



Parent / Player Information

The information supplied here should assist parents or players with some of the questions you have in relation to playing junior basketball at the Meteors. Further questions can be directed to –

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Becoming a Meteor

The Mt Eliza Meteors is a non for profit junior basketball club based on the Mornington Peninsula. Currently the largest junior basketball clubs in the Frankston and District Basketball Association.

We offer the chance for kids to play in domestic competition basketball from the age of Under 8 – right through to Under 23.

Once registered with the club, players will be placed into a team – team placement is dependent on a number of factors, including but not limited to; ability, age group, team balance, friendships (refer to Teams section below)

Teams generally train once a week at either Mt Eliza Primary School, Mt Eliza North Primary School or Mt Eliza Secondary College and then play competition once a week on a particular day set by the Frankston District Basketball Association (FDBA). U8-U14 play on Saturdays with the older age groups playing mid-week.

Cost

The fee structure at the Meteors can vary depending on various components. If you are a brand new player to the club and need to purchase a uniform, then the price is somewhat more expensive. If your team is registered at the MDBA the fee structure is also a little different.

The registration fee covers the following:

- Player Insurance
- Registration fee (to play in the FDBA)
- Hire of training facilities
- Team Photo (winter season only)
- Family Fun day
- Player Medals (summer and winter seasons)

There will also be a 'Team Sheet fee' that is payable to the team manager of your team. This fee is dependent on how many players are in your child's team and how many games there are in the season. This fee covers costs associated with the FDBA and MDBA – use of stadiums, match officials (referees), use of game ball. This is a cost set by the FDBA and varies from season to season.



Teams

There are no guarantees of a player to be in a certain team, or to always remain in a certain team. There are often many factors involved in Team Formation, and while best endeavours are made to accommodate requests, this will only be achieved if other certain criteria are met.

Teams will not be formed to single-mindedly strive for on-court success at the expense of overall player participation, enjoyment and development.

To support the club mission, Team Formation will be compulsorily reviewed during the U10 age group, this continues throughout a player's time at the Meteors. This is intended to broaden player development and enhance teamwork skills. This will be done in conjunction with Coaches and/or Team managers of the relevant teams in association with the Sub-Grading Committee.

New players registering will be allocated to a team in their age level with a vacancy and in most cases a team with a similar beginner ability. If all existing teams are full, then a new team will be formed with all new players allocated to that team based on a minimum of six new players. All teams will have no more than eight players unless in extenuating circumstances (and except in the case of existing teams already with more than eight players) or by the request of the coach of that particular team. This enables all players to have a fair amount of court time and maximum enjoyment of the game.

Associations

FDBA

The FDBA – Frankston and District Basketball Association is the largest sporting association on the Mornington Peninsula with over 14,000 participants competing annually in various basketball programs.

The FDBA supports programs which include competitions for Primary School level participants; people with disabilities; junior and senior grade competitions; referee development; as well as providing beginner to advanced coaching education courses.

The Meteors is associated primarily with the FDBA, so our junior teams play mainly against other junior teams within the FDBA.

U8, U10, U12 and U14 age groups play on a Saturday (Game Times vary on Saturday from 8.30am to 4.00pm – younger age groups play in the morning) with U16 & U18 girls teams playing a Monday after school and U16 & U18 Boys playing either a Wednesday or Thursday after school.

Competition matches are currently played across six stadiums: Frankston Stadium, Elisabeth Murdoch College (Langwarrin Stadium) and Bonbeach Stadium, John Paul College, Flinders College and Monterey College.



Winter 2018 and summer 2018/2019 Season

| Age Group | Year of Birth | Classification |
|-----------|---------------|----------------|
| Under 8 | 2012 | Bottom Age |
| | 2011 | Top Age |
| | 2009 | Top Age |
| Under 10 | 2010 | Bottom Age |
| | 2009 | Top Age |
| Under 12 | 2008 | Bottom Age |
| | 2007 | Top Age |
| Under 14 | 2006 | Bottom Age |
| | 2005 | Top Age |
| Under 16 | 2004 | Bottom Age |
| | 2003 | Top Age |
| Under 18 | 2002 | Bottom Age |
| | 2001 | Top Age |
| Under 23 | 2000 - 1996 | Bottom Age |

Meteors Uniform

All players are required to wear the compulsory Meteors playing uniform

- Playing Shorts (compulsory)
- Playing Singlet (compulsory)
- Hoodie (optional)
- Warm up shirt (optional)

Players can purchase the uniform directly from the uniform officer. There are a limited number of second hand uniforms available to borrow until your new uniform arrives. The club also purchases back reversible uniforms from families that no longer play with the Meteors or for players that have outgrown their size.

Guidelines and Codes of Conduct

The Meteors strongly enforces the Basketball Victoria Code of Conduct and also has its own Meteors Policies and guidelines. These documents can be found at www.mtelizameteors.com Once a player is registered with the Meteors – all players, Parents, Coaches and Team Managers agree to abide to the clubs Code of Conduct and this is specified at the time of registration.

Coaches and Team Managers

Once teams are selected, Coaches and Team Managers volunteer their time to coach and mentor our budding basketballers. These volunteers are generally parents from the team. The team manager will be responsible for the team money, organising scoring rosters and is the general communicator to the parents of the players.

All Coaches and Team Managers are required to hold a current Working with Children Check for volunteers and are required to complete a Members Protection Declaration that has been implemented by Basketball Victoria.



Meteors Committee

The Meteors is run by a committee of volunteers. Any problems that cannot be resolved at team level should be directed to the Committee.

The committee generally meets 3 to 4 times a year and holds nominations for positions at the Annual General Meeting that is held around February. The club is always looking for parents to lend a hand on the Committee – especially at peak times in September and February.

Please remember that when addressing any members of the committee, they are volunteers who are attempting to run the club for the benefit of our children. Without these volunteers, the club would not operate.