



CODES OF CONDUCT

Purpose

To ensure that all players, members, spectators, officials and volunteers have a very clear understanding of the behaviour that is expected from everyone and to make it clearly understood that breaches of these codes will result in disciplinary action.

PLAYERS are required to:

- Parents / guardians to ensure young players understand the requirements of this policy
- Respect the rights, dignity and worth of every person regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background or religion
- Display good sporting behaviour at all times
- Never use offensive language or behaviour towards anyone or engage in sledging or bullying of any person
- Co-operate with your coach and team members
- Never behave in a manner that would damage the reputation of the club either on or off the field
- Make a commitment to attend training and games on time. Inform the coach if you are unable to attend giving as much notice as possible
- Respect the coach and other team members including opposition coaches and players
- Negative behaviour will not be tolerated
- Play by the rules and respect the umpire's decisions. The umpire's decision is final and must be respected.
- Never approach a LYVNA committee member or game umpire regarding any issues, especially during game day; e.g. umpiring standards, other clubs behaviour etc.
- Adhere to and support the club policies.

VOLUNTEERS and SPECTATORS are required to:

- Act as good role models and ambassadors for the club at all times
- Always welcome opposition players, spectators, officials etc to the club
- Never use offensive language or behaviour
- Treat everyone including the opposition with respect regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background or religion
- Display consistently high standards of good sporting behaviour including respecting the official's decisions
- The umpire's decision is final. All umpires give their time and effort for your child's enjoyment
- Adhere to and support the Club policies
- Focus upon the child's efforts and performance rather than the overall outcome of the game. Remember that children learn best from example
- Never ridicule or yell at a child for a mistake or losing a game
- Recognise the value and importance of volunteer coaches. They give their time and resources to provide recreational activities for your child and deserve your support
- Please do not coach your child from the sidelines, as it only confuses them

Codes of Conduct (cont'd)

- Please avoid interrupting the coach whilst they are addressing the team
- Never approach a Lillydale and Yarra Valley Netball Association (“LYVNA”) committee member or game umpire regarding any issues, especially during game day; e.g. umpiring standards, other clubs behaviour etc
- Please refrain from speaking directly to Committee members, unless urgent circumstances exist, especially on competition day as this is a very busy time. A number of our committee members are also coaches therefore interruptions make things extremely difficult. If the matter is not an urgent issue, it is preferable to send an email to the Club detailing your issue (montrosenetballclub@gmail.com). All emails will be promptly attended to
- Please also avoid contacting Committee members via personal mobile / home phones
- Adhere to and support the club policies.

COACHES are required to:

- Respect the rights, dignity and worth of every person regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background or religion
- Support, encourage and involve all players regardless of their ability
- Never ridicule or yell at players for errors or poor performance
- Always consider the wellbeing and safety of participants
- Encourage participants to value their performances and not just results
- Maintain respectful and appropriate relationships with all participants
- Ensure all activities are appropriate to the age, ability and experience of participants
- Promote the positive aspects of the sport (e.g. fair play)
- Display consistently high standards of good sporting behaviour and appearance
- Follow all guidelines laid down by the LYVNA and the Club
- Hold a current Working With Children Check before commencing to coach
- Never use offensive language or behaviour
- To act as a role model at all times
- A coach is not an official Committee position
- Always respect the official’s decision and support them to carry out their role. The umpire’s decision is final and must be respected
- Never approach a LYVNA committee member or game umpire regarding any issues, especially during game day; e.g. umpiring standards, other clubs behaviour etc.
- Adhere to and support the club policies.

UMPIRES are required to:

- Respect the rights, dignity and worth of every person regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background or religion
- Display consistently high standards of good sporting behaviour and appearance
- Follow all guidelines laid down by the LYVNA and the Club
- Hold a current Working With Children Check before commencing to umpire
- Never use offensive language or behaviour
- To act as a role model at all times
- An umpire is not an official committee position
- Adhere to and support the club policies.

Next Policy Review Date: April 2019