

## M.V.N.C. TEAM SELECTION POLICY

### **Aim**

Mount View Netball Club is committed to providing our members with the opportunity to play netball in friendly and competitive teams.

The club's focus is on ensuring the players are having fun and not adopting a 'win at all costs' attitude.

The aim of the process is to ensure all players are placed in a team that will:

- a) Best represent their level of skill and ability
- b) Maximise opportunities to develop and improve their skills
- c) Maximise their enjoyment and love of the game

This document is also a guide for players and parents so that they can be better informed on the process and the level of involvement that goes into forming teams at the start of each season.

In the past, friend requests were high on the selection criteria to ensure the players were grouped with friends. These requests can still be considered but are not a high priority.

Due to changes in the number of players registered with the Club, team vacancies and the rates of development of players from season to season, or year to year, player movements in and out of teams do occur. We encourage parents and players to be reasonable in their expectations and encourage positive feedback so that children will be happy in the teams in which they are ultimately placed.

### **Team Selection Process**

#### Process of forming team

Team selection will be done by a sub-committee of 3-4, which will form the 'Selection Panel'. This panel will be formed each year at the first committee meeting of the year in January. This panel will consult coaches and other committee members of observations of play during the season as part of the process. Players, Coaches and/or parents will not dictate selections and the panel **will have the final say**.

Teams will be selected based on grouping players with similar ability to ensure the team is given an opportunity to be competitive.

#### Current Players

Teams are selected at the beginning of the year and will remain the same for the year, to a large extent. Exceptions to this will be during the year, if a team vacancy arises, the Selection Panel will consult with coaches to identify if any player has the ability to fill the vacancy. An internal move may be made between teams as a result.

#### New Players

For players new to the club, applications to join will be considered but an offer of a place on a team will be dependent on place availability and the skills of the player. Assessment of player skills may take the form of a try-out or, in the event that the player is already known to a MVNC coach, a recommendation from that coach to the Selection Panel.

This policy will subject to review annually at the start of the year depending on player numbers and the club's current position.