



Dear Caregivers or Player,

Welcome to Boonah Soccer Club for the 2024 season! We hope you & your family will enjoy participating in a sport that will offer many opportunities to develop skills & friendships. Please take a moment to read through this Information Pack so you know a little more about our Club and process of registration.

Online Registration – 1st week in January.

Sign-On Days – Saturday 3rd February [9.00am -12.00pm], Tuesday 6th February [3.30pm – 5.00pm].

Registration and collection of fees will occur at the Sports Complex on these days. Registration and payment will also be able to be completed online through the website at www.boonahsoccerclub.org.au

After the registration days, every effort will be made to have all registered players placed in a suitable team. However, **if applicants for a team exceed the numbers described below, then the Club registrar & committee will make a final decision** as to the makeup of each team. Every effort will be made to secure a position for players, however at times players may be asked to play above or below their current age groups. To do this fairly, the registrars & committee will consider the details from the **Player Registration Form**. The final decision though will rest with the registrar & committee.

CLUB FEES

| Age Groups | Registration Fees | Game Fees | Maximum Team Numbers |
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| Tiny Tots | \$30 | | |
| U6, U7 & U8 | \$150 | All game fees are included in the one registration fee. | 9 Players |
| U9 – U10 | \$190 | | 15 Players |
| U11 – U15/16 Boys & Girls | \$230 | | |
| U17/18 Junior Men | \$290 | | |
| S/Women | \$330 | | 20 Players |
| S/Men, Over 30's & Over 40's | \$330 | | |

Registration fees pay for:

- Queensland Christian Soccer Association (QCSA) registration and insurance;
- Match Referees & in some case Sideline Referees;
- Membership (where desired) of the Boonah Soccer Club;
- Participation Trophies;
- Equipment, field maintenance & lights;
- Running costs of the club.

Note that an application for player registration **will not be processed without full payment of all fees**.

THE BOONAH SOCCER CLUB

Players, or parents of players, are eligible to join the Boonah Soccer Club, an incorporated association under the Office of Fair Trading, for free. Interested community members may join for a nominal fee. Club membership enables you to have a say in the running of the Club. Please complete the **Application for Club Membership** if you are interested.

The management committee meet monthly, generally on **the second Tuesday of each month**. Meetings are held at the Sports Complex clubhouse at 6-30pm and generally run for 60-90 minutes. All members, players, and parents are welcome to attend these meetings. Communications within the club are generally via email (at the email address provided at registration) and via the website. Check the website often!

If you have any questions about anything at all, please feel free to talk to your team manager, to your coach or to a Club official. Any more significant issues should be put in writing to the secretary (secretary@boonahsoccerclub.org.au), and will be addressed at a Management Committee meeting.

MEET YOUR TEAM DAY

We will be holding a Meet Your Team Day on a Saturday or Sunday March 2024. The time for this is still to be decided, so please look out for an email which will be sent out closer to the day. The teams will be announced on this day and it is a great opportunity to meet fellow teammates, Managers and Coaches. **Please note at least one parent of a player from each team is required to attend this day.**

AGM

Boonah Soccer AGM will be advertised & held prior to the commencement of the season. Please consider taking on a position, more information will be emailed closer to the date.

TRAINING DAYS

Coaches will advise their teams of training times due to limited fields & numbers. Players who are not **fully registered (ie. fees paid in full)**, or who are not wearing proper socks, shin pads and soccer boots, are not covered by insurance and **will not be allowed to train or play in fixtures**. Note also that it is a QCSA requirement that all players who need spectacles should wear sports glasses whilst on the playing field.

FIXTURES

Fixtures will start in **April 2024**, date to be confirmed. Each team will receive a copy of the team's draw and fixture locations so that transport arrangements can be made. Please be at games **at least 30 minutes before scheduled start** (or as directed by the coach) as the manager must present player ID information to the opposing manager and examine the opposition's ID information before the match can begin. QCSA monetary penalties apply.

By-laws of the QCSA prohibit alcohol being consumed or sold at any games. Teams whose parents or spectators do not abide by the laws will be penalised and the club will also be penalised. We ask for your cooperation in this matter. The current smoking laws also apply.

CLUB UNIFORM

The club supplies all jerseys through the generosity of sponsors; the players must provide all other items. The uniform consists of royal blue shorts, shin pads, club socks and soccer boots. Socks are available from the club and all other items are available at Maynard's Store on High Street, Boonah.

Players & spectators are encouraged to purchase a club shirt to wear to games or a corporate shirt to wear at other times to show their support of the club. These are available from the Club Shop.

VOLUNTEERING

A Junior Sport Association cannot develop or run without volunteers – please consider being one! Information about volunteering can be found on the website. In particular, the following are needed for every team:

Coaches: If a coach for a team cannot be found, **that team will not be formed** and players will be disappointed. To be a coach, previous sporting experience or soccer skills are not pre-requisites. A **Coach** must have a commitment to children, an ability to be available at training times and an ability to be available for the duration of the team's game on Saturdays. Training for coaches is provided through the season, free of charge. **Coaches must also have a current Blue Card. If you do not already have one the Club can apply for one on your behalf.**

Managers: If a manager for a team cannot be found, **that team will not be formed**, and players will be disappointed. The team manager must organise the team so that everything runs smoothly, they must be available at training and for games on Saturdays. Team managers do up rosters for canteen & jersey washing duties, fill out game cards, check the opposing team's ID, supply a lineperson, attend Club meetings and disseminate information from those meetings. **Managers must hold a Blue Card, if you do not already have one the Club can apply for one on your behalf.**

RESPONSIBILITIES OF PARENTS AND PLAYERS

Separate from the efforts of volunteers described above, caregivers of players – or the players themselves in senior teams – are expected to contribute to the team roster for **Washing Jerseys**, assist in Club & Field Set Up and Pack Up, **All** Fundraising Events and Working Bees, are to **assist the Team Manager** in the organisation of their child's / your team and [*Possibly* make themselves available on a roster for **canteen duties** whenever the team has a home game], **Registration of you or your child is conditional upon meeting these expectations**. If ALL caregivers and senior players lend a helping hand, then the task becomes much simpler.

The Club, under the QCSA, has adopted the Australian Sports Commission for Junior Sport "Codes of Behavior", the QCSA Child & Youth Risk Management Strategy and the QCSA Social Media Policy. This applies to players, coaches, officials, parents, administrators, volunteers, and spectators. Team Managers will have a copy of these all individuals associated with the club are asked to read & must agree to be bound by its requirements.

The Australian Sports Commission Code of Behavior applies to training & games. One of the most important elements of the code is to recognise that the players are there to have FUN while developing their skills and friendships. As coaches, parents, spectators etc., we need to remember this and not attempt to relive our own sporting prowess or dreams through our children so that too much pressure is placed upon them. ***Everyone involved with the Boonah Soccer Club has a responsibility to model appropriate behavior and relationships.***