

Player Information Pack

Juniors – Girls and Boys





Welcome to our Club

Our club was incorporated in January 2014 by a group of people who love soccer and love Victoria Park.

Vic Park SC offers a fun, vibrant and inclusive environment for **girls and boys** to enjoy soccer. We are focused on ensuring opportunity for all our members regardless of skill or experience. We are fundamentally a Community Club.

Based at Harold Rossiter Park, we are heavily immersed in the local community. Sharing our facilities with dog walkers, personal trainers, bird enthusiasts and many more, we thrive on the engagement and inclusion of our neighbourhood.

We are also extremely proud to be one of only 8 teams in WA participating in the iLeague Inclusion Football League. The league, supported by Football West and Inclusion Solutions, offers social inclusion and development for kids aged 8-12.

Vic Park SC is an extremely diverse club, with many cultures mixing through the shared passion of soccer. We actively encourage diversity of thought and social equality to make the Club a true community-focused venue for all.

Club Committee				
Role	Name	Contact		
President	Sharmain Sands	president@vicparksc.com		
Vice President	Sonja Jovovic	vicepresident@vicparksc.com		
Secretary	Alex Ferguson	Secretary@vicparksc.com Info@vicparksc.com		
Treasurer	Darragh Horan	treasurer@vicparksc.com		
General Member	Navina Goericke			
General Member	Sarah Cook			



Club values

Passion: for the game of football, for our club and for our jersey.

Accountability: whether we're shutting down an opposition player, delivering on a commitment made to a sponsor, or ensuring our members' funds are managed professionally we will always be accountable.

Teamwork: on-field and off, we recognise that nothing great is achieved acting alone. We will always look to support and encourage one another.

Community: we will act as responsible members of our local Community and of a worldwide community that shares our passion for football.

Fair Play: we will always compete hard but we will do so within the rules of the game and within the spirit of the rules.

Equality: we will treat all members, players, competitors, and spectators as equals.

Respect: we will show respect for each other, for officials, and for our competitors.

Discipline: we will show discipline on the training track, in the way we play and in the way in which we manage the business of the club.

Location

Vic Park SC is located at Harold Rossiter Park, Etwell Street, Kensington.

The grounds offer junior pitches, senior pitches, clubroom with bar and canteen services and changing facilities. There is also a kid's playground next to our main pitch.

Parking is available at the clubrooms and the location is convenient for public transport due to the bus route on Kent Street.



We acknowledge the Whadjuk Noongar people as the traditional custodians of the land on which we play. We pay our respects to Elders past, present, and emerging.



What we offer

Vic Park SC offers a fun, vibrant and inclusive environment for **boys and girls** to enjoy soccer. We are focused on ensuring opportunity and for all our members regardless of skill or experience, we are fundamentally a **Community Club**.

We are also extremely pleased and proud to be one of only 8 teams in WA participating in the **United Reds Inclusion Football League**. The league, supported by the Manchester United Foundation, Football West and Inclusion Solutions, offers social inclusion and development for kids aged 8-13.

We guarantee all our junior members game time, development, and a sense of community.

Miniroos / Juniors is available for all kids turning 5 to 14 by December 31st, 2023.

Season 2024 Teams

iLeague

Under 6

Under 7

Under 8

Under 9

Under10

Under12

Under 13 (NEW in 2023)

Registration and membership

Every player, coach and key volunteer must register through the Play Football website: **Playfootball.com.au**

2024 season fees, fully inclusive, are presented below:

Team	Membership Fee
iLeague and U5 to U10	\$250
U12 to U13	\$300



Membership fees can be paid by:

- **1.** Through Playfootball.com.au when completing the registration process
- 2. Manual payment in cash/cheque
- 3. (Preferred Method) Through bank transfer: (use player name as reference) Account Name: Victoria Park Soccer Club BSB: 016-263. A/C: 288124298

Membership includes:

- Pre-season training
- In-season training sessions and games
- iLeague, U6 & U7 Player Pack: Shorts, socks, and a match day shirt
- U8 to U13 Player Pack:
 Shorts, socks, and a training top
- Match day shirts will be provided for ages U8 to U13 but must be returned to the Club at the end of the season
- Club events, including end of season awards
- All equipment is provided, but we ask you to provide shin pads and boots.
 Note that shin pads are mandatory for both training and match day games.

^{*} Miniroos girls can be 1 year older than is noted above



Training and games

Item	Day	Times
Training	Tuesday and Thursday*	5pm to 6pm*
Games	Sunday	Between 8am and 11am

^{*} The training schedule for 2024 provided above is indicative only. Days and times will be finalised, in conjunction with Coaches, prior to the start of pre-season.

Training is not mandatory, but highly encouraged. While all players will always be afforded game time, extensive absence from training may result in reduced playing time on the weekend games.

The games formats vary, and modified rules are in place for Miniroos/Junior football. A summary is provided below:

Team	Game Format	
iLeague	Cluster approach with no fixed format.	
U6 and U7	Cluster format. 4 aside games with teams selected on the day. 3 \times 14minute games	
U8 and U9	7 aside with 3 x 20minute halves	
U10 and U12	9 aside with 2 x 25minute halves	
U13	11 aside with 2 x 30minute halves	

Note: All games are home and away, and therefore travel within a reasonable distance is to be expected.





Season timetable

The exact dates will be confirmed once Football West fixtures are published. However, the below table provides indicative timing for the 2023 season.

Item	Timing	
Pre-Season Commences	February 2024	
Season Commences	April 2024	
Season Concludes	September 2024	

Team allocation and selection

Vic Park SC operates under the football West framework and as such age-based allocation is defined by calendar year and *not* school year. Therefore, while we will always try to be accommodating, there is a possibility that kids may be separated from their school-year friends.

The option to play up an age bracket is at the full discretion of the Club and based on numerous factors such as squad capacity and player capability.

To ensure adequate game time for all playing members, we operate to a fixed cap for each age group. The caps for season 2023 are shown below, but please note that **more than one team can be entered for groups U8+**

Team	On the Pitch	Subs	Max. Team Size
U5/6	4	4	20*
U7	4	N/A	20*
iLeague	Not capped	N/A	Not capped
U8	7	4	11
U9	7	4	11
U10	9	5	14
U12	9	5	14
U14	11	5	16

^{*} U5/6 & 7 is total squad number and teams are created on match day (cluster event structure)

Please reference our Team Selection Procedure for further clarity.



Expectations and conduct

Vision

To provide a focal point for social, sporting, and community interaction that encourages a
passion for health, family, and self-development.

Code of Conduct - Summary

- All people and parties involved in the Club are to endorse, uphold, demonstrate, support, and encourage the application of the Club's Values both on and off the field, in the wider community and public forums including social media.
- At all times we will follow the spirit of the game and uphold high standards of discipline and fair play.
- It is of paramount importance that we respect officials and their decisions.
- We will welcome all visitors to our pitch and Club rooms.
- We acknowledge that the actions of all our Club players, members, spectators, and associates – contribute to how we are perceived and the environment we create for each of us. We will encourage all of our Club to uphold our values and this Code of Conduct to create a Club which is well respected, we are proud of, and environment we enjoy and feel welcome and safe within.
- Aggressive or threatening behaviour will not be tolerated.
- Significant or repeated breaches will lead to disciplinary action which may include suspension or ejection from the club.
- At all times we will be guided by our Vision and Values.

When enjoying junior soccer please keep these 5 simple rules in mind:

- 1. This is a game
- 2. These are children
- 3. The coaches are volunteers
- 4. Referees are human
- 5. Mistakes will happen



Volunteering

We are always seeking passionate volunteers to help support our community-focused Club in 2024. Volunteers are the lifeblood of the Club and without them we cannot be successful.

We recognise that not everyone is able to donate their time, but we welcome all and any offers of support to help deliver a fun and structured experience to all our members.

Please consider how you may be able to help support our great Club, it is hugely fun and rewarding to participate in the kids social growth and skill development.



