

Development Coach – Expression of Interest

MKA Sports & Cultural Club – Northern Suburbs

As our club continues to expand across multiple age groups and divisions, we are seeking an energetic, knowledgeable and highly motivated Coach to join our growing netball program.

We are a well-established, community-driven club based in Melbourne's North, with a strong focus on player development, culture, discipline and long-term pathways. With participation numbers increasing each season, we are preparing early for the upcoming competitions and are looking for the right person to help shape the next generation of players.

About the Role

The Coach will play a critical role in building strong technical foundations across junior age groups, mentoring players and supporting our competitive pathway from grassroots through to representative levels.

This is a volunteer-based leadership role suited to someone who:

- Has a genuine passion for junior athlete development
- Understands long-term player progression (not just short-term wins)
- Thrives in a structured but community-focused club environment
- Can contribute to both training programs and match-day preparation

Key Responsibilities

- ◆ Technical & Tactical Development
 - Deliver structured, age-appropriate training sessions (6–17 years)
 - Focus on core fundamentals: footwork, ball skills, spatial awareness, defence principles, and attacking structures
 - Introduce progressive tactical concepts appropriate to each age level
 - Identify strengths and areas for improvement in individual players
- ◆ Player Mentoring & Culture
 - Provide clear, constructive and positive feedback
 - Build confidence and resilience in young athletes
 - Encourage discipline, teamwork and accountability
 - Support players transitioning between age groups and divisions

- ◆ Parent & Stakeholder Communication
 - Liaise professionally with parents regarding development pathways
 - Provide guidance on skill progression and areas requiring additional work
 - Assist in managing expectations in a constructive and supportive manner
 - Work collaboratively with other coaches within the club structure

What We Are Looking For

- Strong technical knowledge of netball fundamentals and game strategy
- Experience working with players aged 6–17 years
- Ability to communicate clearly and positively with children and parents
- Understanding of long-term athlete development principles
- Reliable, organised and committed to the season
- Working With Children Check (or willingness to obtain one)

Representative experience (playing or coaching) is advantageous but not essential.

Why Join MKASCC?

- Be part of a growing, ambitious and values-driven club
- Contribute to a structured development pathway
- Help shape the culture of one of the North's emerging programs
- Opportunity to grow with the club long term

We are planning early for the upcoming season(s) to ensure strong preparation, structured preseason training and clarity across all age groups.

If you are passionate about netball development and want to make a meaningful impact in a thriving community club environment, we would love to hear from you.