



BY-LAWS
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"Constitution" means the constitution of an Association. It may otherwise be referred to as the Rules of Incorporation.

"By-Laws " are the rules governing the internal affairs of Echuca and District Netball Association. They are the operating procedures that determine the conduct and direction of the Association.
In these By-Laws called the **"Association"**

" Committee" refers to Management committee unless otherwise stated.

1. Correspondence:

All inward correspondence must be in writing, signed, and addressed to the Association Secretary.

2. Information to Members:

The Association shall provide the following information in writing/website/or press to all teams prior to the start of the season.

- (a) Association contact details.
- (b) Association venue address.
- (c) Association Constitution and By-Laws.
- (d) Fixtures.
- (e) Association calendar of events, including competition dates.
- (f) Details of coaching, umpiring, and other relevant courses.
- (g) The Association shall provide notification of opportunities for all members to improve their skills by attending courses and other personal development activities.

3. FINANCE:

- (a) All fees shall be set annually at the Annual General Meeting. The management committee have the right to review all fees & payments accordingly at any committee meeting.
- (b) Umpires payments will be set at the A.G.M, and reviewed prior to the start of each competition in the following year.
- (c) All fees must be paid by the nominated due date.
- (d) **Player season fees can be pre-paid.**
***Pay for Home & away season only**
***No refunds for games cancelled or forfeited to or against**
***Payments must be made by due date specified on rego form**

4. REGISTRATION:

Teams wishing to enter must;

- (a) **C**omplete the official registration form.
- (b) . All teams that submit a registration form by the due date shall receive an Association kit, relevant to that competition.
- (c) The information kit shall include; Due date and amount of all fees and levies to be paid for the season, including registration fees.
- (d) Team registration will not be accepted with less than eight (8) players listed.
- (e) Teams entering aged competitions shall have no more than three (3) representative players per team.
- (f) Late team/player entries may be considered if space is available.
- (g) Single game vouchers must be purchased for all competitions prior to participating in a game if a player is not currently state registered.
- (h) All personnel involved with the Association are advised to complete a medical form available from the official website, competition convenors & netball office. All forms will be destroyed at the end of each year.
- (i) All coaches, committee members, chaperones and umpires over the age 18 must obtain a working with children check per Netball Victoria policy - Child Safety in Netball.

5. Netball Victoria Membership:

- (a) Netball Victoria membership fee is set annually by the Netball Victoria.
- (b) All players, coaches, umpires, participating in Echuca and District Netball Association competitions or programs must be a current Netball Victoria member.

6. Association Competitions are as follows:

*Summer/ Autumn Senior *Summer/Autumn Mixed *Summer/Autumn Walking
*Saturday (Navy, Gold, Net, Set, Go & Junior sections.)
*Spring Senior * Spring Junior * Spring Mixed * Spring Walking

7. All Competition Convenors /Sub Committees:

- (a) Sub-committees to be formed, as required
- (b) All incoming convenors are to be given job description of area of responsibility pertaining to their role on appointment to that position.

8. Age Requirements:

- (a) Participant age is determined as at 31st December of that year.
- (b) Players aged 5-7 years will participate in Net Set Go

- (c) Primary school players will participate in Set Go, Gold and Navy.
- (d) Excluding EDNA representative teams, players must attend secondary school to play any senior or mixed competition. Any other primary or representative team must apply to the committee in writing for permission to play.
- (e) 12/U Boys are entitled to play in any section of 13/U competition.
(At discretion of committee modified rules may apply)
 - i. Males who are 13 years of age (and older) are not permitted to participate in a female competition.
 - ii. males must be less than or 12 years of age (actual age) as at the first day of the competition or season
 - iii. males that turn 13 during that competition or season will be permitted to participate for the duration of that competition or season.
 - iiii. Where mixed competitions are offered up to and including the 13&U age group: a. there can be no restrictions applied on the basis of gender.

9. Grading:

- (a) The competition committee will evaluate and grade all teams.
- (b) The management committee has the right to reject any team applying for entry to the competition.
- (c) All grades may be regraded during the first three (3) rounds of the season.
- (d) Any team may request regrading to a higher or lower grade. For any team regraded, scores and best and fairest votes shall be transferred accordingly. Scores shall be retained by the opposition team/s in the previous grade.
- (e) The competition committee has the right to regrade a player according to their ability and or age.

10. Dress Code:

The Echuca & District Netball Association official jumper and T-shirt may be purchased and worn by any member.

- (a) Each team must register its uniform on the registration form.
- (b) The Association must approve all uniform colours and designs.
- (c) The displaying of logos and advertising must first be approved by the Management Committee and must adhere to all Netball Victoria requirements.

- (d) All players shall wear a uniform of the same design and colour.
- (e) Each team must be in their registered matching uniform by round three (3) of the season, otherwise they will not be allowed to take the court.
- (f) Players may wear skirt dress or shorts, but must be in matching uniform colour.
Shorts must be suitable for sport with **no pockets , exposed zippers or buckles.**
- (g) Only windcheaters in shirt colours can be worn during play.
- (h) **NO** shoestring strap tops to be worn..
- (i) **Appropriate** sports briefs to be worn.
- (j) Sports **socks** to be worn.
- (k) Bike shorts/skins are permitted to be worn but **MUST** match uniform colour and skirt /shorts **MUST** be worn over the top.
Tracksuit pants shall be permitted for medical reasons only, or if the competition convenor deem weather conditions warrant.
- (l) Appropriate sports footwear must be worn (spikes or hard soled shoes not permitted).
- (m) Gloves shall be permitted for medical reasons only. (medical certificate required as proof)
- (n) Wide brimmed or legionnaires hats should be worn whenever practical.
- (o) Players who need to wear an article pertaining to religious or cultural beliefs are to obtain permission from the committee.
- (p) Players are allowed to tape small studs not protruding past taping.

11. **COACHES:**

- (a) Coaches under 16 years must have management committee approval.
- (b) All coaches must have Netball Victoria affiliation.
- (c) All coaches over 18 must supply EDNA with a copy of Working with Children check.
- (d) All coaches junior & senior must be encouraged to complete the foundation coaches course.
- (e) (EDNA appointed) coaches of teams represented by EDNA at tournaments/regional competitions to be paid a re-numeration decided on at AGM.

12. **Injury Reporting:**

- (a) All teams are responsible for recording all injuries at the discretion of the

injured player or players' guardian (player under 18) on the injury report sheets provided.

- (b) Injury report forms are available from the competition convenor.

13. Matches:

- (a) All matches shall be played under the rules and regulations of the All Australian Netball Association unless otherwise stated in the bylaws of the Echuca and District Netball Association.
- (b) The Association to provide match balls for all competitions.
- (c) The Association shall provide match bibs.
Teams may also provide their own, they must be official size and style.
- (d) Scorebooks must be purchased by teams through the Association.
- (e) All players must register before they play.
- (g) Game vouchers for **unregistered** players must be completed and fee paid prior to playing

14. Borrowing / Playing up:

- a) A player who has filled in 4 times in a higher grade with the **same team** must play with that team for the duration of that competition and is unable to play back in the lower section. Teams can only obtain a fill-in, if they have less than 7 players for that game. Players once tied to a section (played 4 games in that section) may not fill-in for a lower section. A player once qualified with a team may not fill-in for a team in the same section. The lowest section may borrow within that section, but this is limited to only 2 games per player.
- (b) Players may only play in one team per time slot.
- (c) The exception to this rule is when a game is being used for Umpire Badging. Teams need to have 8 players to allow for injury and can have enough fill-in's to allow for this
- (d) Teams playing unregistered player/s or a player using someone else name shall lose all premiership points for the game concerned.
The non-offending team shall retain their actual game score, the offending team shall be 0.
The illegal player/s is ineligible for best and fairest votes for that game.
- (e) Any team in the Association may only qualify up to twelve (12) players.
Players may only be replaced due to long term injury or a player leaving the team.
- (f) The premiers of each grade with five (5) or more players of a premiership team are to be promoted to a higher grade for the next season.
This is to be left to the discretion of the competition committee.

16. Teams: Withdraw/ Disband/ Expelled:

- (a) Teams shall remain liable for all fees incurred up to the time of ceasing to be a member of the Association.
- (b) Members of any team which withdraws or disbands shall not play with any other team unless all amounts owing by their former team have been paid in full.
- (c) Players of teams expelled from the competition cannot participate in any other team in the current competition concerned unless special permission is obtained from the competition committee.

17. Gold & Navy Players:

- (a) Primary Gold & Navy players may fill in for **the junior** competition, and may be Registered, as a permanent member of a team.
- (b) Association primary navy grade player\’s teams are able to participate in tournaments provided they meet Association requirements and gain approval through the representative team’s convenor.
- (c) Coaching is allowed in primary modified & gold competitions by coaches moving along the sidelines.
- (d) Gold & Navy section play for points and all rules apply. Rotation of players is encouraged.
- (e) **Primary school students are not permitted to play in senior or mixed competitions.**

18. Mixed Competition:

- (a) There shall, at all times, be at least two (2) but no more than three (3), male players on the court during play.

- (b) Except where a male player has been injured during the game and there is no male replacement, play may continue with less the two (2) males.

It shall not be necessary for a male player to be opposed to a male player.

- (c) Male players shall play one in each third.

NOTE: This rule does not indicate the centre third player shall be the centre player. He may be a wing attack or wing defence.

19. Timing of matches:

Saturday 4x 12 minute quarters, 1 minute break quarter time, 2 mins at half time.
Gold Navy Youth

Spring Junior 4 x 10 minute quarters, a minute break at end of each 1/4,
2 minute break at half time.

Night Comps 4 x 10 minute quarters, 2 minute break at half time.

Go 4 x 10 minute quarters, 2 minute break at half time.

Match times and breaks may be altered depending on weather conditions at the discretion of the competition convenor.

Game times may vary according to team entries, sections to gain the approval from the management committee to alter any of the above times.

20. Cancellation of Matches:

- (a) If the competition convenor consider conditions warrant the cancellation of any scheduled minor rounds, teams shall be notified before the scheduled round by phone email, social media and / or a notice at the courts.
No premiership points will be allotted for cancelled matches.
- (b) If the competition convenor decides weather conditions warrant the cancellation of an incomplete round, teams concerned to receive two (2) premiership points each, plus percentage shall be given on an average of goals scored for and against the teams during the minor rounds.
- (c) If there is a power failure in the night competitions and play has commenced, each team is to receive two (2) points.
Levies must be paid if points are to be awarded.
- (d) Should circumstances occur in which successive rounds need to be cancelled, the competition convenor will consider the position and determine a suitable course of action in discussion with Executive committee.
- (e) Cancellation of Senior & Mixed competitions to occur 1 hour before first timeslot.
- (f) Cancellation of Junior Spring Competition to occur 2 hours before first timeslot.
- (g) Cancellation of Saturday competition to occur 1 hour before every timeslot.

21. Forfeits:

- (a) Any team forfeiting three (3) matches during the season may be expelled from the competition, even if prior notice is given.
- (b) In the first forfeit instance, the team will be spoken to by the convenor and after the second forfeit instance a written warning will be sent.
- (c) Senior Competitions to pay fee of \$70-00, if less than 24 hours notice given or \$35-00 if over 24 hours notice is given. **Spring Junior Comp teams pay \$30-00 (equivalent to 2x umpires.)** This to be paid prior to offending team taking the court for their next game. The opposing team does not have to pay levies, but must submit a score sheet for recording purposes.

- (d) If five (5) or more members of a team are not in position and ready to play when the siren sounds for the commencement of the game, the opposing team with five (5) or more present and in position to play will be awarded one (1) goal per minute or part thereof and take the first centre pass.
The offending team shall be allowed up to five (5) minutes from the starting siren to be in position to play otherwise a forfeit is awarded to the opposition.

The offending team shall pay levies for five (5) players before the commencement of their next game.

- (e) In the event that a team forfeits prior to the match clock starting, games shall only be awarded to players on the completed scoresheet of the non-offending team. No games shall be awarded to players of the offending team.
- (f) A member of a forfeiting team or a team forfeited to shall not be permitted to play in another team in the time slot the forfeit was in.
- (g) If a team is disqualified from the competition then the game shall be shown as a forfeit on the draw for the rest of that competition

NOTE: The central timer/convenor/duty person shall inform the umpires on the court that the five (5) minutes is up and it is declared a forfeit.

22. **Scoring:**

- (a) Each team must provide a non participating scorer for all matches.
The “Home team” is the first named team in the fixture.
Scoring is not to be done by on-court players.
- (b) These people must endeavour to sit together for the duration of the match.
- (c) One official scoresheet will be used for each match.
This score sheet will list the complete names (both given and surname) of all players intending to take the court, prior to the commencement of play.
This score sheet shall also indicate the positions played each quarter and the match score. Both teams players **must be listed**.
- (d) If names are incomplete on the score sheet no points will be awarded.

At the match conclusion, to indicate their satisfaction that the information on the official scoresheet is correct, the official scoresheet is to be signed by;
the umpires **and** the scorers.

23. **Protests:** **A team wishing to protest must:-**

- (a) Lodge the protest in writing with the Hearing Officer within 48 hours of the match being played. Email edna1@iinet.net.au
- (b) A team shall have a right of appeal to the committee within 48 hours of notification of a penalty.

- (c) The committee will advise the result of the appeal and this decision shall be final.

24. Finals:

- (a) Finals will be played at the conclusion of the rounds in each grade, except, Net, Set, & Go.
- (b) To qualify for finals a player must have played with the team they are registered in; for three (3) games. This applies to all competitions.
- (c) If a team has less than seven (7) players because of injury, illness, or any other unforeseen reason the team may apply to the competition committee for a player from a grade lower not involved in finals to be used.
- (d) Teams found playing an ineligible player during finals will be considered to have lost that match.
- (e) Teams that forfeit in a final relinquish their right to participate in any further final/s in that current competition.

25. Finals Scoring:

- (a) There shall be one official scoresheet provided for all finals.
- (b) Each team to provide a representative, one person to score and one to be time keeper in case of injury time or drawn game.

26. Drawn matches in finals:

- (a) There is a one (1) minute time allowance to enable teams to change ends and scores to be verified on the official scoresheet.
- (b) Teams to play 3 minutes each end for all comps.
- (c) At the end of the first half there will be a one minute break..
- (d) Should there still be a draw at the end of the second half of extra time, play continues until one team has a two goal advantage
- (e) In the event of injury or illness during extra time, positional changes and/or substitutions may be made. **(Refer to umpires rule book.)**

27. Recording:

- (a) A weekly progressive points table will be kept for all competitions and displayed

on the notice board.

- (b) The Secretary to keep a record of all registered players.
Record premierships points, best & fairest votes, and ladders for all competitions.
- (c) A player who is listed on score sheet, but has no position allocated beside name will not be recorded as having played in that game.
All player game qualifications are to be recorded by the competition convenor.
- (d) In the event of two or more teams in a grade gaining the same number of premierships points, their position shall be determined on a percentage of goals they have scored through out the season.
- (e) Forfeits shall also be shown as an average of goals scored for and against a team during the minor rounds.
- (f) Best and Fairest votes to be decided by the umpires officiating the game.
One 3-2-1 vote only. Sufficient cause must be given in writing to the appropriate convenor by both umpires, if no votes are awarded.
- (g) If team\ receives more byes than any other team\ in that grade, the extra byes shall be shown as an average of goals scored for\against the teams during the minor rounds if finals possibly are in question.
- (h) Teams will be awarded 4 points a win, 2 points a draw, 4 points a bye and 4 points a forfeit win.

28. Umpiring:

- (a) The officiating umpire may be replaced only in the event of sickness or injury or at the discretion of the umpires convenor or their representative.
- (d) All umpires must be affiliated Netball Victoria members
- (e) All umpires over 18 must supply EDNA a copy of Working with Children Check.
- (f) Umpires (appointed by EDNA) to officiate for teams representing EDNA at tournaments/regional competitions to be paid a re-numeration to be decided at AGM.
- (g) Umpires must wear a top which is majority white in colour, white skirt/shorts or track suit pants, **to ensure remain visible AT ALL TIMES.** (when weather permits navy or black tracksuit pants may be worn, but **WHITE** skirt/shorts **MUST BE WORN** over the top.)

30. Representative Teams:

Uniforms:

- (a) The official Association Representative uniform colour is navy and gold.
- (b) The players uniform comprises of a navy/gold dress, windbreaker and navy track pants.
- (c) The official uniform is only to be worn by representatives and officials when advised by Representative Teams Convenor or respective coaches.

30.1 Committee;

Representative teams committee to consist of, representative teams convenor, umpires convenor, coaches convenor, President and I other person. If any of these persons has applied to coach they must leave the room while a vote is taken on any coaching positions.

This committee selects the representative team coaches.

30.2 Player Eligibility;

- (a) To be eligible to play in the Association 17/U, 15/U & 13/U representative team/s players must play in either Senior or Saturday competition at discretion of the Rep committee & coaches and competition convenors. 11/U players must play all rounds of Saturday competition at a suitable level.
- (b) To be eligible to play in the Association Masters representative team/s players must play at least ten (10) games overall in either Saturday/Midweek or Tuesday night competitions prior to first selection. This is subject to committee's discretion.
- (c) To be eligible for selection into Netball Victoria Events, a player must be a current member of our Association.
After teams are selected a player must also play in our current Saturday or Senior night competition in a grade suited to the players standard.
- (d) All Representative fees must be paid by Annual EDNA tournament (unless on pay plan).
- (e) If fees are outstanding at commencement of new competition player/s will not be permitted to play until payment of all fees (unless on payment plan).
- (f) All payment plans need to have regular weekly or fortnightly payments made and must be finalised by 1st September. If not finalised permission must be sought from EDNA Executive Committee for player/s to commence any new competitions OR to be considered for selection at next season selections in November.
- (g) Representative players not adhering to the qualification rules may risk eligibility for selection the following year.
- (h) Players will be selected into a squad (ie: numbers permitting 2 teams = squad 18, 3 teams = squad 27.) Players may train as squad up to 2 weeks prior to first tournament.

- (i) Only Association registered players to play in representative teams.
- (j) Coaches requiring a replacement player are to notify the representative teams convenor, who with her committee and the coach will select a player from the squad.
- (k) All representative teams and officials must be in Association uniform when photos are taken for publication.

30.3 Selection Of Representative Teams:

- (a) The Representative Teams Convenor will organise the representative teams selection day's.
- (b) Selection day's will be conducted under the following conditions:
- (c) All players who have submitted a player registration form shall be informed in writing, or e- mail, of the date, time and place of selections, at least 10 days prior to first selections.
- (d) The number of teams per age group will depend on number and calibre of playing cohort as well as availability of qualified coaches.

30.4 Team Selection Panels:

- (a) A minimum of three selectors must be appointed by the Rep Committee.
- (b) Selectors may be appointed to more than one age group.
- (c) Players shall be notified, in writing of their selection into the squad.
- (d) The selectors decision shall be final.

30.5. Team Officials:

Representative team officials are Representative Teams Convenor/or their representative and team coach.

30.6. Coaches:

- (a) A coach shall be appointed for each selected team and an assistant coach encouraged.
- (b) Applications for positions to coach shall be made no later than one month prior to the first selection date.
- (c) Applications must be in writing, addressed to the Association Secretary, stating the applicants qualifications and experience
- (d) All coaches over 18 must supply EDNA a copy of Working With Children check

- (e) 11/U team coaches must have a minimum Foundation Course qualification. 13, 15 & 17 team coaches to have development qualification
- (f) 13,15, 17/U Coaches must be coaching a Tuesday or Saturday team within the Assoc. 11/U coach preferably coaching within the association.
- (g) Coaches must enter into a contract.

30.7 Umpires:

- (a) An umpire shall be appointed for each selected team.
- (b) All umpires must have a minimum accreditation of current Section 1 Theory mark and attend or have attended an accredited Umpires Course, within the last six years and have current state registration.
- (c) All umpires over 18 must supply EDNA a copy of Working With Children check.
- (d) Badged or competent umpires should be used for all tournaments.
- (e) Travel expenses may be re-imbursed at discretion of umpire convenor.

30.8 Team Managers:

- (a) A team manager will be appointed to each selected team.
- (b) The Representative teams committee will select, in conjunction with the team coach a team manager for each selected team.
- (c) Any member of the Association may be selected to be a team manager.
- (d) All team managers over 18 must supply EDNA a copy of Working With Children check
- (e) A job description sheet will be provided for each team manager.
- (f) Team managers will attend all training sessions.
- (g) All representative team player's injuries are to be recorded, on the day, by the team manager.

30.9 Captain & Vice-Captain:

- (a) **Junior Teams:** the Coach shall appoint a Captain & Vice-Captain. (13/u, 15/u)
- (b) **Senior Teams:** All team members, including the Coach, shall vote for Captain & Vice-Captain. (17/u upwards)
- (c) All appointments must firstly be approved by the Representative Teams Convenor and his/her committee.

31. Presentation of Awards:

- (a) At the conclusion of each competition, a Presentation of Awards shall be held.
- (b) The date and format shall be determined by the Management Committee.
- (c) Presentation of all awards shall be made on the presentation night / day
- (d) Recognition of achievements shall be made on presentation night / day
- (e) Management Committee, Life Members and Sponsors are to be invited.

32. Competition Trophies:

The following player trophies will be presented for each season except, Net, Set, & Go

- (a) Premiership and runner up team members receive an individual trophy for comps & Annual tournaments. Trophies to be purchased for 12 players per team. Best in final to be awarded in Senior & Mixed night Competitions.
- (b) All Net, Set Go & Gold sections to receive an appropriate participation award.

33. Association Awards:

All Perpetual Trophies shall remain the property of the Association and to remain in the Netball Pavilion.

- (a) Association Awards are to be awarded at the Saturday Afternoon award presentations:
- (b) All Association awards for each year to be awarded at the discretion of the Management Committee.
- (c) Any member of the Association is invited to submit in writing, nominations for the awards.
- (d) Nominations to be **emailed to the Secretary edna1@iinet.net.au** by a date set each year by the Management Committee, for consideration by the Awards Selection Panel.
- (e) Other forms of recognition will be awarded by the Management Committee as deemed appropriate.
- (f) All recipients of Association Awards are to receive a written copy of the nomination, to be on an Association official letterhead and signed by the President and the nominee.
- (g) The management committee are responsible for purchasing all competition trophies. The Association awards are to be purchased by the President & Vice President.

34. Association Awards Selection Panel:

The President.
One Executive Committee person.
Life Member.
An elected person,(not a committee person.)
1 committee person (non-executive)

The panel members may not be a parent of a nominee
The selection panel to be selected after nominations have been received by Secretary.

35. Association awards as follows:

(a) Rising Star Award:

Recipient to receive an engraved trophy / gift.

This award is presented to a member of EDNA who excels in all aspects of Netball.
Must participate in the Saturday Afternoon or Tuesday night competition.
Must be selected into the next level / team / TID Acade4my of the sport.
Must show promise for the future. At all times display sportsmanship at the highest level.

(b) Best Club Person:

Recipient to receive an engraved trophy/gift

The person nominated will be selected for the quality of achievements in the current Netball season.
The person nominated must be extensively involved in one or more aspects of Netball. eg. Player, Coach, Umpire, Administrator.
The person nominated must display good sportsmanship / helpful attitude and be a peer model to others.

(c) Young Achiever:

Recipient to receive an engraved trophy/gift

The person nominated will be selected for the quality of achievements in the current netball season.
The person nominated must be extensively involved in one or more aspects of netball. eg. Player, Coach, Umpire, Administrator.
The person nominated must display good sportsmanship\helpful attitude and be a peer model to others.
The Young Achiever person nominated shall be under 18 years of age at the end of the current netball season.

(e) Coaches Award:

Recipient to receive an engraved trophy/gift.

To be selected by the Awards Selection Panel with the assistance of the Coaches Convenor.

Primary Coaches Awards: Senior winner, senior encouragement, junior winner, junior encouragement are to be selected by Primary Convenor, Coaches Convenor and Primary sub-committee.

Criteria:

- A person who has shown commitment to Netball throughout the season.
- A person who has put time into developing his/her coaching skills and who has attained at least a Foundation Accreditation.
- A person who treats players and others with respect.
- A person who displays empathy with the players.

(f) **Umpire Awards:**

Winners of the umpires award to be selected from the **Saturday & Tuesday night competition** by the Umpires Convenor and her committee with approval from the management Committee.

Most Improved Primary Umpire
Winner to receive an engraved whistle

Primary Umpire Encouragement Award.
Winner to receive an engraved whistle

Saturday Afternoon Most Improved Junior Umpire under 18 years.
Winner to receive engraved whistle.

Saturday Afternoon Umpire Encouragement award.
Winner to receive an engraved whistle

36. Selection Committee: for Memorial Awards:

A Life Member and the Executive Committee.
The family members of these awards are invited to attend the presentations.
Monetary awards value to be set annually by selection committee

(a) **Joan Buzza Memorial Umpires Award:**

Recipient/s-receive engraved trophy and engraved whistle.
Awarded to the umpire who has shown a real commitment to the role to be performed.
Willingness to achieve and maintain the high level of standard required by the Association.
Prepared to perform extra duties when requested. Has a sound knowledge of the game of Netball and performs the role with expertise.

(b) **Margaret Mitchell Memorial Excellence Award**

Each nominee is to receive an engraved medallion from the Association.

The overall winner to receive an engraved award and monetary award from the association. The Margaret Mitchell Memorial Excellence award is presented to an Echuca and District Netball Association member who has represented the Association at their highest level in their chosen field.

In doing so they must have displayed the initiative, inner strength and desire required to explore the countless possibilities to obtain their goal.

They must show that pride and honour of being a member of the Echuca & District Netball Association will continually drive them onwards to fulfill their highest ambition.

All nominated candidates must show immense personal pride and extreme ambition to continually seek new avenues to strive for perfection to achieve the highest levels of performance and representation.

This award of Excellence in memory of Margaret Mitchell is to assist the recipient to achieve their ultimate netball goal .(11.08.09) The overall winner is chosen from the candidates

(c) **Joan Jones Memorial:**

The gift is to be presented at **a suitable time decided by committee.**

To be a monetary gift from the association.

The Echuca and District Netball Association on behalf of the Joan Jones family will commemorate Joan's memory each year with a monetary gift to a local Cancer Health Service or a person diagnosed with cancer, towards their on going care or rehabilitation.

The Jones family may recommend to the Management Committee an organisation or person to be a recipient of this memorium.

Recipient:

The Organisation must be directly linked with cancer services locally.

The person who is undergoing cancer treatment, would ideally be a member / family member of the Association or be someone in the community who the Management Committee believe will benefit directly from the gift.

37. Association Representative Player Awards:

To be selected by the Association Awards Selection Panel with the assistance of the Representative Teams Convenor.

A Representative Team Coach having nominated a player for these awards may be interviewed at the selection panels discretion.

All recipients of Association Awards to receive a written copy of the nomination.

To be on an Association official letterhead and signed by the President and nominee.

Awards will be presented at a dinner organised by the Representative Team Committee and held after final championships are played. President Life Members Representative Teams Convenor and nominated Team managers are invited guests. All other attendees are required to pay for their meal and drinks.

(a) **June Healey Memorial Most Outstanding Association Representative**

Each nominee selected is to receive an engraved medallion. The overall winner to receive

an engraved award

- the June Healey Award Winner shall be selected from all Association representative teams that have attended at least 80% of the tournaments **including Zones for Association Championships, but exclude Association Championships Finals Day.**

A player nominated for the award must have:

- (i) **Attended ALL tournaments and at least 85% training sessions**
- (ii) **Participated at least 85% of Tuesday Night Competition games their team played in**
- (iii) **Be reliable , consistent and always display a positive attitude to the game**
- (iv) **Be willing to listen learn and always show respect toward their coach, team mates, the opposition and officials.**
- (v) **Show vast improvement and growth within their skill level and game development from selection to end of representative season**
- (vi) **Have shown to be a team player, who has represented EDNA with pride and to the best of their ability across all tournaments and Tuesday night competition games.**

If an official is nominated for the award, they should not only have completed their commitments in their official capacity, but contributed in an outstanding manner in other aspects of Association Championship representation.

(b) **ROSE BUCKLEY ENCOURAGEMENT AWARD:**

Each nominee selected is to receive an engraved medallion. Nominated player must:-

- (i) Have attended all tournaments **(exception can be made due to injury or extenuating circumstances)** and at least 85% of the training sessions
- (ii) Shown improvement in netball skills and match play from selection to conclusion of the season.
- (iii) Shown to have respect for coach, team members, umpires and officials

Coaches to submit players name with a written profile to the Secretary by a date to be fixed each year by the Management Committee.

(c) **Carmel Mackenzie Representative Development Team Award**

All nominees to receive an engraved Association medallion and framed copy of nomination . Coaches of every development team are to select a most improved player from their team and submit a written nomination to the association secretary by the due date.

CRITERIA – The nominee must have displayed overall improvement in her netball skills and match play from selection to conclusion of the season. The player must be reliable, consistent and display a positive attitude towards the game. Show respect for her coach, team members, officials and umpires on and off the court.

38. Discipline, suspension and expulsion of members.

Disputes and mediation. Refer to the constitution.

39. Fundraising :

The Association management committee shall determine and conduct any fundraising activities during the year.

40. First Aid:

The Association will provide basic first aid in the club rooms.

The Association will have a designated room for the treatment of injuries, the room is to be accessible at all times.

41. Emergency procedures:

All emergency phone numbers are to be displayed by the phone and in the first aid room.

In the event of any member of Echuca and District Netball Association or person/s acting in an official capacity being injured and requiring an ambulance to be transported to hospital, such person/s is to be responsible for any fees incurred.

42. Special circumstances, provisions clause:

Where this by-law is silent, a decision can be made that ensures the integrity of the Echuca and District Netball Association is maintained at all times.

The Committee may in using its reasonable discretion, in exceptional or extenuating circumstances, alter, vary or waive the requirements set out in this by-Law relating to the Echuca and District Netball Association.

43. Indemnity:

Except where provided or required by law and such cannot be excluded, the Association and its respective directors, officers, members, servants, or agents are absolved from all liability however arising from injury or damage, however caused, arising whilst participating as a member.

44. Members Codes:

The Echuca and District Netball Association will adopt the codes of behaviour as prescribed in the Netball Victoria member protection regulation.

Smokefree:

The Echuca and District Netball Association will adopt the smokefree policy as prescribed by Quit Victoria this will include indoor venues and outdoor court surroundings.

Drug policy:

The Echuca and District Netball Association does not support the use of performance enhancing substances and views any such use as detrimental to both the sport of netball and the spirit of the game.

The Netball Victoria drug policy, August 1993 as amended from time to time, is implemented and will apply for all Association competition

Blood policy and infectious diseases:

The Association will adopt Netball Victoria Infonet U4 and RM6 relating to blood policy and infectious diseases.

Pregnancy:

As per Netball Victoria Infonet RM1 – Pregnancy & Netball

Responsible serving of alcohol in sporting clubs

The Association will adopt a Responsible Serving of Alcohol Policy as prescribed by the Australian Drug Foundation’s Good Sports Accreditation Program. The Echuca & District Netball Association complex is an alcohol-free zone during

Competitions.

Sun protection:

The Association will adopt a SunSmart policy as prescribed by the Cancer Council Victoria.

