

Netball ACT pays respect to the traditional custodians of our ancient continent, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, we honour their continuing connection to country and their custodianship of the world's oldest living culture.

# 1.EVENT INFORMATION - Term 1 (Other Gala Dates to be announced later)

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South 3/4	Tuesday 20th February	South Canberra Netball Association, Deakin	
North Gungahlin 5/6	Thursday 22nd February	SolarHub Netball Centre, Lyneham	
Belco 5/6	Tuesday 27th February	Belconnen Netball Associaition, Charnwood	
South-West 5/6	Thursday 29th February	South Canberra Netball Association, Deakin	
North 3/4	Tuesday 5th March	SolarHub Netball Centre, Lyneham	
Tuggeranong 5/6	Thursday 7th March	Tuggeranong Netball Association, Calwell	
ACT Year 5/6 Finals Day - Invite Only	Wednesday 10th April	SolarHub Netball Centre, Lyneham	
NSW Schools State Finals Day - Invite Only	Tuesday 12th November	Sydney, NSW - TBA	

#### 2. FIXTURES & EVENT TIMING

The fixture will be split into Division 1 and Division 2. Pending on team numbers, these divisions may be split further into pools. Where a boys division is applicable, they will have their own division. Round 1 will commence at 9.30am - but teams may not have their first game until round 2 at 10am. Please ensure you have arrived at least 30min prior to your first game. Last round commences at 2.30pm, with the whole event concluding by 3pm

Each school will be issued with a Competition Draw where possible 2 days prior to the competition date; this will include details of game times and court allocations - please note that additional changes may be made up until the night before competition or on the day when required.

#### 3. WEATHER

In the case of wet weather, Netball ACT will make a decision at 8:00 am. If a decision to cancel needs to be made you will be emailed directly and a post will be made on the Netball ACT Facebook page. For all other weather information please see

http://act.netball.com.au/sites/act/files/2020-09/NACTAdverseWeatherPolicyV1.pdf

#### 4. A REMINDER ABOUT COVID-19 GENERAL HYGIENE

- Wash and/or sanitise hands upon entry/exit and before and after using toilet facilities.
- Wash your hands frequently, cover coughs and sneezes and dispose of tissues.
- Players are required to bring their own drink bottle, towel and other personal items as required.
- Stay home if feeling unwell. If symptoms develop onsite notify the Netball ACT Competition Manager who will assist you to exit the venue. Upon departure seek medical advice and follow the COVID-19 testing advice as per ACT Health Guidelines.

#### 5. FIRST AID

Netball ACT will have a First Aid Officer should you need it. For minor injuries like cuts and grazes the supervising teacher should at first administer first aid, should the player need ice or further treatment please seek the Competition Manager/ First Aid Officer. If the injury is serious, please advise the Competition Manager who will call an ambulance.

# Blood rules and injury stoppages -

At the umpire's and event controls discretion, in the event of serious injury, competing teams and spectators will be transferred away from an injured player receiving attention and continue their game on another court if available.

#### 6. TIMING & SCORING

All games will consist of 2 x 12 minute halves with a 2-minute break for half time. Netball ACT will closely monitor the weather and will implement any necessary changes (longer half time) as per the weather policy should we need to.

Scorers will use clipboards and scoresheets assigned to each court. The scorers from both teams playing in a game must stand beside one another to record the scores. Completed signed score sheets must be delivered to the Competition Control area by the winning team immediately following the completion of each game. Scores will not be kept in Division 2 of Year 5/6 comps or for Year 3/4 Competition's and thus Netball ACT will not be collecting any score sheets.

A score sheet having been signed by both scorers and lodged with Netball ACT staff will not be returned to any team for any correction. No disputes will be entered into regarding score sheets. In circumstances where team officials of both teams testify that the score sheet submitted to Netball ACT staff is incorrect Netball ACT staff have the discretion to vary the official scores

Year 5/6 Division 1 competitions shall be conducted on a points score basis as reflected in the following points table:

Win	Loss	Draw	Forfeit*	Bye	Abandoned**
2	0	1	2	0	1
*Teams may o	claim a forfeit if	the opposition t	team is not pres	ent at the court	t after three (3)

<sup>\*</sup>Teams may claim a forfeit if the opposition team is not present at the court after three (3) minutes from the scheduled time.

If during the competition schools finish on an equal number of points a goal average will determine final placing. The goal average shall be determined by the total number of goals scored by the team, divided by the number of goals scored against the team, multiplied by 100 and divided by the actual number of matches played by the team:

#### 7. FINALS ELIGIBILITY

The top 2 teams from each of the Division 1 5/6 Regional Gala Days as per the ladder will be invited to attend the ACT Finals Day on Wednesday 10th April at the SolarHub ACT Netball Centre, Lyneham. Specific rules for finals day will be provided to eligible teams.

If any teams that finished top 2 in their region are unable to attend the finals day, the next placed team from their region will be invited. Teams invited to the final's day must consist of at least 7 of the original players from the regional day team.

The winning School of the Schools Final Day will have their name engraved on the trophy and can display the cup in their school for a period of 12 months. At the conclusion of 12 months the cup must be returned to Netball ACT.

The winning team from the ACT Schools Final Day will be invited to attend the NSW Schools Finals Day in November (event details TBA).

#### 8. INVOICING INFORMATION

- After each Gala Day, Schools will be invoiced \$60 + GST per entered team.
- A contact for your school's finance department will be requested at the time of registration.
- Schools who advise of a team's withdrawal from event days at least three days prior will not be invoiced. Teams who advise of withdrawal later than this will be invoiced 50% of the team fee.
- Any team who fails to show on the day of competition will be invoiced the full amount per team.

<sup>\*\*</sup>If game abandoned prior to half time - 1 point each team

#### 9. INSURANCE

 Students participating in the Netball ACT Primary School Gala Days will be covered under Netball ACT Public and Products Liability Insurance.

# 10. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

#### Shade Shelter -

All schools are welcome to bring a shade shelter however I would ask you please let me know so that I can plan spaces for you. They will also need to be suitably weighted or pegged down, the Competition Manager wil need to approve its safety once up.

#### Bibs and Ball -

Schools will need to supply their own patches/bibs and a size five (5) netball (Year 3/4 may use a smaller ball) to play with. Please contact Netball ACT if you school cannot supply your own.

# **Umpires** -

Schools will need to supply one (1) umpire per team. It is recommended for the umpires being supplied to hold a minimum current pass for the Foundational Umpire Course. Umpire names are to be received by Netball ACT with team registration.

#### Goal Post Height -

Please note that Year 3/4 and Year 5/6 competitions will play with full height rings

#### **Boys Participation -**

Where possible, there will be an all-boys division at each regional 5/6 Gala Day. Regardless of if there is a boys-division or not, boys are welcome to participate within mixed year 3/4 and 5/6 teams. Teams may comprise of no more than twelve (12) girls/boys. Players may only represent/play within one (1) team. There may only be THREE (3) boys on court at a time. They must not be in the same area (e.g., GA and GS).

#### **Code of Conduct -**

Players, Coaches, Umpires, Parents and outside Spectators are expected to abide by the Netball ACT Codes of Behaviour found at act.netball.com.au. Netball ACT reserves the right to ask any member of the public to leave a premises in which the Gala Day is being held.

# **Canteen Facilities -**

Canteen facilities will vary for each venue. Schools will be notified of the options available upon confirmation of registration.

### **Lost Property -**

Lost property will be left in a box at the Competition Control Area during the day. If you need any lost property please bring this to the Competition Control Area.

#### Toilets -

Toilet facilities are located at the netball courts.

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