



# 2024 PARENT INFORMATION

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# Welcome

## Welcome to the Sabres program!

Congratulations on your child's selection in making a team for the 2024 season. We have set out below some key points that will help you understand what is involved in your child playing representative basketball for the Southern Basketball Association (SBA).

Our representative program is for athletes who want to develop their skills and knowledge of the game. Our program allows athletes to be coached by some of our most experienced coaches in the program.

### GRADING

The grading phase commences in November and run til March. This is where the team play's game to determine which division they play in for the season.

### REGULAR SEASON (AND FINALS)

Takes place over 18 home and away games plus finals.

There are two levels of competition:

- **VC** (Victorian Championship) - The highest level in Victoria where the best 20 teams play the championship season
- **VJL** (1 - 10) Division 1 - 10 under VC

### PLAYER EXPECTATIONS

- Attend all training sessions
- Attend team tournament throughout the year
- Arrive to training 10 minutes early
- Be at all games 30 minutes early
- Communicate with coaches and team managers if you can't make training or games
- Show good sportsmanship on the court at all times
- Be respectful to all team mates, coaches and volunteers
- Adapt to different coaches styles and methods
- Represent the club in the correct manner before, during and after games
- If a player receives suspension from BV for being reported or number of tech fouls, the SBA will impose the same penalty effectively doubling the suspension handed down

# Fees

The club is financially dependent on fees for income.  
For the 2023/2024 season the fees are \$650 + \$45 for practice games.

A discount is also available to families with more than one child in the program (see table below).

Registration Fees	Annual Fee	Paid in Full (EARLY BIRD)	Paid in 2 parts (1st part)	Paid in 2 parts (2nd part)
1st Child	\$695	\$670	\$347.50	\$347.50
2nd Child	\$665	\$635	\$332.50	\$332.50
3rd Child	\$620	\$595	\$310.00	\$310.00

**Payment can be made during office hours in person at 150 Tulip Street, Cheltenham or via the phone on 9583 4481.**

Junior registration fees incorporate:

- Coaches payments
- Court hire
- VJBL registration
- Player insurance
- Administration costs

**Players will not be permitted to continue playing if full payment or first installment has not been met by 3rd December – unless otherwise agreed to in writing by the SBA.**

## Payment Options

Please pay direct in SBA Bank Account or call the Stadium and pay over the phone.

Westpac BC

BSB 033-094

ACC 127686

Ref: Surname and team

# Door Entry & Team Sheet Fees

All venue entry and team sheet fees will be collected in a lump sum payment. This is to be paid by Credit /Debit Card at the door by the Team Manager (no cash) each Friday night. There is no individual door entry fee for players or spectators. Your Team Manager will be in touch regarding a payment system for your team to cover these costs.

Weekly payment is still required if a player is missing from a game due to injury/illness/school/personnel etc

**60 Minute Time Schedule - \$125 per team**

**80 Minute Time Schedule - \$160 per team**

Grading Phase 1	
All pools – 60 minute schedule	\$125

Grading Phase 2	
Under 12 XX, AA (4 x 7 minute quarters – no shot clock)	\$160
Under 14-18 XX, AA + 20's Pool 1 (4 x 8 minute quarters Shot Clock)	\$160
All other pools 60 minute schedule	\$125

Further information regarding door entry and team sheet payment methods for CHAMPIONSHIP SEASON will be advised closer to that time.

Championship Season	
Victorian Championship (VC) Under 12 (4 x 7 minute quarters – no shot clock)	\$160
Victorian Championship (VC) Under 14, 16 & 18 (4 x 8 minute quarters – shot clock)	\$160
Victorian Junior League (VJL) all grades 60 minute schedule	\$125

# SBA Uniforms

## **Sabres online shop is now open.**

Game Day Apparel is our official uniform supplier for the 2024 VJBL season will be holding uniform fitting days on the following days:

- **Monday 23rd October at Southern Basketball Centre | 5:30pm - 8:00pm**
- **Wednesday 25th October at Southern Basketball Centre | 5:30pm - 8:00pm**

**All uniforms MUST be purchased by Tuesday November 30th to receive uniform by first game in January 2024.**

Please note the VJBL logo has updated so we encourage parents to make the switch to the new logo asap as we will have until 2025 for all players to be in the new logo.

We will have the *following* items available for purchase in our initial uniform drop to ensure everyone receives their playing uniforms first and on-time. Offcourt items will be available to purchase from Wednesday 8th November 2023.

- Reversible Playing Singlet  
(SBA will be allocating playing numbers to new player)
- Reversible Training Singlet
- Home & Away Shorts
- Warm up top - Short or Long Sleeve available
- Navy or white Socks

When placing your order please note your child's name in the notes so we can match the parent to the child when handing out orders.

**[Click here to order](#)**

**For further information please contact:  
[emma@southernbasketball.com.au](mailto:emma@southernbasketball.com.au)**

# Tournaments

Sabres teams will have the opportunity to participate in the following tournaments – subject to Coach and Head Coach of Boys and Girls:

**Southern Peninsula Tournament**  
**Saturday 11th - Sunday 12th November 2023**

**Etham Dandenong Tournament**  
**Thursday 25th/Friday 26th - 29th January 2024**

**SEJBT Tournament**  
**Saturday 9th, Sunday 10th & Monday 11th March 2024**

National Junior Classic – by invitation only – the top VC teams in Victoria have the opportunity to compete against teams from around Australia.

Team Managers and Coaches will be notified well in advance about these tournaments regarding cut off dates for team entries.

## **Coaching and Administration staff for each team**

1. Head Coach
2. Assistant Coach
3. Team Manager

## **Scoring**

All children's parent groups will be rostered on to score throughout the season.



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# Communication

The first contact point for all parents is the Team Manager, please do not discuss with a coach details pertaining to your child on a Friday night after the game. Parents can meet with a coach and Team Manager prior to or after training during the week to discuss any concerns they may have.

**The overall responsibility for the entire programs are:**

**Boys Program: Simon Giovannoni**  
**[simon@southernbasketball.com.au](mailto:simon@southernbasketball.com.au)**

**Girls Program: Rachael Vanderwal**  
**[rachael@southernbasketball.com.au](mailto:rachael@southernbasketball.com.au)**

In Junior sport across all codes there is always times when parents, players and coaches have a complaint they feel the need to discuss. Providing that complaint is documented in writing and forwarded to either Rachael Vanderwal or Simon Giovannoni, the matter will be reviewed.

**For general matters please contact Sophie at [admin@sabres.com.au](mailto:admin@sabres.com.au)**

# Sponsorships

The SBA is a non-for-profit organisation, as such we rely on our community's support. If you would like to enter a partnership agreement with the SBA, please email **Sophie** for more information at **[admin@sabres.com.au](mailto:admin@sabres.com.au)**.



## **COURT** **TIME**

In the representative program our Coaches are expected to play each child on average the equivalent of one quarter of their game time (at least), per game. For example U12s play 7 minute quarters, so the minimum to be played by each player on average is 7 minutes. However, our instructions to our coaches are quite clear on what we expect throughout the season: Team First, Player Development and Win.

Training timetables will be published on the SBA website so please continue to check the website for updated details at [www.southernbasketball.com.au](http://www.southernbasketball.com.au)

## **TRAINING**

## **TRAVEL**

The VJBL representative program can involve a great deal of travel on a Friday night which may include driving to Morwell, Geelong, Ballarat, Bendigo and even Koo Wee Rup. Where your child's team plays is determined by what other teams end up in the same pool following the grading phase.

**The representative program provided by the VJBL is extensive and demanding.**

**If for any reason you need any further clarification, or you foresee financial difficulties or time constraints please contact Sophie via email.**

**We have a waiting list in all age groups in case any players chosen may not be able to continue down this path.**

# Resources

## 01 TEAM APP

All Sabres Rep teams will be required to use Team App to communicate this season – available for free at the App Store. For more information or an introduction to how the App works, go to:

<https://www.teamapp.com>

## 02 BASKETBALL VICTORIA

All fixtures and additional information can be found on the VJBL website once the grading phase commences.

[www.vjbl.com.au](http://www.vjbl.com.au).

## 03 COMPETITION RESOURCES

<https://www.basketballvictoria.com.au/resources/competition-resources/vjbl>



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# Sandringham Sabres

## THEME SONG

Oh we're from Sabreland

A fighting fury

We're from Sabreland

In any weather you will see us with a grin

Risking head and shin

If we're behind then never mind

We'll fight and fight and win

For we're from Sabreland

We never weaken til the final siren's gone

Like the Sabre of old

We're strong and we're bold

For we're from Sabre

(Orange and Blue)

We're from Sabreland.

# 2023 - 2024 CALENDAR

2023/2024 CALENDAR				
DATE	GRADING PHASE ONE			NOTES
Friday, 17 November 2023	Round One (except Under 20's)			
Friday, 24 November 2023	Round Two (except Under 20's)			
Friday, 1 December 2023	Round Three (except Under 20's)			
Friday, 8 December 2023	X-Over Round			
Friday, 15 December 2023	Make Up Game If Required			
Friday, 22 December 2023	SCHOOL HOLIDAYS			
Friday, 29 December 2023				
Friday, 5 January 2024				
Friday, 12 January 2024				
Friday, 19 January 2024				
Friday, 26 January 2024				
	GRADING PHASE TWO			
Friday, 2 February 2024	Round One			
Friday, 9 February 2024	Round Two			
Friday, 16 February 2024	Round Three			
Friday, 23 February 2024	X-Over Round One			
	VC (12-18)	ALL (20)	VJL (12-18)	
Friday, 1 March 2024	BYE	X-Over 2	X-Over 2	
Friday, 8 March 2024	1	X-Over 3	1	
Friday, 15 March 2024	2	1	2	
Friday, 22 March 2024	3	2	3	
Friday, 29 March 2024	NO GAMES	NO GAMES	NO GAMES	Good Friday
Friday, 5 April 2024	SCHOOL HOLIDAYS			
Friday, 12 April 2024				
Friday, 19 April 2024	4	3	4	
Friday, 26 April 2024	5	4	5	
Friday, 3 May 2024	6	5	6	
Friday, 10 May 2024	7	6	7	
Friday, 17 May 2024	8	7	8	
Friday, 24 May 2024	9	8	9	
Friday, 31 May 2024	10	9	10	
Friday, 7 June 2024	NO GAMES	NO GAMES	NO GAMES	
Saturday 8th, Sunday 9th and Monday 10th June	NJC - WEEKEND			KINGS BIRTHDAY
Friday, 14 June 2024	11	10	11	
Friday, 21 June 2024	12	11	12	
Friday, 28 June 2024	NO GAMES	12	13	
Friday, 5 July 2024	SCHOOL HOLIDAYS			
Friday, 12 July 2024				
Friday, 19 July 2024	13	13	14	
Friday, 26 July 2024	14	14	15	
Friday, 2 August 2024	15	15	16	
Friday, 9 August 2024	16	16	17	
Friday, 16 August 2024	17	17	18	
Friday, 23 August 2024	18	18	FINALS	
Friday, 30 August 2024	FINALS	FINALS	FINALS	
Friday, 6 September 2024	FINALS	FINALS	FINALS	
Friday, 13 September 2024	FINALS	FINALS	GRAND FINAL	
Friday, 20 September 2024	GRAND FINAL	GRAND FINAL		
Saturday, 21 September 2024	GRAND FINAL			VC To Be Voted On
Friday, 27 September 2024	SCHOOL HOLIDAYS			
Friday, 4 October 2024				