WELCOME TO THE SHARKS
Team Handbook

IMPORTANT DATES:

Autumn 2022 Competition Dates

Season start
Thursday 27th January 2022

No games
Labour Day weekend 12th March – 14th March
School Holidays: 11th April– 25 th April
Queens Birthday weekend: Sat 11th June– Mon 13th June

Finals
Semi-finals: Sat 4th–Fri 10th June
Grand finals: Sat 18h – 19th 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'

Email: Please ensure that we always have your current email as nearly all communication happens via email. Contact administration@sharksbasketballclub.org.au with any changes.

If your details change please also update your PlayHQ profile for the SBA to be able to contact you with updates, forfeits and emergencies.

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Age Groups for Autumn Season 2022

Born 2015	U8 girls and boys
Born 2014	U9 girls and boys
Born 2013	U10 girls and boys
Born 2011 and 2012	U12 girls and boys
Born 2009 or 2010	U14 girls and boys
Born 2007 or 2008	U16 girls and boys
Born 2005 or 2006	U18 girls and boys
Born 2003 or 2004	U20 girls
Born 2002, 2003, 2004	U21 boys
Born 2001, 2002	U23 girls
Born 2000, 2001	U23 boys

Please note the following regarding player eligibility (refer to SBA By Laws):

- To be eligible to play in the U8 competition a player **must have turned 6** 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 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.
- A player **must** be registered to play in the domestic competition. The SBA will allow a player to play 1 game only as an unregistered player.
- Any players joining part way through a season (after grading) must obtain the permission from the Club by contacting the club at (insert your email).

Find the full set of SBA By Laws HERE

Uniforms

Uniforms are available from the club at a cost of $40 each for new Shorts and $45 each for singlets or $80 for a new set (singlet and shorts). All new players are required to purchase shorts and a singlet.

Some second hand items are available (subject to availability). Enquire with the uniform coordinator.

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 15th January (1pm-4pm)
Sun 23rd January (1-5pm)
Tues 25th January (4pm-7pm)
At 2 Panorama Ave, Highett

Please be aware of our covid safe practices. Please social distance, wear a mask and do not attend if you are feeling unwell.

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: Please sign in to QR codes at venues. COVID-19 procedures must be followed by all teams that wish to train. COVID-19 training requirements (including vaccination requirements) are changing frequently, please keep up to date with these requirements via club emails and through the news section of the club website.

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.

Please ensure that all smaller children/siblings attending training are supervised at all times and that the court is left clean.

For any accidents that occur at training please notify the club by emailing administration@sharksbasketball.org.au.

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 training queries please contact Richard training@sharksbasketballclub.org.au

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 & Mentone Girls SC
Thursday	U10 Girls	Tulip Street Sandringham & Mentone Girls SC
	U10 Boys	Tulip Street Sandringham
Friday	U8 Girls	Tulip Street Sandringham & Cheltenham SC
	U8 Boys	Tulip Street Sandringham & Cheltenham SC
	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

COVID-19 requirements for start of Autumn Season

COVID-19 requirements in relation to 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.

Fixtures

Can be viewed via the SBA website (please make sure you are looking at the correct season) at Southern Basketball Association

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.

NOTE: Due to unpredictable Covid disruptions many junior teams had forfeits and fixture changes. Please *always* check the fixture for your team and get the message out to your teams.

Grading

Grading of teams (except for u 8 and u9) will occur during the first 4 weeks of the season. Visit SBA-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 Wendy at administration@sharksbasketballclub.org.au prior to the game.
- If teams are using fill-in players during the grading phase, the Team Manager MUST advise Wendy at administration@sharksbasketballclub.org.au prior to the game.

If your team has an issue with grading please communicate this issue **during week 2-3 of grading** to your age group coordinator and Wendy at administration@sharksbasketballclub.org.au. Once the grading phase is complete (or near complete) it becomes very difficult to manage grading issues with the SBA.

Ball Sizes

The following ball sizes are used in line with Basketball Victoria guidelines:

Size 5 will be used for the U8, U9, U10 and 12 competitions (beginning Autumn 2022)
Size 6 U14 boys, U14 girls and above
Size 7 U16 boys and above

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.

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 Malcolm at coaching@sharksbasketballclub.org.au

It is now an SBA requirement that ALL coaches complete a Community Coaching Course at a minimum

The Community Coaching Course (2 hours) is conducted by the SBA and/or Basketball Victoria. To register for one of these courses please go to the SBA website HERE

The Sharks will refund for all coaches to attend this course. For a refund please send your details and proof of payment to Kathy at treasurer@sharksbasketballclub.org.au

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

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 administration@sharksbasketballclub.org.au

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.

Fixtures can be found on the SBA website here
Many teams form group chats on apps such as team app, whats app or heja.

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

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/Sport Integrity Australia - 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

4. Coaches: please add your Community Coaching Course accreditation.

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 the Club at administration@sharksbasketballclub.org.au 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 Wendy on administration@sharksbasketballclub.org.au ASAP so we can alert the SBA and your opposition.

*If forfeiting with late notice ie day of game/ late night before scheduled game DUE TO HEALTH DEPT. COVID ISOLATION REQUIREMENTS please call the Stadium **03 9583 4481** to alert the SBA, the referees and other team as soon as possible.*

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.

Please ensure bibs are returned to the Sharks washing tub to be laundered and not reused as per Covid safe practices.

Entry into Stadiums

The SBA has a $4 charge on game days for entry into stadiums. Or you can purchase an e-card on Team App for $25 further information here. Spring 2021 cards will roll over to the Autumn season.

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 Southern Basketball Association. 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 administration@sharksbasketballclub.org.au. 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.

All Club volunteers must familiarise themselves with the Club's Child Safety statement and policies found HERE. 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.

Member and officials must discuss any concerns they may have about the welfare of a child immediately. Please report these concerns to Wendy at administration@sharksbasketballclub.org.au or Angie at president@sharksbasketballclub.org.au

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 Southern Basketball Social Media Policy

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.

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