

# MID HILLS NETBALL ASSOCIATION

## What it means to be in an Association Representative Team

By completing the on line registration (PlayHQ), you will be eligible to trial for a place in a Mid Hills Association Representative Team (Rep Team)). Rep players are selected from clubs across the Association. These players will be ambassadors for both the Association and their individual Club and play netball at various carnivals under the Association banner and uniform.

The players have a great opportunity to improve their netball skills, make new friends and have of lots fun during the year. They also gain confidence and experience playing against Country Association teams from across *South Australia*.

Before completing on-line registration, players should have read the Conditions of Selection and Player Responsibilities.

Conditions include but are not limited to

- Playing the summer season with their selected Association Rep team,
- Attending training sessions as required
- Attend nominated carnivals, including compulsory carnivals at Mid Hills (held in May) and the Country Championships (held during the June Long weekend)

**Training** - As well as your usual club practice, you will be required to attend the Rep training sessions. These are held on a Monday night for about 1½ hours at the Mid Hills Woodside courts. Carnival training will generally commence after the summer netball season has finished (unless organized by your coach to have some earlier training sessions during summer). Failure to attend these practices (with no valid reason) may result in a player being withdrawn from the team.

### **Commitment:**

Being in a Mid Hills Rep Team is a commitment to both the player and their families.

Parents may be asked to help preparing for and during our own Mid Hills Carnival.

We have various fund raisers, for example a trading table and raffle, both need your support to organise and implement. Dollar days are our major fundraiser and parents will be requested to participate in the dollar day roster, by collecting donations at the netball court gates during their rostered time (approx. an hour), with the proceeds of both going to support the Rep teams.

### **Carnivals**

Rep Teams generally attend up to 6 Carnivals throughout the winter season. (that may include Strathalbyn, Elizabeth, Kadina, and Murray Bridge). Attendance at the following 2 carnivals is compulsory and players **MUST** be available to participate at the Mid Hills Carnival in May and the State Country Championships on the June long weekend. Most carnivals are programmed on a Sunday, starting around 9:00 am and finishing about 4:30 pm. Teams will play 4-6 games during the day, then finals. Games are generally 2 x 10-minute halves with approx. 30 minutes break between each game.

**Financial Commitment** – The Association dresses are provided for the players at a minimal hire fee. Registration fees cover our umpire costs and registration/entry fees to carnivals. Additional charges for uniform will include shorts, socks, jumper and warm-up top. Uniform items not provided but required are black track suit pants and netball shoes.

Over the last couple of years, the Carnival committee has organised a weekend netball camp at Cornerstone College at a nominal cost. The Camp this year will be in October. The camp allows players to get to know each other, participate in various challenges, join in activity sessions, and listen to inspiring invited speakers.

We hope this summary helps you understand the expectations and commitment of players and parents in the Rep teams and we look forward to your support and contribution.

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We hope all players have a fun and positive experience as part of their Rep Team.