WELCOME TO THE SHARKS
Team Handbook

IMPORTANT DATES:

Autumn 2021 Competition Dates

Season start
Wednesday 27th January 2021

No games
Labour day weekend: Sat. 6th– Mon. 8th March
Queens birthday weekend: Sat 12th– Mon 14th June

Finals
Semi finals: Sat 5th– Mon 7th June & Tues 15th– Fri 18th June
Grand finals: Sat 19th – 20th June

For registration dates please refer to the Sharks' website calendar and Facebook page

Upcoming Club Dates

For upcoming club dates please refer to the Sharks' website calendar.

View our website at: www.sharksbasketballclub.org.au

Keep up to date with club news and events on FB 'Beaumaris Sharks Basketball Club'

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Email: Please ensure that we always have your current email as nearly all communication happens via email.
Contact lysharks@gmail.com with any changes.

Age Groups for Autumn Season 2021

Born by 14/5/2014 (start of the season)	U9 girls and boys
Born 2012	U10 girls and boys
Born 2010 and 2011	U12 girls and boys
Born 2008 or 2009	U14 girls and boys
Born 2006 or 2007	U16 girls and boys
Born 2004 or 2005	U18 girls and boys
Born 2002 or 2003	U20 girls
Born 2001, 2002, 2003	U21 boys
Born 1999, 2000, 2001	U23 girls
Born 1999, 2000	U23 boys (new comp for Autumn 2021)

Please note the following as per the SBA By-Laws:

- To be eligible to play in the U9 competition a player must have turned 7 by the start of the season
- Any player who is eligible to play in the junior domestic competition may play in no more than one age group above their current age competition. **Example:**
  A Player eligible in U14 can only play up to U16 competition. That player **cannot** play in the U18 competition.
- A Junior fill in player may play up to (3) games a season in a **higher grader** of the same age group in a junior competition. Once the player plays a fourth game in a higher grade, they are no longer eligible player in the lower grade. Junior players are not permitted to play in a grade lower than the team they have registered to play in.

Photographic images of players may be used during any activities associated with the Southern Basketball Association for publication in any form to promote basketball.

Find the full set of SBA By Laws HERE

Uniforms

Shorts and singlets are available from the club at a cost of $40 each for new items and $10.00-$20.00 for second hand items (subject to availability) OR $75 for a new set (singlet and shorts). All new players are required to purchase shorts and a singlet.

Singlets will be available for new players to purchase once team lists become available. When purchasing a singlet please know team member singlet numbers to avoid double up. Returning players can request to swap their singlets for another second hand singlet for a different size, player number, subject to availability.

To purchase a uniform you can attend one of our upcoming days:
Sat 16th January (1pm-4pm) and Fri 22nd January (10am-1pm)
At 2 Panorama Ave, Highett

OR

To place an order for the Autumn 2021 season please complete the following:
Uniform order form

For uniform queries email Sandy at: sharksuniform@outlook.com

If you have a singlet that you have paid for but have no further use for then the club would welcome your donation.

Training

If you haven't already done so, all team managers are required to complete a training venue preference form by clicking here. **Only one per team please.**

Sessions can be scheduled around the availability of the team's coach and court time. The club hires a variety of courts in different locations. Times will be confirmed and coaches notified by the training venue coordinator before the start of the Autumn season.

COVID-19 Training UPDATE: As at early July 2020, indoor hire courts at local schools are not available for use due to COVID-19 restrictions. Teams will be notified when they become available as well as required COVID-19 procedures that must by followed by all teams that wish to train.

There is a shortage of available indoor courts across the Association. The club has worked hard to secure as many indoor training spots as possible, however there are not enough spots to accommodate all Sharks teams.

There MUST be 2 adults per team in attendance at ALL trainings (this can include the Coach if they are an adult). This is for the safety of our children – so if for example an accident does happen one adult can attend to the injured child while the other adult continues the training session or supervises the remaining children. Under the Child Safety Standards, the Club has an obligation to ensure the safety of all Sharks players when training and playing.

COVID-19 procedures will also be in place and made available to all teams once training commences. Check the Sharks website for further information.

If you have any training queries please contact Dallas at sharkstraining@outlook.com

Competition Game Days and Venues (subject to change)

Monday	U12 Girls	Tulip Street Sandringham & Mentone Girls SC
	U18 Girls	Tulip Street Sandringham & Mentone Girls SC
Tuesday	U14 Girls	Tulip Street Sandringham & Mentone Girls SC
Wednesday	U16 Girls	Tulip Street Sandringham
Thursday	U10 Girls	Tulip Street Sandringham & Mentone Girls SC
	U10 Boys	Tulip Street Sandringham
Friday	U9 Girls	Tulip Street Sandringham & Cheltenham SC
	U9 Boys	Tulip Street Sandringham & Cheltenham SC
Saturday	U12 Boys	Tulip Street Sandringham
	U14 Boys	Tulip Street Sandringham & Parkdale SC
	U16 Boys	Tulip Street Sandringham & Mentone Grammar
	U18 Boys	Mentone Girls' Secondary College (A & B Grade)
Sunday	U18 Boys	Tulip Street Sandringham & Mentone Grammar (C & D Grade)
	U20 Boys	Tulip Street Sandringham
	U23 Girls	Tulip Street Sandringham

Fixtures

Can be viewed via the SBA website (please make sure you are looking at the correct season) at https://www.southernbasketball.com.au/domestic-competitions/

NOTE: for the first 4 rounds (known as 'The Grading Phase') games are put up one round at a time and may not appear on the website until only a few days before the game is due to be played. Please check the fixture frequently as the game times can change.

Grading

Grading of teams (except for u9) will occur during the first 4 weeks of the season. Visit By-Laws and refer to by-law 2.0.

Please note a few SBA Domestic Rules regarding grading:

- Players MUST NOT fill in for other teams in their own age-group during grading
- ALL registered players for a team MUST PLAY a MINIMUM of 75% of grading games with that team
- If a team is missing a player / players for any games during the grading phase, the Team Manager MUST advise Lynelle at lysharks@gmail.com prior to the game.
- If teams are using fill-in players during the grading phase, the Team Manager MUST advise Lynelle at lysharks@gmail.com prior to the game.

Please note: if your team has an issue with grading please communicate this issue in a timely fashion (that is, during week 2-3 of grading) to your age group coordinator and Lynelle at lysharks@gmail.com. Once the grading phase is complete (or near complete) it becomes very difficult to do grading issues with the SBA.

COVID-19 requirements for start of Autumn Season

COVID-19 requirements in relation to conducting training as well as domestic games will change over time. Refer to the Sharks website, club emails and the SBA website for important updates on COVID-19 restrictions and requirements for training and games.

Coaching

ALL Sharks coaches are volunteers, usually parents, sometimes older siblings, occasionally players from older Sharks age groups and sometimes friends of players. All our coaches deserve our gratitude & support. **ALL teams require a coach.**

If your child's team is without a coach PLEASE consider volunteering to take on this vital role or ask a family member or friend if they would consider coaching your team. Coaching can be a very rewarding experience for teenagers and adults.

Teams without a coach will have the position rostered to the parents. Note: It is not the co-ordinators or The Club's role to find coaches for teams although they will attempt to offer assistance when they can. Please ask anyone interested in coaching to contact lysharks@gmail.com

All coaches must register their details on Playhq and complete the volunteer registration requirements detailed below.

Coaching Courses

Coaches are encouraged to complete a coaching course conducted by the SBA and/or Basketball Victoria. The Sharks will sponsor any current and prospective coaches to complete Level 0 (beginner) and Level 1 (more advanced) courses.

For information regarding upcoming Coaching courses refer to the SBA website at https://www.southernbasketball.com.au/officials/coaches-officials/

Please contact lysharks@gmail.com for more information.

Coaching benefits

Registered coaches are entitled to either: 50% refund of fees paid for the child/sibling in the team coached, or a Rebel voucher for the same amount.

One coaching refund per team is available.

Coaches receive free entry to the stadium when coaching – simply ask to sign in at the desk. (Note only one coach per team can sign in free).

Coaches are not there to supervise unruly behaviour; they are there to help our children learn and enjoy the game of basketball. If a player's behaviour is inappropriate the coaches should consult the Team Manager and have a quiet word to the child's parent/guardian. If it continues please email a committee member or lysharks@gmail.com

Coaching assistance

The Sharks is pleased to offer assistance to all of our coaches and teams in the form of our resident, highly experienced Director of Coaching Brandon Polk. Brandon will be available to work with teams and their coach during Autumn training sessions. We encourage you to take advantage of this fantastic resource.

To book in a session (or two!) with Brandon please contact Malcolm at sharkscoaching@outlook.com.

Team Managers

A Team Manager assists the coach by organising and communicating a training time, scoring roster, handing out fixtures etc and calling the team with training / game times or changes etc. Team Managers sometimes also organise an end of season get together for the team, a 'thank you' for the coach, certificates / prizes for the players etc. If your team is without a manager please consider taking on this role.

All Team Managers must register their details on Playhq and complete the volunteer registration requirements detailed below.

Important: Volunteer registration requirements

In line with the Child Safety policies and procedures of the Southern Basketball Association (SBA) and the Beaumaris Basketball Club it is mandatory that **all coaches, team managers, volunteers and officials of the Club complete the registration requirements detailed below.**

Evidence of meeting these requirements must be recorded on the ***Everproof*** record management system.

It is essential that your compliance is maintained at all times in line with Child Safety requirements.

To register and be compliant you must complete the following:

Obtain a Working with Children Check here

1. Successfully complete the following 2 Play by the Rules courses (each course will take approx. 20 minutes to complete):

   Play by the Rules - Child Protection Course here
   Play by the Rules - Harassment and Discrimination Course at here

2. A Member Protection Declaration with a Statutory Declaration found here

3. COVID 19 Infection Control Training found here

The signed Declaration and certificates of completion for both courses must be loaded onto ***Everproof***. After completing these requirements, you will be "compliant".

If you don't have an ***Everproof*** account, you can create one here. Once you have created one, please contact Club at lysharks@gmail.com to have your account linked to Beaumaris Sharks Basketball Club.

Games and forfeits

If you cannot play a game PLEASE make sure you inform your Coach or Team Manager ASAP so that they can ask players to play up if needed. The Club is penalised if a team forfeits without one clear week's notice.

IF your TEAM needs to submit a FORFEIT please email Lynelle on lysharks@gmail.com ASAP so we can alert the SBA and your opposition.

Clash singlets for Sharks vs. Sharks games

When one Sharks team plays another Sharks team, one of the teams needs to wear the white singlets located in tubs in the alcove next to the stadium's front desk.

The standard rule is the first named team on the fixture wears them clash singlets although this is open to negotiation amongst the teams☺ We recommend, for fairness, to rotate who wears the singlets.

If playing at a satellite venue (i.e. Mentone Grammar, Mentone Girls Secondary or Cheltenham Secondary) bibs are available at the front entry desk.

SPORTSMANSHIP- Codes of Conduct

All players, volunteers and spectators are reminded to behave in a positive, friendly and sportsmanlike manner.

Administrators, coaches, officials, parents, players and spectators are bound by the Beaumaris Basketball Club and Southern Basketball Association Codes of Conduct located at https://www.southernbasketball.com.au/about-sba/policies-forms/. Please familiarise yourselves with these codes of conduct.

During games if your team has **any concerns** in relation to breaches of the Code of Conduct please contact the **Umpire Supervisor** on duty at the time. This enables issues of concern to be addressed in a timely manner.

Any complaints made after the event must be made through the Beaumaris Sharks Basketball Club by emailing lysharks@gmail.com. Please avoid emailing other domestic clubs OR the Southern Basketball Association directly with complaints.

Child Safety

The Beaumaris Sharks Basketball Club is committed to child safety.

We want children to be safe, happy and empowered. We support and respect all children, as well as our staff and volunteers.

As members of the Club, parents, coaches and volunteers are responsible for identifying and reporting poor practice (including possible abuse) and act if they have concerns about the welfare of any Sharks player.

Please make sure you are familiar with the Club's Child Protection Procedure on the website.

Our club expects its members and officials to discuss any concerns they may have about the welfare of a child immediately. Please report these concerns to Lynelle at lysharks@gmail.com or Angie at pressharks@gmail.com

SOCIAL MEDIA Code of Conduct

Please be aware of the association's Social Media Code of Conduct which the club endorses and supports. An extract states:

1. Do not use social media to be critical of teammates, coaches, officials, administrators, volunteers or spectators. Any comment you make on social media sites has the potential to be seen by millions of people. That is great if comments are positive. But it can be extremely negative and harmful if critical of people. Before you post a comment on social media ask yourself this: Would I want millions of people to read something negative about me?
2. Always assume the person you are talking/writing about will see what has been said/written. Just because an online chat is between two people does not mean it remains private and nobody else can see it. Social media is accessible to everyone. Even if the person you are discussing does not see it, somebody else may. The result is you rather than the person you are ridiculing will be seen in a negative light.
3. Use social media as a positive outlet to promote players, teammates, teams, clubs and others involved in basketball. Posting results and acknowledging individual and team performances on social media makes many people aware of team and individual achievements. That can have a positive effect for many people and should be used, encouraged and embraced wherever and whenever possible.
4. Remember to show respect. When using social media, show the same respect and regard for people that you would show and are expected to show when playing, officiating or attending a basketball game.

For the Full Code of Conduct refer to https://www.southernbasketball.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2018/09/Social-Media-Policy.pdf

Heat policy

The Beaumaris Sharks Basketball Club takes seriously the health and safety of our players and volunteers. In line with Basketball Victoria's Heat Policy all basketball participants are urged to take care even in moderately warm conditions.

With regards to training during periods of moderate to extreme heat the Club recommends that training be cancelled when the temperature on the court reaches 35 degrees Celsius.

It is the responsibility of an **adult** supervisor (for example, team manager or coach) to monitor the training conditions and players to make a decision as soon as is practicable regarding cancellation of training.

The Southern Basketball Association enforce the extreme heat policy during games. When the court temperature reaches 35 degrees Celsius team will play modified games. When the court temperature reaches 40 degrees Celsius games will be cancelled.

Water

It is very important that players develop the habit of drinking WATER before, during & after exercise.

We ask all families and coaches to encourage players to drink water before training & games AND to bring a bottle of water to all training and game sessions. If you do not have a Sharks drink bottle and would like one, please email lysharks@gmail.com to arrange a mutually convenient time to get one.

By playing with The Sharks you agree to the following waiver (based in part on Basketball Victoria's waiver):

THE SHARKS BASKETBALL CLUB CONSENT / WAIVER

- I consent to receiving emergency medical treatment, which may be deemed advisable in the event that I suffer injury, accident and/or illness.
- I recognise that the sport of basketball is physically demanding and carries some risk of injury. I declare that I am physically fit and able to compete in the sport of basketball and have not been told otherwise by a medically qualified person.
- Both personally and for my legal personal representatives I release and forever discharge the Association, its committee members, its coaches and its team managers from all liability, claim, damages, costs or expenses which I may have against them arising out of or in any way connected with my participation in basketball training and competitions organised by the Association, including all injuries that may be suffered by me before, during or after a basketball training session or competition. I understand that this waiver includes all claims based on negligence or the action or inaction of any of the above-mentioned parties.
- I agree to images of my child/ren engaged in basketball or other club related activities to be used for legitimate promotional purposes in relation to the Beaumaris Sharks Basketball Club eg. Website, newsletter, advertising etc.

Note: the 'I' in the waiver above refers to the player, parent or legal guardian – as appropriate.

Have a great season
GO SHARKS!

@BelievePHQ
GOOD SPORT PARENT
VS.
BAD SPORT PARENT
Supports the coach
Lets their child make decisions
Encourages their child
Lets their child have fun
Praises their child and cheers for everyone
Is a role model
Respects officials
Respects the opposition
Supports the coaches decisions
Gives their child autonomy
Wants their child to learn lessons from sport
Argues with the coach
Constantly shouts instructions
Criticises their child
Over pressures their child
Compares their child to other players
Demonstrates negative behaviours
Is abusive towards officials
Argues with opposition parents/players
Disagrees with the coaches decisions
Tells their child how to play
Wants their child to win at all costs