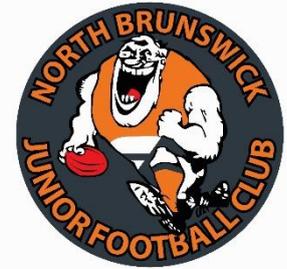




NORTH BRUNSWICK JUNIOR FOOTBALL CLUB U8, U9 & U10 Information



Welcome to the North Brunswick Junior Football Club.

If you and your child are interested in making the transition from Auskick to becoming part of our family-friendly, multicultural, gender-inclusive Australian Rules junior football club, then you have found the right club in the North Brunswick Giants!

New players, parents and supporters are most welcome at all times.

You will find that with the alteration to the competition rules for Under 8, Under 9 and Under 10 teams (see below), there are advantages to joining our North Brunswick Junior Football Club, as players will experience the enjoyment of playing games on Sunday mornings, forming new friendships with other boys and girls, experience playing in and being part of a team environment, as well as developing their AFL skills with AFL accredited coaches. Playing at Etihad and the MCG can also be easily achieved by registering with Auskick to ensure that your child gets the full AFL footy experience and doesn't miss out on anything!

You may be asking yourselves, *'Why should I be think about football in November?'*

The answer lies in the fact that the North Brunswick Junior Football Club is now open for online Registrations and is making a fantastic offer to prospective new families:

You will be notified of the commencement of pre-season training this year. It is held at Allard Park usually between 5:30pm-6:30pm for all Under 8, 9 and 10 players. **The North Brunswick Giants are one of the few junior clubs to offer pre-season training.** It is a magnificent opportunity to come and 'try before you buy' and ask questions of our coaches who are always happy to help out. Your child will not require football boots, only runners, a water bottle and appropriate clothing depending on the weather. For example, a tracksuit, shorts, t-shirt and sunscreen.

To register, go to the Registrations box on the NBJFC website, select the link to register online and follow the prompts:

<https://membership.sportstg.com/v6/regofrm.cgi?aID=5165&pKey=049045b60e4ebf024d19c9a8e63dad56&cID=11775&formID=36056>

We also encourage you to visit our website to learn a bit more about us and ask for your patience over coming months as we plan to transition to a new website. Hopefully, you will not experience any glitches!

Below is some information in relation to our Under 8, Under 9 and Under 10 teams to inform you about how we structure and operate our North Brunswick Junior Football Club. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the Secretary at giantstjfcsecretary@gmail.com, or any of our committee members.

AGE GROUPS FOR YJFL MIXED COMPETITIONS

To be registered to play for the Giants, players must be at least 7 years of age by the 30th of April, to play in our Under 8 team.

The NBJFC aims to field teams in every age group to allow girls and boys to play in their correct team. However, players may be asked to play outside of their age group on occasion, due to low or high participant numbers in a particular age group – eg, 8 year olds have been known to play in an Under 9 team when there are insufficient numbers of Under 8 players to form a team, or if a parent wishes for their children to play in the same team together. This is done to ensure that our club accommodates the many children who want to play with us as possible.

REGISTRATION DAY & FEES

Registration Day is held on a Friday in February:
Allard Park Clubrooms, Donald Street, Brunswick East
6:00pm-8:00pm

Keep an eye on the website and for secretary emails to notify you of the date for Registration Day and the fees for the football season. Registration Day is primarily to complete the North Brunswick JFC documentation, pay membership fees, fit out players for jumper sizing purposes, bring along birth certificates and for new players to receive their NBJFC kit bag and hoodie.

PLAYING APPAREL

All new players to our club will receive a complimentary **NBJFC Kit bag**.

Playing jumpers are supplied by the club.

Families are required to purchase one pair of **white shorts** (away games), one pair of **grey shorts** (away games) and a pair of **orange socks** from the club, football boots and mouthguard.

Optional:

- A t-shirt (short or long sleeve) may be worn underneath the jumper on cold days but it must be orange and plain, without any visible markings or logos.
- Skins – to be worn under the shorts; must be flesh-coloured and knee length, unless for religious or medical purposes where club must be notified.

TRAINING

Once training commences, the coaches will determine the days and times for each team. The Under 8, 9 and 10 teams usually train once a week on Fridays.

MATCH DAYS

Matches are always played on Sunday mornings.

Start times for Under 8's and Under 9's are usually at 8.45am whilst Under 10's normally begin at 10.00am.

The North Brunswick JFC home games will be played at Allard Park (Donald St, Brunswick East), where this year's Auskick sessions were held.

UNDER 8 AND UNDER 9 ROUND ROBIN COMPETITION

An annual Round Robin competition is held for the Under 8 and Under 9 teams in their respective divisions. It is hosted by the YJFL at their headquarters at Bulleen Park. It is usually held in lieu of the last Home & Away game

UNDER 10 LIGHTNING PREMIERSHIP

For the Under 10's, there are no finals as there is no home and away ladder during the season. As an alternative, a Lightning Premiership round is held by the YJFL where teams in the same division play each other on the day at a

venue to be determined by the YJFL. Scores are displayed on the scoreboard and will be recorded but will not be published.

These competitions are placed very high on the North Brunswick JFC calendar as our families enjoy the carnival, picnic-like atmosphere at the ground. Our juniors love the game day competition whilst the adults share in the social side of day, enjoying the company and camaraderie of new-found friends at the footy!

There will be a great wealth of information teams receive in advance from their Team Managers and the club when season dates are established. The YJFL website will also be updated by then and is always a great source of information.

MODIFICATIONS TO MATCH STRUCTURE: **UNDER 8, 9 AND 10'S**

The AFL's Junior Football Match Guide provides a framework for young girls and boys to progress their learning and development of the game by creating a safe, positive and progressive introduction to AFL junior competition, whilst maximising the enjoyment, fun and development of all young players.

To accommodate this view, the rules for the Tackers (Under 8 and Under 9) and Under 10 competitions have been modified to allow young girls and boys to play the game and to develop their skills through activities, games, match rules and conditions commensurate with their stage of learning and level of ability.

Following, is the Yarra Junior Football League's rules for their Under 8, Under 9 and Under 10 home and away competitions, which is adhered to by North Brunswick Junior Football Club.

Click on the link below and refer to pp.33-35 to the relevant section at point number 10.

http://www.yarrajfl.org.au/fileadmin/user_upload/Club_Admin/Rules_by-laws_policies/2016CoachTeamManager_01.pdf