

BALLINA NETBALL ASSOCIATION - 2026 REPRESENTATIVE PROGRAM

WHAT IS REPRESENTATIVE (REP) NETBALL?

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Each year Ballina Netball Association (BNA) submits one team per age group being Juniors (12s, 13s and 14s) and Seniors (15s, 17s, Opens, U17 Males, Males and All Abilities) to represent the Association at Netball NSW Junior or Senior State Titles. NNSW State Titles is a 3-day event.

Senior State Titles 2026

6th – 8th June 2026 (travel 5th June)

Opens Div 1, 17 U & 15U Divs 1 & 2 - Penrith District Netball Association

Opens Div 2, 17U & 15U Divs 3 & 4 - Baulkham Hills Shire Netball Association

All Abilities – Venue to be confirmed

Males Divisions, 17U and Opens – Baulkham Hills & Penrith (where two divisions are determined within the Male age categories, Divisions may be split across both venues ie Div 1 at Penrith and Div 2 at Baulkham Hills).

Junior State Titles 2026

4th - 6th July 2026 (travel 3rd July)

14U, 13U, 12U Divs 1 & 2 – Campbelltown District Netball Association

14U, 13U, 12U Divs 3 & 4 – Camden & District Netball Association

Male Divisions 14U – Campbelltown & Camden & District

Male Divisions format and days of play for all Male divisions are yet to be determined by NNSW and will be confirmed in December 2025.

State Titles Events

Athletes travel in teams as a group departing Ballina airport on Friday, the day before the State Titles event, and depart for return to Ballina on Monday at the completion of the event.

Athletes will stay together in accommodation near the competition venue and travel to and from the courts in a team bus. Parents are very welcome and encouraged to attend and support the Representative Program in Sydney.

The athletes are accompanied for the entire event by their Team Coach, Team Manager, the Representative Coordinator and two other members of the BNA Committee.

How are players selected for Rep

BNA will call for player Expressions of Interest. This will be advertised on BNA Socials and also emailed to Clubs. Interested players must register their interest. This is done via Play HQ using the link provided. All players nominating for BNA rep teams must attend selection trials. Any athlete unable to attend trials must still register and apply in writing to the Representative Coordinator for consideration and follow the guidelines set out in the BNA Representative Selection Policy. The BNA Executive Committee will review the information provided and determine if the athlete will be considered for selection.

What is involved playing at Representative level

Representing Ballina is an honour and comes with certain expectations. It involves a large commitment due to the time and expense involved. Please take the time to read the information in this document carefully and understand the commitment **before** submitting a nomination.

Full participation in the following is expected:

- Abide by BNA & Netball NSW Codes of Conduct
- Punctually attend weekly team training

- Attend up to 8 local representative carnivals (between March and June) Attend up to 3 out of zone carnivals eg Gold Coast, Brisbane, NSW North Coast
- Payment of representative fees by scheduled dates
- Attendance at Netball NSW State Junior or Senior State Titles in Sydney
- Minimum of 10 Work for Your Association Hours (WFYA) throughout the Saturday Winter Competition 2026 eg canteen, clubhouse or coaching.
- Junior State Titles and Senior State Titles (U15, U17 and mens teams athletes must play with an affiliated club or team in the Ballina Netball Association Winter Competition in the year of representative competition.
- Senior State Titles Opens teams, athletes must play in the Ballina Netball Indoor competition during term 1 and 2, or in the Ballina Netball Winter Competition in the year of competition.
- Regional League team athletes must play in the Ballina Netball Indoor competition during term 1 or in the Ballina Netball Winter Competition in the year of competition.

Code of Conduct

All participants including athletes, coaches and managers are representing BNA. All participants are expected to abide by BNA and Netball NSW Codes of Conduct. Players are asked to read, understand and sign a commitment to meet these expectations. Participants whose actions do not meet the standard required may forfeit their position on the team.

2026 Rep fees

Representative fees for the 2026 BNA Rep Program are \$1,300 per player. If successful and offered a position, a non-refundable deposit of \$100 is payable within 5 days to secure your position. The remaining fees will then be due as follows:

\$400 28th February 2026

\$400 31st March 2026

\$400 30th April 2026

If you opt to pay fees in full, a discount of \$100 will be applied to each athlete. To be eligible, \$1,200 must be paid upon acceptance of, and within 5 days of offer of position.

What is included in the representative fees

- Flight to State Titles in Sydney
- All bus transfers within Sydney Metro to/from airport, accommodation and State Titles venues
- Accommodation and meals during the State Titles (3 nights)
- Meals and snacks in the athlete tent during the State Titles event (3 days)
- BNA Rep training shirt
- Weekly Coaching/Training sessions
- Local Carnivals' registration (held on Sundays between March and June)
- Out of Zone Carnivals (held on Sundays between March and June)
- BNA Representative Awards Presentation (held in August 2026)

Additional costs include:

- Uniform - compulsory (BNA dress, BNA jacket and BNA white socks)
- Uniform - optional (BNA hoodie, training pants, trackie pants, BNA beanie, BNA visor, BNA hat, scarf etc)
- Meals (day of travel to/from State Titles)
- Personal incidental costs inclusive of food and travel at weekly Rep Carnivals (held on Sundays)
- Personal/family travel, accommodation costs and expenses if travelling to Sydney for State Titles

Summary of 2025 Costs

Carnivals (entry fees, umpires) 7%
Uniforms (players, coaches, managers etc) 6%
Equipment and First Aid 2%
State Titles (accommodation, travel, meals, venue hire) 80%
Rep presentation (meals, trophies, gifts) 5%

Rep Fundraising

Expressions of Interest for a parent fundraising coordinator will be sought once teams are selected. Subject to this position being filled, there will be an opportunity for players to participate in fundraising activities to assist with reducing the cost of their child's individual representative fees. Fundraising activities will be authorised by BNA but the onus is on players and families to get involved if you wish to reap the benefits of fund-raising.

Player Selection Trials

All players nominating for BNA representative teams are expected to attend **both** selection trials. If you cannot attend, you must still register an Expression of Interest and follow the guidelines in the BNA Rep Selection Policy.

TRIAL 1 - Sunday 26th October 2025

Seniors 8am – 10am
Juniors 10.30am – 12.30pm

TRIAL 2 - Saturday 1st November 2025

Seniors 8am – 10am
Juniors 10.30am – 12.30pm

Trials will take place at Ballina Netball Association courts, Owen Street, Ballina.

Note: trial dates may be subject to change due to matters out of our control.

- No costs are associated with trialling
- Players are required to arrive 20 mins prior to trial session for registration and warm up
- All players are asked to wear a plain white t-shirt, shorts and appropriate footwear
- Players are asked NOT to wear Representative or Club uniform
- Please remove all jewellery and ensure hair is tied back
- Please bring a drink bottle and towel
- Please apply sunscreen and any strapping prior to arrival
- Please bring any personal medication eg asthma inhaler

Please refer to the BNA Representative Selection Policy for eligibility and application criteria. The Policy can be viewed on the BNA website or by following the link below:

[Representative-Selection-Policy-V6.0-adopted-August-2025-1-1.pdf](#)