



SA UNITED CHURCH NETBALL ASSOCIATION INC

SUMMER NETBALL 2024/2025 - #2

Welcome to Summer Netball for 2024/2025

2024/25 Summer start is just around the corner!

There are important changes, and valuable information, so please read through carefully.

All matches are played on the Association's Central Courts (located in the Adelaide parklands in the triangle of Anzac Highway, Greenhill Road and Goodwood Road Park 22) - parking is available in the parklands south of the courts.

A second venue will be needed this summer for selected U13 and U17 matches, at the Flinders Park courts at the Flinders Park Football Club, Hartley Road, Flinders Park.

SAUCNA Court Staff

On every night the following staff are present and are responsible for running the competition:

The Duty Manager – this is an experienced Board or Summer Subcommittee Member

Umpiring Supervisor(s) – A or B badged umpires

Court Supervisors

Duty Room Office Staff

Behaviour

- Please note any behaviour, by anyone present, which falls outside our expectations is the responsibility of your club or team to address with your members, and spectators.
- Make no mistake, games will be stopped by Court staff, and spectators asked to leave, or teams will be barred from future matches in extreme cases.
- You must comply with all instructions from any of the above Court Officials.

Affiliation fees & Insurance

Affiliation fees: \$300 per team

Insurance for all teams: **\$60 per team**

This is billed with your affiliation fees.

**Payment is to be made via direct credit to SAUCNA's account –
BSB 105-083, Account 319213540**

Invoices were sent to clubs at the close of registrations, and are due to be paid no later than the date of regrading. Any outstanding amounts for the summer season will result in the removal of clubs from the competition.

Dates

The season is divided into two parts, with everyone having a well - earned break over the summer school holidays. The season concludes with two weeks of finals in March.

All dates shown are the Monday night of the week commencing.

Round	Week Beginning	Round	Week Beginning
1	14 Oct Six team grades only	Break for Christmas & holidays	
2	21 Oct All grades play	11	3 Feb
3	28 Oct	12	10 Feb
4	4 Nov	13	17 Feb
5	11 Nov followed by regrading	14	24 Feb
6	18 Nov	15	3 March
7	25 Nov	Semi Final	10 Mar
8	2 Dec	Grand Final	17 Mar
9	9 Dec		
10	27 Jan		

Match Days Times and Breaks

We will be playing over **5 nights** this summer. All matches are **centrally timed**.

Except at Flinders Park, where playing quarters will be timed by the home team, and breaks the away team.

Monday - U15s: 6:30pm and 7:40pm, quarters 12mins, 2, 3, 2 minute breaks between quarters.

Tuesday - U13s and U17s: 6pm, 7:10pm, 8:20pm, quarters 12mins, 2, 3, 2 minute breaks between quarters.

Wednesday - Opens: 6:15pm, 7:15pm, 8:15pm, and 9:15pm, quarters 12mins, 1, 3, 1 minute breaks between quarters.

Thursday - U11s (all at Saucna courts): 6pm, 7:10pm, quarters 12mins, 2, 3, 2 minute breaks between quarters.

Friday - U8s and U9s: 6pm, 7pm, quarters 10mins, 2, 3, 2 minute breaks between quarters.

All games must start on time – there is **no grace time allowed**. Common sense does allow a short delay for an umpire who is still coming from the carpark, or toilets, but is otherwise at the venue. Quarter length and break periods can be altered in very warm conditions on the advice of the Summer Sub Committee.

A forfeit WILL be called if either team is not ready to begin on time (with a minimum of 5 players); or do not have an umpire present, or if during the match the number of players eligible to be on court falls below 5.

Scorers

Each team must supply a scorer 14 & over. The scorers **must sit together** so there are no disagreements on scores. A player will need to leave the court if there is no one else.

Dogs are not permitted with the scorers or on the official's bench.

Umpires need to be able to move up and down safely without being tripped.

Score Cards

- Each team **MUST** collect their own scorecard from the clubrooms (or Court Supervisor at Flinders Park) prior to each game.
- The first named (home) team (collects the white card), second named (visitor) team (collects the blue)
- All scorecards must be returned to the clubrooms/Court Supervisor at the end of the match (fines apply if this is not done)
- **The home team is responsible for entering the scores into PlayHQ within 48 hours of the match start time.** The Away team must not enter match results.

This includes entering players for weather related abandoned matches and non-offending forfeit teams. Players will not be entered by SAUCNA BEYOND the 48hr window for those circumstances if clubs do not do so.

- In the event of a score discrepancy between cards, the White (Home) card will be accepted as recording the official result.
Umpires sign that they officiated the match, and do NOT comment on the score discrepancy.
No changes are permitted to either card in the case of discrepancy.
- All teams are responsible for entering the players that play each week into PlayHQ within 48 hours of the match start time.
- A team consists of up to 12 players.
Both scorecards must be completed with the first and last name of ALL players from both teams and the positions played in each quarter of the match.
A player who becomes available to cover an unexpected delay or injury may have their name added to the scorecard after the match has commenced.
If a player does not take the court, then the name must be crossed out on both cards.

Finalising player positions in each quarter can be finished after the game.

- *Any evidence of players taking the court under another person's name will be dealt with severely.*

Failure to enter scores and/or players, and incomplete details on scorecards will result in fines being sent.

Forfeits

- All communication regarding forfeits should come from the club secretary - NOT a team coach or manager.
- All forfeits MUST be emailed to:
 1. The nominated opposition club secretary/contact person (<https://www.saucna.net/clubs>),
 2. The SAUCNA Summer Secretary: summersaucna@gmail.com and,
 3. The SAUCNA registrar: saucnaregistrar@gmail.com.
- Forfeits must be notified no later than 12pm on the day of the match or a late forfeit fee will apply (\$20 admin + \$30 for opposition umpire)
- Confirmation that the forfeit has been received by the opposition MUST be obtained. Please use a phone call or SMS if you have not heard to give sufficient notice to the club for their players and umpire, please remember people can be at work or not accessing email(driving) and may not see emails.
- Clubs with teams in grades below the one forfeiting should do their utmost to try and fill all teams and avoid forfeiting where possible.
- Teams that forfeit three matches or more throughout the season will be fined \$100 for the third and subsequent matches of the season.

Umpires

- Each team **must supply** an umpire per match. All umpires must be at least 14 years of age. The only exception is 13 year old umpires who have undergone screening by SAUCNA.
- Each umpire will umpire on behalf of their team - known as “home and home umpiring”. It is expected that all umpires will umpire in an impartial manner and are not a “team member” for the duration of the match.
- If your umpire is not available for some reason - one of your players or a parent or another club umpire will need to cover this absence. **SAUCNA provides no umpires.**
- All umpires need to be registered with the Association on Refbook to record allocations. Clubs **MUST** use Refbook for their umpire allocations.
A list of all umpires that will be officiating (with a unique contact email address) should be sent to saucnaumpires@gmail.com to check the registrations and allow invitations for new umpires to join Refbook to be sent.

Clubs not using Refbook for allocations will be fined.

The SAUCNA Umpire subcommittee allocates umpires for finals - you will be asked to supply umpires names and availability for finals.

Remember - no umpire = match forfeited

Equipment

- a set of bibs (playing positions) – where there is a clash of colours the HOME team is responsible for making a distinct change.
- a ball (balls can be inflated using the pump in the Official's room)
- First aid kit. Ice is available from the clubrooms.
- A scorer. A person over 14 years of age. A player will need to be taken off if no scorer supplied
- A timer (if playing at FP and for finals)
- A lot of friendly supporters!!!!

Tactical Substitutions

For the summer 2024/25 season the following rules will be in effect for Tactical Changes. Tactical changes are covered in rule 10.2, 10.3 and 10.4 of the World Netball Rules 2024 (<https://netball.sport/wp-content/uploads/2024/01/World-Netball-Rules-Book-2024.pdf>). The following key information needs to be provided to your coaches, players and umpires:

- Tactical changes are separate to a request to hold play for an injured player to leave the court and either be replaced or the position left vacant. Any request to hold play for an injury, means the injured player must leave the court. (eg you can't remain on court while a bandaid is applied)
- Tactical changes will **not** occur in any competition games for 11&U, 9&U, or 8&U. A player can be still subbed due to injury, this includes any physical distress.
- **ONLY one** tactical change per team per quarter is permitted following a goal scored. Changes at this point may include multiple players from both on and off the court. Change per team can happen at the same time as the other team makes changes, but note this is the taking of your ONE and only permitted tactical change in that quarter.
- The request **MUST** come from an on court player. **NOT A COACH.**
- Play will be held by the umpire, and changes **MUST** be made quickly. Time cannot be held due to central timing.
- If the umpire(s) become aware it is too slow, or being requested when the end of the quarter is imminent and the result of the game in the balance, they can penalise a team for delaying play, or not allow the request.

Uniforms

- All uniforms must comply with the Association Playing Conditions as published on the SAUCNA website (<https://www.saucna.net/regulations>) and your provided uniform description.
- Inclusive uniforms are permitted but **must** resemble the dress/bodysuit/skirt and shirt being worn.
- No jewellery, piercings or adornments are permitted. **Piercings cannot be covered - they must be removed.**
- Long hair must be tied back. No beads or other adornments are permitted in the hair.
- Short and smooth fingernails are a must - gloves are permitted but nails still must be smooth and short!!!
- If you have concerns about a player's uniform, please email: summersaucna@gmail.com or report the situation to the clubrooms. We will address the matter with the club. Clubs will be given until the next week to rectify the uniform matter with the player.

First Aid

A First Aid person will be available in the clubrooms for treatment of injury if required. We do NOT provide preventative strapping. Please ensure that any existing injury is treated and/or strapped PRIOR to coming to the courts. We have ice for injuries, please ask at the office.

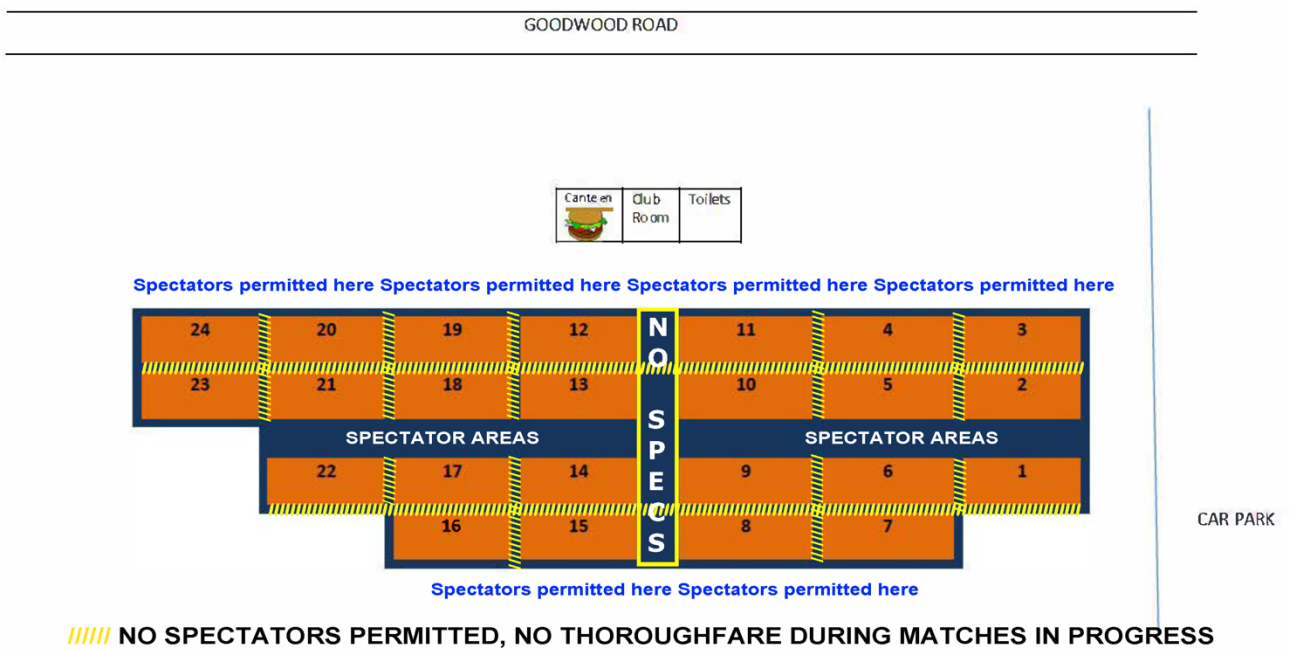
Pole Covers

- The home team of the first match of each night, needs to collect two pole covers from the storeroom behind the canteen, and put on each pole of the court.
- The home team of the last match of the night needs to put the pole covers away.

A fine of \$50 will be imposed if pole covers are not returned to the clubrooms.

Spectators

There are designated viewing places for all spectators and places that all attendees are not permitted to walk while matches are in progress, marked with yellow hatching.



Smoking and Vaping

Smoking or Vaping anywhere within 10m of courts or the clubrooms is forbidden by law: Clearing the Air. From 1 March 2024, smoking and vaping will be banned in all public areas at and within 10 metres of playing and viewing areas during organised under-18 sporting events, including training/practice sessions in preparation for an organised underage sporting event.

Flinders Park Matches

- Park either in the carpark or on Flinders Parade.
- Collect and return the scorecard from the Duty Manager/Court Supervisor.
- Matches are NOT centrally timed, each team needs a timekeeper and timer.
- When one day cricket is played, the canteen will be open.
- Toilets and first aid facilities(including ice) are available at the club. There is a ball pump.SAUCNA is providing a First Aider.
- Courts are big enough to allow spectators to sit FENCE side at the East or West end. Fence side on the middle court at the Northern side and outside the courts southern end Court 2 only.
- Timekeepers & scorers can sit between courts. There are official and spectator benches around the courts and clearly marked.



Extreme Weather Policy

Matches for the night will be cancelled if the temperature is considered too hot, or the weather too severe, for safe play. It will be announced on Facebook and emailed to clubs, by no later than **4:30 pm** on the day of matches.

Every endeavour will be made to make the earliest decision to give as much notice as possible. SAUCNA will take surface temperature measurements and monitor the Bureau of Meteorology observations and warnings to make the best decisions in the interests of player and umpire safety.

Car Park

Car parking is permitted in the car park adjacent to the courts. Enter via Anzac Highway or Goodwood Road, **AND EXIT TO THE LEFT ONLY ON BOTH ROADS.**

Parking within the designation areas only, and **DO NOT BLOCK** access roads.

No parking is permitted along the fence adjacent to the court area.

No parking is permitted near the courts or clubrooms unless with an ACC permit. Disabled parking with permit is allowed the **northern side of the clubrooms** (only if the permit applies to the driver).

Cars may be driven in to pick up injured players but must follow the gravel path. Do **NOT** drive on the asphalt footpath.

