

Youths U12 – U16 & U18 Information Sheet : 2020

All information on this sheet and more can be accessed via our webpage
www.avalonsoccerclub.com.au

Contacts

Youth Vice President (U12-16)	Greg Jones	0400 044 277
Senior Vice President (U18)	Ron Simpson	0403 241 312

Age Coordinators

Under 12/13	Vanessa Edwards	0416 163 648
Under 14/15	Giles Stoddard	0425 183 605
Under 16	Dave Hancock	0412 267 347
Under 18	Kerri Burgers	0410 576 159

Frequently Asked Questions

Q. Now we have registered to play, what happens?

A. Grading is for all those players U10 and up that wish to tryout for the highest Division(s) in their age group. If your child does not want to Grade/'just wants to play with their friends socially', that's fine, your age coordinators will allocate your child into an appropriate team. For those that wish to Grade, please be on time because we will be adhering to the following schedule:

Age Group	16 th & 23 rd February 2019	Field
Under 12	Sun.23rd Feb. 9:15am - 11:00am	Careel Bay 1
Under 13	Sun. 23rd Feb. 7:45am - 9:30am	Careel Bay 1
Under 14	Sun. 16 th Feb. 10:45am -12:30am	Careel Bay 1
Under 15	Sun. 16 th Feb. 9:45am - 11:00am	Careel Bay 1
Under 16	Sun. 16 th Feb. 7:45am - 9:30am	Careel Bay 1

Please arrive in good time, prepared with correct attire (including shin pads and boots), sunscreen and water bottle. We have allocated at least 1.25hrs for each session, some sessions may be shorter. Go to clubhouse to place names and preferred position on Grading sheets, and collect numbered bibs. Wait until called by Graders..

Q. Once we are graded what happens next?

A. The Grading committee use the Grading sheets and the 2019 coaches report to allocate players into appropriate teams. All team announcements will be made via our website, www.avalonsoccerclub.com.au.

For more information on our grading and team selection policies please visit our website.

Q. What do we need to play?

A. Each player in the U12s and older, needs an MWFA ID, that is required before the player can take the field. WITHOUT THIS MWFA ID PENALTIES APPLY TO THE PLAYER AND THE TEAM.

Important Dates

- Annual trial day for **Avalon v Narrabeen: Sunday 22nd March**
- Annual trial day for **Avalon v Pittwater: Sunday 29th March**
- Season kick-off: **Saturday 4th April** (Note:U18/1 Friday 3rd April)

PLEASE NOTE: All teams U12 and up, could be playing catch up games on the middle weekend of the July school holidays or midweek evenings or on Sundays.

Q. Where do we play?

A. All home games should be at Careel Bay. However, the shortage of fields as football numbers grow dictates this is not always possible. Some teams might find themselves away from Careel Bay for a designated home game field. Since the draw is prepared by the MWFA, this is an area the Club has no control over.

Q. What time are the games?

A. U12 – U16: You could kick off anytime between 8:30am and 11:30am.

U 18: Division 1 play on **Friday evenings at 7pm** and other divisions on Saturday either 1:00 or 3:00pm.

Q. What size ball is required?

A. Bring a ball to every training session! A size 4 ball is required for under 12 to 13's inclusive and a size 5 for all older players.

Q. Do we play in the rain?

A. YES! All games must be considered on unless you are notified to the contrary. A team CANNOT decide to not show due to poor weather. Wet weather procedure is outlined fully on our website. When a game is called off, the team manager will be officially notified by their Age Coordinator, VP or the Competition Secretary. The team manager will contact players. For rescheduled games for 12 and above you will be notified of the change by the Competition Secretary.

Please Note: rescheduled games are often played on weekday evenings or on Sundays.

If your team forfeits within 24 hours of game time, the Club will be fined and this will be passed on to your team. All forfeits are recorded as a 5-0 win to the opposition.

Q. What does the Avalon Soccer Club expect of us now we are an important part of the Club?

A. We expect that as a member of a team, you consider others and not let your side down. Please let your manager know as soon as possible if your player can't make a training session or game. If you are intending to be away on holidays during the season and will miss games please let your manager know at the start of the season.

The coach and manager are volunteers and deserve your support and respect in their decisions.

Equal Playing Time Policy

For all players Under 11 to under 18 inclusive: The Club's policy is that all players be given a fair and equitable playing time over the course of the season with the exception that players graded into the Club's top team in each age group will play dependant on acceptable attendance and behaviour. The manager and coach are responsible for this policy being enforced. If you feel there is an issue, please contact your age coordinator/vice president.

IMPORTANT – VOLUNTEER SUPPORT & ROSTERS :- Irrespective of our players being 5 or 70, we will be asking your team to help us during the year so please expect to spend an hour or two in our canteen, on the BBQ or doing some field set up or take down duty. . For further information and resources are located at www.avalonsoccerclub.com.au