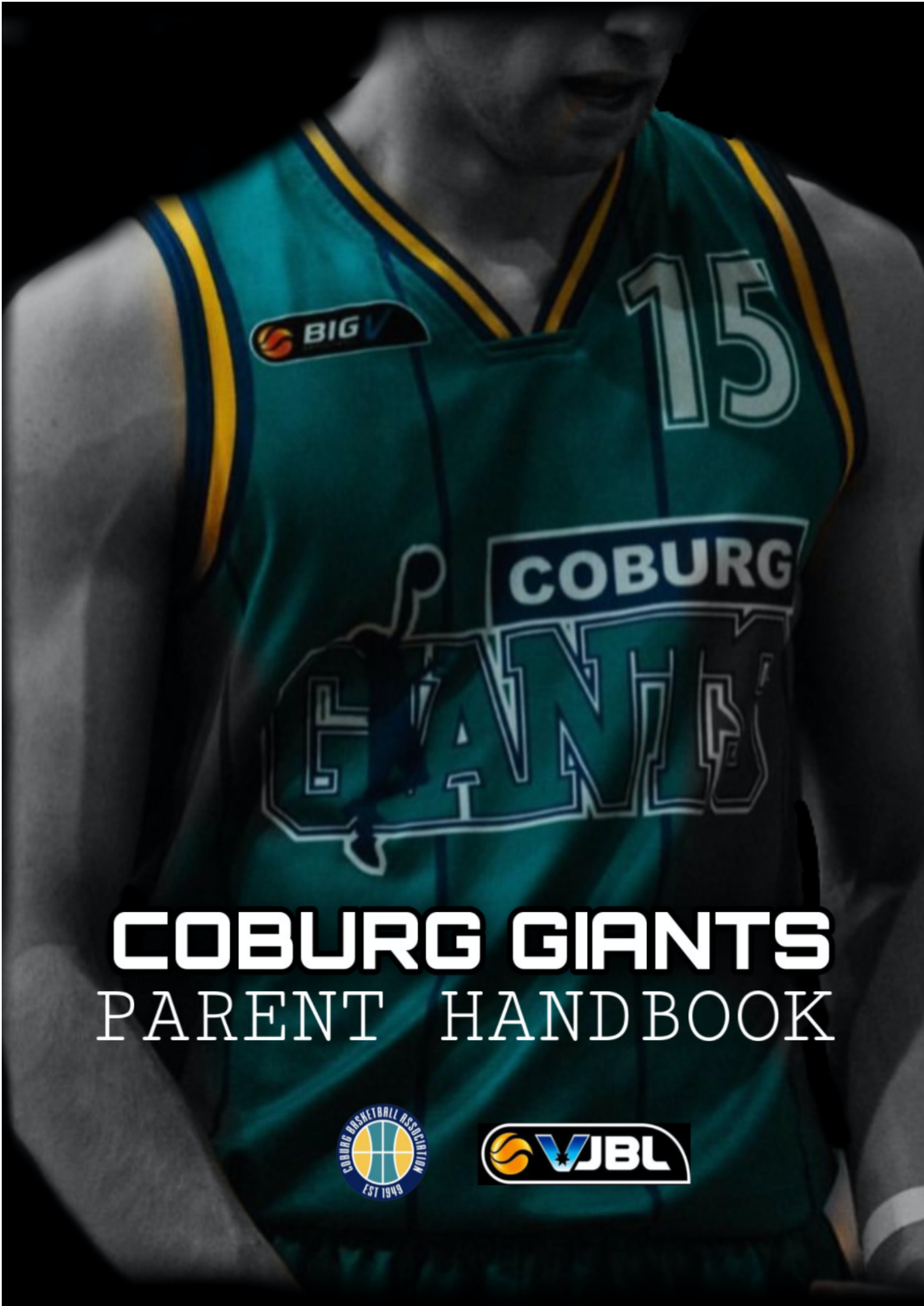

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PARENT HANDBOOK

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Welcome to Coburg Giants

This booklet is designed to provide the parents of players selected to play with the Coburg Giants, the Representative Teams of the Coburg Basketball Association an overall view of the program.

The Victorian Junior Basketball League (VJBL) in which Coburg Giants play is not a domestic grade competition; it is an **elite** level of basketball featuring the best and/or promising players in the state. It should be noted those pathways to play in national competition i.e. NBL, WNBL, BIG V and Victorian Youth Championship usually goes through a Representative Program such as that run by Coburg Giants. The purpose of the **Representative Program** is to develop teams, coaches and individual athletes to the maximum level of **their** ability. The program is designed for those who are **committed** to achieve and who are prepared to work hard and make **sacrifices** to stretch their ability. The Coburg Giants home courts are located at Coburg Basketball Stadium. The Coburg Giants currently fields around 32 junior teams. In addition it fields Senior teams in the BIG V and Youth Championship competitions.

The Managing Committee of the **Coburg Basketball Association Inc.** (CBA) is responsible for ensuring that the policies, procedures and guidelines of the Association are documented, published and implemented within a responsible, sustainable framework and that the Association has adequate resources to carry out its work.

Coburg Giants Vision

The Coburg Giants will strive to be a basketball organization in which the best players, coaches and administrators all combine to make the Coburg Giants

- Successful in State and National competitions
- A pathway to future basketball opportunities (E.g. State/National)
- Popular and well supported by the local community
- Respected by peers in the basketball community

Our Values

Our ambition is to become the top association of choice in Melbourne's inner north, Coburg basketball strives to not only develop great basketball players, but good people. We want to continue to instil strong values to our athletes that last beyond their playing days and into their adult life. Coburg Basketball Association strives to not only develop great basketball players but also valuable contributors to society. Our values are integral to our club culture, and demonstrate who we are and what we want to become!

Through routine team & individual practices, players & coaches can strive to be the best they can be. Though Giants is a highly competitive basketball program, the focal point is development & education to optimize individual and team excellence. This is achieved through the club system & style of play which leads to winning & championships.

Giants Player Attributes

TEAMWORK

Coburg players are 'team first' players and they continue to sacrifice their game for the benefit of the team, on both ends of the floor. Coburg teams are loud on the bench, encourage and communicate positively and are prepared to **bleed teal!**

Unity is Strength… when there is teamwork and collaboration wonderful things can be achieved!

COMMITMENT

Coburg players are committed to their team and our club, they make representative basketball a priority and take it seriously. Coburg players attend all practices, games, always arrive on time and wear their uniform with pride!

Without commitment, nothing happens!

HARD WORK

Coburg players understand the importance of hard work. We work hard at practice and we continually strive to make ourselves and our teammates better! Coburg players are accountable for their own development and are always looking for ways to improve their games outside of team commitments.

Everything you want is on the opposite side of hard!

RESILIENCE

Coburg players are mentally tough and are able to bounce back from setbacks. When things do not go their way, they stick together with their teammates, take accountability and continually strive to find ways to develop and improve.

Success is not final. Failure is not fatal. It is the courage to continue that counts!

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Social Media

Facebook & **Instagram**

Selection Policy & Procedures

Our selection policy and procedure can be found here

Booklet Information

The booklet details information regarding participation in Representative Basketball at Coburg, what it can do for your child. It also highlights how you can assist in providing the best opportunities for your child. It covers areas such as:

- Organisation
- Philosophy
- Matches
- Grades and Seasons
- Uniforms
- Results
- Costs

It also provides an outline of things you might wish to know about Coburg Giants Junior Representative Basketball but is by no means exhaustive.

Please read this booklet and discuss any concerns you may have with the Directors of Coburg or the VJBL Delegate before registering your child with the Coburg Giants. **Players can be moved from one team to another after Grading Phase is completed.**

Organisation

The Coaching Coordinators and VJBL Administrator are responsible for the day to day running of the Representative Teams on behalf of Coburg Basketball.

Of particular importance to you are: The Head Coach and Team Manager of your child's team. The Coach works with your child during practice sessions and games and will work diligently to develop your child's basketball. Any basketball concerns you may have can be politely discussed with the coaching coordinators as soon as they arise **after first referencing the concerns with your child's coach.**

Playing Philosophy of the Coburg Giants

TOUGH - Coburg teams will be extremely difficult to play against
SMART - They have a understanding of how to play the game
TOGETHER - Understand the importance of the total team concepts

The keys to achieving these objectives are persistence, relentless and good organised preparation through training design and curriculum documentation. Our teams will be taught a style of play within the Victorian and Basketball Australia concepts. The base defence will be a full court pressure man-to-man. Any zone press needs to be built around our man-to-man principles and used as an alternate disruptive defence.

Representative basketball is about **elite** and **peak** performance. It is expected that players at Coburg Giants will play to the limits of their ability and will constantly strive to learn and improve. Every player involved in the program should want to reach the highest potential they can possibly be. To achieve this, every player should put in additional practice in all facets of the game as well as attend basketball camps and clinics.

Coburg Giants representative players must endeavour to improve at a rate expected of them by their head coach and coaching coordinators to hold their place in the team. Other levels of basketball (hoop time, domestic etc.) emphasise participation and the social aspect rather than performance. If these values are more important to you, you should reconsider allowing your child to become involved in representative basketball. The expectation for Coburg Giants players is to continue with the junior domestic competition. This is to improve competition and to enhance the athlete's skill level.

Offensive Style of Play

PACE AND SPACE

We prioritise playing fast and with great spacing, we encourage teams to spend time teaching their players how to run a fast break effectively and how to space the floor to create driving lanes. Playing with great speed and spacing stretches the defence and opens up a much higher percentage of scoring opportunities.

0.5s DECISION MAKING

In our Coburg offensive style the ball does not stick. We do not hesitate when making decisions and allow the defence to reset. We make sure to attack closeouts, shoot open shots and make on time passes!

BALL AND PLAYER MOVEMENT

In our half court we want our offences to emphasise player and ball movement. This means players cutting hard and screening with purpose. The ball moves through multiple sets of hands quickly and sharply. A team that shares the ball is incredibly hard for a defence to contain!

READ AND REACT

We do not want our players to be robots on offence, Coburg players understand when and how to make the correct reads. Whether that is backdoor cutting on a defender who is overplaying, setting a perfect screen to get someone open, or attacking closeouts. At Coburg we teach players how to play, rather than plays.

PUSH THE BALL

We want to push the ball at all costs, creating 2 v 1s and 3 v 2s on the break. This allows us to score heavily and play an exciting brand of basketball that rewards players who run hard! Pushing the ball at all costs allows us opportunities to score heavily against an unsettled defence and can help create scoreboard pressure!

Defensive Style of Play

PRESSURE

In the full court we do not want our opposition to be comfortable bringing the ball up the floor, continuing to build pressure and forcing over dribbling and risky passes. This extends to the half court, where we trust in our help defence, to be able to continually harass the opposition ball handler. But the ultimate goal is to be able to contain your player.

HALF COURT - HELP & RECOVER

In the half court, we want to play a team defence. Ensuring that the help never gets beaten and we scramble and close out to contest every single shot. The best help is not needing to help (contain your player).

GREAT COMMUNICATORS

An identifiable asset of Coburg athletes is great communication on defence. Communication allows for the defensive system to work as one, stops breakdowns and continues to intimate the opposition.

HUSTLE & LOOSE BALLS

Coburg has always been an organisation punching above its weight in terms of height. However our mantra is that we win every 50/50 ball. We continue to make multiple defensive plays and efforts, dive on loose balls and put our body on the line for the betterment of the team.

PLAY WITHOUT FOULING

Although we want to play a physical brand, we want to do our best to keep out of foul trouble. Coburg players have elite footwork to stay in front of their players. They also stay disciplined on defence, forcing opposition players into making tough finishes over hands and not reaching!

Games

Representative Teams play weekly according to fixtures arranged by the Victorian Junior Basketball League (VJBL), which is affiliated with Basketball Victoria. Home games are played at Coburg Stadium, away games are played at other venues throughout the total metropolitan area on Friday nights. Some away games can be played in such places as Geelong, Bendigo, Ballarat, Shepparton, Latrobe and other venues depending on which teams qualify for the competition.

Parents are provided with fixtures (by the team manager) and are required to have their child at the venue at least 30 minutes prior to the game time or by the Coach's required time to ensure they have a proper warm up and briefing sessions by the Coach. If you have difficulty getting to venues, make alternative arrangements for your child through your Team Manager.

Junior Grades and Seasons

The Coburg Giants fields both boys and girls teams in the Victorian Junior Championship League, Victorian Junior League and where appropriate the VJBL regional divisions.

The MUVJBL Competition is split into 3 seasons:

- Spring Phase – Run October to November and is used for team tryouts and practice games.
- Grading Seasons – Runs November to Mid-March
- Championship Season – Runs March to September

Initial grading is nominated by the coaching coordinators/program coaches. Teams can either retain their grade or move to another grade depending upon their performances. Age grading is determined by the players age as at the **31 December**. In any grade a range of ages, but they are roughly cast as 'Top Age' or "Bottom Age'. Players will usually spend two years at each age level, first as a bottom age player, then as a top age player. Each team usually consists of 10 players. U18s & U21s can have 11 players due to VCE commitments.

Court Time

The amount of court time is based on our Core Values **Effort, Skill, Knowledge, Coachability, Attendance and Commitment.** Also taken into account is according to the team needs, individual performances, strategies, Player Code of Conduct & tactics employed by the Coach and the Coaching Coordinators. Due to the nature of Representative Basketball, players cannot be guaranteed equal court time. However, parents concerned with their child's role on the team should arrange a suitable time to discuss the matter **(politely)** with their Coach. **This is to be done at an arranged time before or after training & NOT straight after the game. Approaching a coach after a game will not be tolerated.**

Practice Sessions

All 1's teams will have a team training twice a week, whilst all other teams will have one team training a week. All teams will have an age group skills session on Sunday mornings at Coburg Stadium. Players are to arrive 15 minutes before their scheduled practice time to stretch and be mentally prepared for rigorous and challenging practice sessions. They should be dressed in the Coburg Giants reversible practice singlet.

Players who do not train on the court in the mid-week sessions or show up late or leave early no matter the excuse will not start the game on Friday. They cannot be subbed in until after the 5 minute mark of the 1st quarter. Coaches reserve the right to not play players at all who do not practice both sessions or consistently miss trainings no matter the excuse. Players who arrive late or leave trainings early on a consistent basis, the coach has the right to reduce their court time.

We do our best to arrange trainings that suit the COACH first and players second.

You are making a commitment to the club to play representative BASKETBALL and this comes with certain responsibilities to your Club &

Team & Coach. We support players playing other sports. Athletes are required to attend all training sessions.

PLAYER PATHWAY

BASKETBALL VICTORIA
PLAYER PATHWAY
NATIONAL TEAM SELECTION
Boomers, Opals, Rollers, Gliders, U25 Men & Women Wheelchairs, Emus, Comp, Crocs, Sapphires, Boomerangs, Pirates, Universities Men & Women
Professional Leagues
NBL, WNBL
Semi-professional
NBL1, BIG V
US Collegiate Leagues
NCAA / NAIA / NJCAA
STATE TEAM SELECTION
U16, U18, U20, Inter Ranges, PCC
STATE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM (SDP)
U14-U18
SOUTHERN CROSS CHALLENGE (SCC)
U14-U15
VJBL / JCC
U12-U21 Competitions
DOMESTIC BASKETBALL
HOOP TIME & SCHOOL BASKETBALL
AUSSIE HOOPS
SPORTING SCHOOLS PROGRAM
VICTORIA COUNTRY DEVELOPMENT
SDP SELECTION CAMPS
U16-U18
AUSTRALIAN COUNTRY JUNIOR BASKETBALL CUP (ACJBC) U14, U16, U18
GOLD NUGGET CAMP
U14
REGIONAL ACADEMY
U14
SKILLS DAYS
U14
BVC JAMBOREE
U12
SKILLS DAYS
U12
VICTORIA METRO DEVELOPMENT
SDP SELECTION CAMPS
U16-U18
EAST COAST CHALLENGE (ECC) U16-U18
SCC & ECC SELECTION CAMPS U13-U16
FUTURE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM (FDP) U14
SKILLS DAYS
U14
METRO JAMBOREE
U12
SKILLS DAYS
U12

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www.vjbl.com.au **www.basketballvictoria.com.au**

Updated fixtures, venue listings, calendar, VJL parent handbook, timing rules and other information can be found at the VJL website by browsing through 'information' then 'competitions'.

PURPOSE/POLICY

Players participating in any basketball competition conducted by CBA or players participating in any team(s) representing CBA, including but not limited to Coburg Giants,

are liable to pay annual fees to the Association. The fees cover registration, insurance and training fees for the specified championship season.
Fees are payable to the Association by each player representing CBA/Coburg Giants. Players would normally participate in both the tryouts and grading to be eligible to play in the championship rounds. Fees are set by the CBA Committee prior to the commencement of each season.

FEES

$600 for the 2022-2023 Season.

1. Fees must be paid in full by Round 1 of the championship season or 28th February, whichever date falls first.
2. CBA offers a 2 part payment –
    i. Instalment 1 – 50% - $300 to be paid at registration via PlayHQ
    ii. Instalment 2 – 50% to be paid by 28th February.
    iii. Family discounts are available and are advised on an annual basis.
3. Where fees are not paid by the due date, an administrative fee will be incurred.
4. Should fees for a player be outstanding after 28th February, that player will be deemed nonfinancial and be ineligible to play or train with the team until all outstanding monies have been paid. Nonfinancial players will not be able to take the court until all fees have been paid.
5. Team Manager and Team Coach have authority to contact their nonfinancial player/parent, carer, guardian on advice from CBA Executive during the week, not on game day.
6. Refunds will only be considered in exceptional circumstances when fees have already been paid in full. Written applications with specific reasons for a refund must be submitted to the CBA's Executive Committee via Team Manager for consideration.

    Maximum refunds are as per the guidelines below:

    Refund during tryouts 80%
    Refunds during Grading 50%
    Refunds during championship season - not more that 20%
    (Dependent upon circumstances)
7. Players may apply for sponsorship either individually or as a team. *See separate procedure.*
8. Where fee payment in full has not been received by 28th February, CBA reserves the right to engage the services of its Debt Collector/s to recover any overdue monies, including administrative and other associated costs.

CLEARANCES

If athletes wish to move from one association to another, they must first obtain a permission to train form and then a clearance. Clearances can be processed on **PlayHQ** via transfer tab
A fee of **$22** must accompany the application form. Athletes must lodge the clearance forms into the **Victorian Junior League Office**. Clearances, once processed, can be viewed on the VJBL site.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

By accepting a position on a team, you automatically accept the conditions of this handbook.

TEAMS

Coburg Junior Giants have approximately 32 teams spanning from Under 12's to Under 20's. Team numbers and structure at each age group may vary from year to year depending on athlete numbers, standard and the availability of quality coaches.

All athletes are required to participate in a selection process each year and selection and team placement are **NOT GUARANTEED**. Consequently, all athletes must strive to improve their skills and display an attitude which demonstrates their desire to listen and learn.

Unlike Junior Domestic, teams in the Coburg Junior Giants program may have up to 10 athletes for the Under 12 to Under 16 age groups and up to 12 athletes for the Under 18 and Under 20 age groups. Team selections are made to provide a balance of athlete position, age and ability. Usually higher ranked teams will consist of more top age athletes and lower ranked teams will have a greater number of younger age athletes.

We appreciate that active athletes may play multiple sports, if this is the case; mutual agreement must be made between sports. **Coburg Junior Giants** expects its members **will not** consider basketball to be the secondary activity.

ATHLETE and FAMILY COMMITMENTS

Representative basketball is only for athletes (and their families) with a serious intention to achieve and to contribute to team performance even when this involves some sacrifices to the individual. It is not for athletes wishing to necessarily play with other athletes of their choice or a specific team or coach.

It takes a lot of commitment and dedication from the athletes as they strive to improve their basketball skills week after week, but it also requires commitment and dedication from their parents/ carers or guardians.

Whilst we require a large commitment by athletes and parents/carers or guardians alike, we believe basketball offers many rewards. Many strong friendships can be forged during the years that athletes are involved with Coburg Giants. We would encourage you to become involved with your child/ren getting to know their team mates and other parents, carers and guardians. Enjoy your basketball and celebrate as a team, embracing the positive aspects that will come from the experience.

TOURNAMENTS

All teams are expecting to participate in the Eltham/Dandenong Australia Day Tournament during Australia Day weekend; this is the only tournament in which **Coburg Basketball Association will cover $100 per team registration.**

Other optional tournaments:
Southern Peninsula Preseason Tournament
Mill Park, Adelaide or New Zealand Easter Tournaments
Nunawading Queens Birthday Tournament
July Melbourne Tournament
Coburg Under10 Tournament

Each team will have to organise themselves to participate in these tournaments.

COACHES

Our Coaching Staff are made up of committed individuals who dedicate their time and energy to see our athletes improve and develop both on and off the court. Our coaches give up their valuable time and knowledge to educate and teach the athletes. We would ask that you support them throughout the season because whilst styles may change from coach to coach - coaches all aim for the same result - **TO IMPROVE THE ATHLETES SKILLS.**

Coburg Basketball Association (CBA) provides ongoing assistance for any members of the community that would like to improve their understanding of the game and/or coaching standard. We run many coaching clinics to help further develop the career path of all our coaches.

All coaches within the competitions are currently screened under the Basketball Victoria By-Laws and have a current Working with Children's Card.

TEAM MANAGERS

Each team requires a Team Manager (TM) for the season. The TM is appointed by the coach once the composition of the team has been determined.
ALL TEAM MANAGERS ARE REQUIRED TO CARRY A CURRENT WORKING WITH CHILDREN'S CARD.

The role of TM is to liaise with players parents
Oversee the **team kitty** and collect money for game day costs.
The TM is also in charge of organising **scorers** for the games.
TM needs to **check fixtures** on a regular basis for any game changes.
TM is required to approach the venue supervisor if their coach requests clarity regarding a referee's actions on court or any disputes during the game.
TM/ Coach and Assistant Coach/s **must sign in** on entry to the venue they are playing at. This is a requirement of the VJBL. FINES may APPLY

Team Pay & Kitty

Each team must be self-supporting, and your TM is responsible for collecting and managing the income of the team throughout the season. Scoresheets are paid weekly via TEAM PAY only, and ALL families must sign up and pay via TEAM PAY. Only players injured/sick or away DO not pay for the game as they do not take the court.
Moneys left over from a week can be used to help towards scoresheet payments when short of players due to injury/sick or away
TM is not to pay out of pocket to cover costs of the team. EVERY Player on the night MUST pay for their position on the team.

Communication

The **first point of contact** for any information to do with your team is your **Team Manager**. However, in saying that, if you wish to discuss an issue with your Coach you should make a time to speak with him/her at a non-stressful time, **NOT DIRECTLY BEFORE OR AFTER A GAME!**

The **CBA's Coaching Coordinators** are also available to discuss any concerns you may have as players, parents, carers, guardians and or coaching staff

For any issues not resolved by CBA's Coaching Coordinators, *in a timely manner****, please email CBA's Secretary at:*** ***contact@coburgbasketball.org.au***

Electronic Scoring

Please ensure that you follow all instructions when signing off the Electronic scoring at the end of the night. **Home Team** (team A) is responsible for scorebox (buttons) and **away team** (team B) is responsible for electronic scoring. You must write down all results from the completed games section and before ending your session, you must make sure that games have uploaded (when connected to Wi-Fi) and have a tick next to the game. Please refer to **Basketball Victoria https://basketballvictoria.com.au/electronic-scoring/**

Scoring is an **important duty**, and we are obligated to supply a competent bench official for each game.
It is a requirement of every team to supply a competent scorer throughout the season to complete their rostered scoring duties.

Alternatively, you can partner up with a parent from your team who is a confident scorer to provide you with some support. Not knowing how to or not feeling confident is not an acceptable reason to not score for the team. It's always best to have two parents scoring - so the parent that has the knowledge to score can assist the parent that is still learning.

If you cannot score your rostered game, you must **advise the team manager** as soon as possible so that a swap can be arranged.

Referees/Officials

The referees are an important part of the game and, while we may not like their decisions at times, verbal or other abuse of referees/officials is unacceptable behaviour and sets a bad example to the players and supporters. Athletes at all levels are expected to conduct themselves in a manner which does not bring discredit to themselves, their parents, carers, guardians or their team.

Age Rules

One of the most frequently asked questions is around “Age” groupings.
Junior Representative Basketball Age Groups are:

- Under 12: eligible athletes must NOT have turned 12 as at 31.12.2023
- Under 14: eligible athletes must NOT have turned 14 as at 31.12.2023
- Under 16: eligible athletes must NOT have turned 16 as at 31.12.2023
- Under 18: eligible athletes must NOT have turned 18 as at 31.12.2023
- Under 21: eligible athletes must NOT have turned 20 as at 31.12.2023

This is quite often a shock to parents who are concerned that their child may be coming up against much older athletes. All junior athletes will normally spend two years in each of the age groups. The age group classification for all athletes is no different to domestic basketball, where there are also top and bottom age athletes playing in the age groups.

Game Day

Full Coburg Junior Giants uniform must be worn. Arrive and exit stadium in approved navy polo shirt. Change into warm up top before game commencement (20 minute warm up pre- game)

Failure to comply with uniform policy will result in game time penalties. (CBA directive)

JERSEY MUST BE TUCKED IN. Arrive early and wait with your team. Behave accordingly; you're a reflection of the Coburg Giants. Parents, carers, guardians and athletes must respect referees/officials, opposition teams and venues at all times.

Venue pricing varies:
Venues will be charging a LUMP SUM of $125 (door fee incorporated with entry fees). CBA suggests **TM** collect $15 per player for game. Teams that progress into VC, the lump sum fee is $150 (door fee incorporated with entry fees) ANY surplus funds carried forward to be used for tournaments or team functions, including the end of season presentation night.

Uniform Policy

All new athletes to Coburg Giants and existing players requiring a uniform may order directly via our preferred basketball outlet supplier.
Cut-off date for uniform order and information regarding this, will be emailed to you after team selection

New Coburg Junior Giants, team uniform kit cost is an additional **$250** which includes a training top, playing uniform, warm up top and navy polo shirt. Hoodies are also available at an additional charge.

For athletes

Game day:	Playing uniform, navy warm up top, navy polo shirt
Training:	Teal and gold training top, training shorts or playing shorts or plain navy shorts
Events & Functions:	Navy Polo Shirt
Leisure wear:	Coburg Giants HOODIE

For coaches & team managers

- Shorts (Navy or black)
- Black Pants (no tracksuit)
- Team Polo Shirt
- Sneakers (non marking soles)
- Shoes (no Sandals)
- Beanies

Athlete injury and illness

Athletes, who are ill or unable to play, must notify their Coach / TM and CBA's Coaching Coordinator as soon as they are aware that they'll be unable to participate.

A medical certificate is required for an injury or illness requiring more than one [1] week's recovery.

A COPY OF THE CERTIFICATE MUST BE FORWARDED TO COBURG's VJBL DELEGATE WITHIN 10 DAYS OF INITIAL INJURY.

Certificates must be emailed to Coburg's VJBL Delegate:
vjbl.giants@coburgbasketball.org.au

This certificate can be used to gain credit for missed games and will ensure that your child may not miss out on qualifying for finals.

Finals Qualification

The **TM** should ensure that **all athletes** are listed on **PlayHQ**, to enable the game to be counted towards finals qualification.
If a venue is using a paper score sheet, due to technical issues with PlayHQ, athletes **MUST** sign the back of the scoresheet **BEFORE EACH GAME THEY PLAY** to ensure they qualify for finals and crossover games.

NOTE: ALL ATHLETES IN EACH GRADE MUST PLAY 40%+ OF GAMES TO QUALIFY FOR FINALS

Disputes

All disputes relating to **players** will be reviewed by the **CBA's Coaching Coordinator/s**.

Any disputes relating to **parents, carers and guardians** will be reviewed by the **CBA's Executive and or Committee.**

Please email: *CBA's Secretary:* *contact@coburgbasketball.org.au*

Contacting the VJBL

Under NO circumstances are coaches, assistant coaches, team managers, parents, carers, guardians or athletes to directly contact the VJBL offices.

ALL COMMUNICATIONS WITH THE VJBL MUST GO THROUGH OUR COBURG GIANTS VJBL DELEGATE.

This is a rule put in place by the VJBL. For every instance that someone other than the appointed delegate contacts the VJBL, the Association receives a fine.

Senior Giants-BIG V

Coburg Junior Giants teams will be rostered on to help at **BIG V** games throughout their season. This is a team requirement.

This provides the **Junior Giants** with a unique opportunity to access **Senior Giants** athletes and provide the juniors with an insight into what their basketball future could involve.

All families are expected to participate at **BIG V** games. This usually involves approx. three [3] hours of your time once or twice a season.

Conduct

As a representative of **Coburg Basketball Association**, your conduct whilst representing the **Coburg Junior Giant**s should be above reproach.All behaviour must be within the bounds of sportsmanship and follow the **Basketball Victoria** (BV) Codes of Conduct. Therefore, any conduct unbecoming will be dealt with either by a first-time warning or subsequently, suspension.

This includes behaviour at training; before, during and after a game when you can clearly be identified as a **Coburg Junior Giant**. This also applies to teams and their supporters who attend tournaments whether in Victoria or interstate.

All supporters are also expected to abide by the Basketball Victoria (BV) Codes of Conduct.
Coburg Giants has **ZERO** tolerance towards bullying and/or any misconduct on or off the court.
(Technical fouls during representative or domestic)

- 1st offense= Written warning
- 2nd Offense= Four [4] game suspension with compulsory training
- 3rd Offense= Seven [7] game suspension with compulsory training
- 4th Offense= Immediate Indefinite Suspension

SPONSORSHIP

The **Coburg Giants** are always on the lookout for **POTENTIAL SPONSORS**.

If you or someone you know may be interested in the prospect of promoting their business to over 500 families within **Coburg Basketball Association** as well as the wider community that visits our competition venues, please contact our Treasurer/Sponsorship officer: **bookkeeper@coburgbasketball.org.au**
There are many sponsorships deals available that can be tailored to suit your needs.

Social Media

I,_____abide by CBA's Social Media Policy

I agree to the Association using my child's image on the Coburg Junior Giants social media sites and/or website:

☐ **YES** ☐ **NO**

Consent can be withdrawn at any time by writing to vjbl.giants@coburgbasketball.org.au

CODE OF CONDUCT

Basketball is intended to be a recreational activity for enjoyment and health.
Coburg Junior Giants has developed this Code of Conduct in accordance with guidelines set by Basketball Victoria to give participants some guide to the expectations it has on those participants.
It is intended to assist everyone to obtain the maximum benefit and enjoyment from their involvement in basketball. As a result, the quality of participation will be improved so people are more likely to start and continue their involvement in basketball. Enjoy!

Players

1. Understand and play the rules.
2. Respect referees and other officials.
3. Control your temper.
4. Work equally hard for yourself and for your team.
5. Be a good sport.
6. Treat all players as you would like to be treated.
7. Play for the 'enjoyment of it' and not just to please parents and coaches.
8. Respect the rights, dignity and worth of every person.
9. Be prepared to lose sometimes.
10. Listen to the advice of your coach and try to apply it at practice and in games.
11. Always respect the use of facilities and equipment provided.

Parents, Carers, Guardians, Supporters, Spectators, Team Managers and Coaches

1. Encourage the children to participate for their own interest and enjoyment, not yours.
2. Encourage children to always play by the rules.
3. Teach children that an honest effort is always as important as a victory.
4. Focus on developing skills and playing the game. Reduce the emphasis on winning.
5. A child learns best by example. Applaud good play by all teams.
6. Do not criticize your or others' children in front of others.
7. Accept decisions by all referees as being fair and called to the best of their ability.
8. Set a good example by your own conduct, behaviour and appearance.
9. Support all efforts to remove verbal and physical abuse from sporting activities.
10. Respect the rights, dignity and worth of every person.
11. Show appreciation for volunteer coaches, officials and administrators.
12. Keep children in your care under control.
13. Always respect the use of facilities and equipment provided.
14. Demonstrate appropriate social behaviour by not using foul language or harassing players,

Coaches or Officials.

Acknowledgement of abiding to the above Coburg Junior Giants CODE OF CONDUCT policy.

Player's signature: _____ **Parents signature: _____**

Print name: _____ **Print name: _____**

Date: _____ **Date: _____**

RESPONSIBILITIES

The **CBA Treasurer** is responsible for ensuring this policy is made available to all relevant players and other personnel. The Treasurer is also responsible for ensuring the policy is reviewed annually and any changes advised at the subsequent AGM.
The **CBA Committee** is responsible for reviewing and approving (or otherwise) any payment plans submitted for consideration.
All **players** and/or **parents, carers, guardians of players under the age of 18 years**, are responsible for ensuring any fees due are paid by the specified date.
Coach and Team Manager are responsible for ensuring that if an athlete is not eligible to play due to **non -payment of fees**, then that athlete is not given any court time until advised otherwise by the **CBA Committee.**

AUTHORISATION

<Date of approval by the Committee>
Treasurer, Coburg Basketball Association Inc.