FAQs

Who is the Donnybrook Dragons Basketball Club?

Donnybrook Dragons basketball club was established in 2024 aiming to develop sporting skills of children under 18 years-old through basketball. The club is an incorporated association in Victoria and is operating as not-for-profit.

How is the Donnybrook Dragons governed?

The club is administered by a committee of volunteers. We hold annual general meetings, and all the members are invited one month before the scheduled date to attend. We report our financial statements to the state government of Victoria at the end of each financial year.

Do the staff of Dragons committee get paid?

No, they all are working as dedicated volunteers. They have true interest in supporting children through sports.

Do the coaches and team managers of Dragons get paid?

No, they are also working as dedicated volunteers to the club. They have genuine interest in supporting our children to develop their sporting skills.

How does the club collect revenue to operate?

The major source of funding for the club has been through the membership fee. Also, the club is financially supported by generous sponsors and community grants although it is quite challenging to secure funding from these external sources considering it as a consistent cash flow. Therefore, we always encourage our members to talk to the club's committee if you come across any potential sponsors.

Should membership be renewed?

Yes, the club membership during the registration is only for the season your child gets enrolled in. Registrations do not automatically roll over to the next season. Once the current season concludes, the club will announce details for the upcoming season and share the new

registration link as soon as it becomes available from CBA.

Are the venues for training offered to the club free?

No, the cost of hiring basketball courts is our largest expense. The budget depends on the number of teams we facilitate, and it has been projected to amount to a cost of around $10,000 for the summer season 2026-27.

How does the club communicate with its members?

We communicate information through our official email as well as via SMS. Also, each team has its own WhatsApp group where team specific information is regularly posted. In addition, we post important updates on our Facebook page. Please vit and follow: https://www.facebook.com/DonnybrookDragonsBasketballClub/

What should I bring with my child for the training session?

A water bottle and a basketball. Please reach out to your child's coach or to a member of the club if you are unsure of the size of the basketball suitable for your child's age group.

Should I supervise my child during training and game day?

Yes, parents/guardians have the obligation to supervise their child/children. We expect parents/guardians to be available during sessions.

Should my child wear Dragon's uniform for the training session?

This is optional. Your child could also wear any suitable sports dress.

Will there be training on school holidays?

No, the club does not schedule practice sessions on school holidays.

What is the game day fee?

Game day fees are charged by the Craigieburn basketball association (CBA) to cover the cost of salaries for referees and for venue hire for the games on Saturdays (on Wednesdays for under 18 teams). This is a small weekly fee shared uniformly across the team members.

The game day fee is charged through the teampay app where your child has been registered, and the team manager of each team processes the payment weekly before the Saturday game – often on Friday.

My child becomes sick/unable to attend on the game day – will he/she be still charged?

Yes, because your child is in a team and you have registered your child with the team means you have agreed that the child plays with the team throughout the season. Any significant events or incidents where the child may be unable to play the game would be assessed case by case to determine if there would be a justifiable reason to consider not being charged.

What would happen if my card saved in the teampay app doesn't have sufficient funds for the game day payment?

The team manager is unable to process the game day payment for the entire team. This also adds pressure to the team manager to follow up individuals whose payment could not be processed on time.

How early should the child arrive at the game on Saturdays/Wednesdays?

Our coaches recommend the child should be at the venue of the game at least 15 minutes before the scheduled time of the game. You should be prepared for the possible morning traffic and the challenges in securing a parking spot for your vehicle.

What should I do if my child is unable to attend the game?

It is strongly recommended you have informed the coach so that he/she can make sure the team has enough

players. This is also applicable if your child is unable to attend the practice session – you should still inform your child's coach.

What should I do if the family has planned out of town trips or are going overseas?

Overseas trips missing several games/practice sessions are always discouraged. However, if you have a planned activity and your child is unable to attend, you should inform the coach in advance.

How long is the Summer 2026-27 Season?

From 10 October 2026 to 20 March 2027. School holiday break will be from 14 December 2026 to 30 January 2027.

Will there be an end season presentation day?

Yes, we always celebrate our children's achievements as a club. Special performances will be recognized through awards and certificates. The club invites all our families to the end-of-season presentation with sufficient time in advance and it will be free.