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# THE 2021 SEASON IS HERE!

**Let's go Oakhill - you know the drill!**

The 2021 Netball Season kicks off this week with our NSG teams hitting the court tonight with a fun-filled event. The focus for Friday is **Fun, Fun & more Fun**. There will be face painting, jumping castles, hair braiding and lots of laughing before and after the girls play. Enjoy the night!

Saturday is our opportunity to develop some new Umpires at the BHSNA led Umpiring Gala Day. Oakhill has 5 enthusiastic umpires kicking off their careers as part of "Oakhill Team White" - thank you to the coaches & mentors for rallying the teams & helping support our umpiring development.

**NETSETGO  
FUN NIGHT  
IS BACK!**

Join us this Friday 16th April from  
5:00PM - 8:30PM for a night of fun to  
kick off NSG in 2021!

This season Oakhill is fielding 24 teams with exciting growth in our Junior players and the inclusion of many new faces in our senior line up, as well as on our committee and our coaching line up. We welcome all new members to our Club.

The ODNK committee has been busy working in the background to ensure our season starts with positivity, inclusiveness & FUN. We started with our first ever Open Day to build excitement & enthusiasm for our members & promote our wonderful club to new members. Our Open Day was held at The Centre, Dural, where a number of our teams train.





## 2021 Season update (cont)

The Open Day was a huge success with lots of fun netball activities, hair braiding PLUS the fabulous Paige Hadley, Co-captain of the NSW Swifts also came along to meet our players and run some drills!

We followed on from our successful Term 4 NetSetGo clinics in 2020 with "refresher clinics" for both NSG & introduced for the first time Junior clinics for 10 to 15s. The clinics showcased some basic Netball skills & drills, with the purpose of "introducing" Netball to brand new players OR for our returning members, a chance to dust off the cobwebs after the summer break.



Apart from working on our growth & sustainability, the committee has been refreshing its tools. Website & Email migration, data storage, policies, procedures & general information has been revamped and will continue to evolve. Please visit our website, Facebook page, Insta page & don't forget our preferred communications tool - TeamAPP for all instant messages.

Team grades and playing times are available at:  
[https://www.oakhillnetball.com/?page\\_id=1028](https://www.oakhillnetball.com/?page_id=1028)

The season draw's are now available at:  
<http://bhsna.nsw.netball.com.au/common/pages/public/rv/draw.aspx>

On behalf of the 2021 Committee we extend a warm WELCOME to our new & returning members and we look forward to seeing you all out and around the courts as we return to a normal playing season.

See you at the courts!  
Kim Davis, Club President

Do you have a **suggestion** for the Committee? Please email your ideas/ feedback to Georgina, our Club Secretary, at [secretary@oakhillnetball.com](mailto:secretary@oakhillnetball.com)





# Coaching & NSG update

**Welcome and thank you to all 2021 ODNC Coaches, Assistant Coaches and Managers!**

Each year we rely on volunteers to coach and manage our NetSetGO and junior teams. They volunteer their time and effort so that our girls can play, enjoy and learn the awesome game of netball. We are currently seeking some additional Assistant Coaches this year - this is a great introduction to coaching as you will work with the team coach for the season.

Assistant coaches learn the basics of coaching from the team coach and are involved in both training and games. The teams requiring junior coaches with their training times are as follows:

Team	Coach	Game day	Game time	Training location/Time
8 Green	Kelly Simmons	Friday	6.30pm	ODPS/Tuesday 4pm
9 Green	Kat Silvester	Friday	7.20pm	ODPS/Wednesday 4pm
11D	Courtney Trumper	Saturday	8am	ODPS/Monday 4:15pm
12C Green	Courtney Trumper	Saturday	9am	ODPS/Tuesday 4pm
13D	Gabrielle Caundle	Saturday	10am	ODPS/Wednesday 4:30pm
14C Gold	Saamia Khan	Saturday	8am	ODPS/Thursday 4:15pm

If you would like to start your journey in coaching please email [coaching@oakhillnetball.com](mailto:coaching@oakhillnetball.com). We will provide you with all the help you will need.

Kim Pattison, Coaching Convenor

## Let's talk about Net, Set, GO!

Suncorp NetSetGO is Australia's official starter program for girls and boys aged 7 to 9. It's a chance to learn the netball basics, get outside and make some friends. For a lot of kids, this is the first time they'll pick up a netball or put on a bib. It's a fun learning experience. ODNC have 4 NSG teams this year. The NSG games are all played on Friday night with modified rules to allow for the younger players to establish the foundation skills of netball in a fun environment.



We have one team each in the 7s and 8s age groups and two teams in the 9s age group. A huge thank you to our NSG coaches for 2021 - Kellie, Kat and Julie for coaching the 8s and 9s and I am super excited to be coaching the 7s! These little players are the future of our Club and we can't wait to see them on the courts this season.

Jo Cepak, NSG Registrar



# Committee update

Your Committee has been hard at work in the off-season, ensuring that our Policies and Procedures cover all aspects of member safety and inclusive practice. You can read more about them here - [https://www.oakhillnetball.com/?page\\_id=69](https://www.oakhillnetball.com/?page_id=69)

Did you know that ODNC is an **all-inclusive club**? It is an ongoing goal of our Club Committee to ensure that we provide a **welcoming and inclusive** platform for anyone wanting to play Netball. This season, you will see us progressing forward with a few key initiatives, including:

- A uniform review to ensure that we have options for all players wishing to have an alternative to the traditional-style dress, include a clothing option for boys to be involved in the club in the under 12 years teams.
- A revision of our current Constitution to be more inclusive, easy to read, and relevant to our Members.
- The addition of a Member Protection Policy and two Member Protection Information Officers (Kirsty Newbury and Kati Harrington) available to assist members with concerns or feedback.
- The upcoming addition to the website and club communication templates of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island Flags as well as the Pride Flag, representing our diverse Netball community.
- Translated communications, where possible, for our club members who have English as a second language.
- The use of a \$1000 Netball NSW Club Grant to purchase equipment to ensure that our teams are catering for players of all abilities across all playing grades.

We look forward to updating you on the progress of these important initiatives.

Kirsty Newbury, Vice President

## Stop press! Uniform order update

As you may be aware, there are delays with new uniforms arrival. ODNC committee have been in constant contact with the supplier, and unfortunately all new ODNC dresses will not be arriving until sometime next week.

The Netball Shop will make contact with each of you to notify you of the arrival.

For all NetSetGO players, if you do not have a dress for tonight's game, please speak directly with your coaches and managers to discuss your options.

Our uniform officer currently has a few adult size second-hand dresses available, please contact Nicole direct via email [uniforms@oakhillnetball.com](mailto:uniforms@oakhillnetball.com), if you are interested. Unfortunately, there aren't any child sizes on hand.

If any current families have any ODNC dresses lying around collecting dust, please consider donating them to the club. We are hopeful that all players from next week will be dressed and ready to play in Oakhill Netball colours!

# Thank you to our sponsors!



## Grow your business with Oakhill Drive Netball Club - sponsorships now available!

If you run a business in the Hills District then please consider partnering with us in 2021 – sponsorship starts from just \$200 and we will work hard to promote you to our engaged netball community! There are a number of sponsorship levels with associated promotional benefits for your business. Alternatively, we are happy to discuss any ideas you may have in how you can support our Club.

Please contact our Club Marketing Officer Jo Cepak at [marketing@oakhilnetball.com](mailto:marketing@oakhilnetball.com) or on 0437 045 086.