

Position Description: KDNA Head Coach/Coordinator – Maccabi Ajax Netball Club (MANC)

Position Title:

KDNA Head Coach/Coordinator

Reports To:

Club President and Committee

Position Type:

Part-Time / Casual

About Maccabi Ajax Netball Club (MANC)

MANC is a vibrant, community netball club participating in four major netball leagues across Metropolitan Melbourne:

- Kingston District Netball Association (KDNA)
- Caulfield & District Netball Association (CDNA)
- Stonnington City Netball Association (SCNA)
- Waverley District Netball Association (WDNA)

Our mission is to provide netballers, from Grade 3 through to senior levels, with the opportunity to learn and play in a safe, stable, and nurturing environment. With 26 teams taking the court each week, we aim to develop players and foster a love of netball through a structured pathway of participation and excellence.

Role Overview

The KDNA_Head Coach/Coordinator will focus on the Under 11 age groups, with a key emphasis on coaching, mentoring, and supporting team coaches and players. The role requires a collaborative and enthusiastic individual who shares MANC's vision of inclusivity and community, inspiring players to stay active, engaged, and confident as they navigate adolescence.

This role combines hands-on coaching with oversight and mentoring responsibilities to ensure all teams perform at their best while enjoying their netball journey.

Key Responsibilities

1. Coaching and Mentoring

- Provide leadership and support to team coaches across the Under 11 age groups.
- Attend weekly training sessions (Tuesday evenings at Duncan McKinnon Reserve) to oversee and guide team coaches.
- Mentor junior coaches through a structured mentoring program, assisting in skill development and training techniques.
- Develop and implement 10 week training plans tailored to the needs of the different skill levels of the U11 teams.
- Regularly review and refine the coaches training plans to ensure alignment with the Clubs goals.
- Act as a role model for inclusivity, fair play, and sportsmanship.
- Support coaches in developing disciplinary skills to manage their teams effectively.

2. Game Day Supervision and Training

- Act as a match-day supervisor for KDNA Coaches (Saturday mornings, 7:40 AM 11:00 AM).
- Support team coaches and players during matches, offering tactical advice and encouragement.
- Monitor Coach and team performance, providing feedback to coaches and players.

 Supervise Tuesday training session at 5.30pm and 6.30pm in order to provide direct guidance and feedback to Coaches.

3. Player Development

- Oversee the development of players within the junior teams, ensuring alignment with Netball Australia's player development pathways.
- Identify and recommend players for representative teams, encouraging participation and progression.
- Foster an environment where players feel supported, valued, and inspired to achieve their goals.

4. Communication and Collaboration

- Work closely with the club committee to ensure the needs of coaches and players are met.
- Maintain regular communication with coaches and players to align on goals, expectations, and progress.
- Liaise with parents if requested by coach or committee.
- Attend coach meetings and committee meetings as required.

5. Child Safety and Club Standards

- Adhere to all child protection standards and ensure all coaching activities are compliant with relevant policies.
- Maintain a safe and inclusive environment for all players and coaches.

Key Selection Criteria

Essential Skills and Experience

- Netball Australia Development Coaching Accreditation (or higher).
- Proven experience coaching junior netball teams, ideally within Under 11 and Under 13 age groups.
- Strong mentoring and leadership skills with the ability to inspire and guide volunteer coaches.

- Demonstrated understanding of player development pathways and ageappropriate training methodologies.
- Excellent communication and interpersonal skills, with the ability to engage effectively with players, coaches, parents, and committee members.
- Strong organisational and decision-making skills to manage multiple teams and schedules.

Desirable Skills and Experience

- Experience coordinating or supervising coaches within a community or grassroots sports club.
- Familiarity with child protection policies and compliance requirements.
- Previous involvement in representative netball programs.

Personal Attributes

- Passionate about netball and youth development.
- Empathetic, patient, and approachable, with a positive attitude toward volunteer coaches.
- Committed to fostering an inclusive and supportive club culture.
- Highly motivated and adaptable, with a focus on achieving outcomes.

Expectations and Deliverables

Short-Term (Within First 3 Months):

- Assess current coaching practices and implement improvements where needed.
- Conduct at least one **workshop for junior team coaches** to standardise training plans and expectations.
- Build rapport with players, coaches, and parents to establish trust and effective communication.
- Develop 10 week training model

Mid-Term (Within First 6 Months):

- Implement structured **training programs** for Under 11 teams.
- Monitor and evaluate coach performance, providing feedback and support.
- Identify standout players for potential representative team opportunities.

Long-Term (End of First Season):

- Establish consistent, high-quality coaching practices across all junior teams.
- Enhance player skills, team cohesion, and competitive performance.
- Develop a cohesive and confident coaching team capable of independent leadership.

Role Commitment

- Weekly attendance at training sessions (Tuesday evenings, 5.30 and 7.30pm).
- Regular attendance at Saturday matches for KDNA
- Participation in coach meetings and club functions as needed.

Requirements

- Current Working with Children Check.
- Complete the Maccabi online Member Protection Policy course

Remuneration

Remuneration is competitive and will be based on experience and qualifications.

How to Apply

To express your interest, please submit your CV and cover letter to macvicnetball@yahoo.com

For further information, please contact Nat Dodge at macvicnetball@yahoo.com

This is a unique opportunity to make a lasting impact on the future of netball at MANC and play a key role in developing our next generation of players and coaches. We look forward to welcoming you to our club!