

BALLINA NETBALL ASSOCIATION - 2027 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. NSW State Titles is a 3-day event.

Senior State Titles 2027

12th – 14th June 2026 (travel 11th June)

Opens Div 1, 17 U & 15U Divs 1 & 2 - Baulkham Hills Shire Netball

Association Opens Div 2, 17U & 15U Divs 3 & 4 - Camden and District

Netball Association All Abilities – Venue to be confirmed

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

Junior State Titles 2027

3rd - 5th July 2026 (travel 2nd July)

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

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

Male Divisions 14U – Camden and District Netball Association

Male Divisions: The format and days of play for all Male divisions are yet to be confirmed. These dates will be confirmed after the 2026 November Council Meeting.

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 on the bus at the completion of the event.

Athletes will stay together in accommodation near the competition venue and travel to and from the courts. 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 Google doc or Playhq 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 on Tuesdays from 5pm – 7pm
- 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 4 (2026) to term 2 (2027) 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.

2027 Rep fees

Representative fees for the 2027 BNA Rep Program are between \$1,200 to \$1,400 per player (this will be confirmed by incoming committee). 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:

First Installment of \$400 29th February 2027

Second Installment of \$400 2nd April 2027

Final payment by the 30th April 2027

What is included in the representative fees

- Flight to State Titles from Ballina to Sydney
- Transport TBA whilst in Sydney
- Bus from state titles Sydney to Ballina
- 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 sessions on Tuesdays from 5pm-7pm
- Voluntary strength and conditioning programs on Thursdays
- 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 2027)

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 2027 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 for 13s – Opens and for 12s there will be 3 squad training sessions as well as the trials that you will need to attend. If you cannot attend, you must still register an Expression of Interest and follow the guidelines in the BNA Rep Selection Policy.

UNDER 12S**Squad training**

13th October

15th October

20th October

UNDER 12S - OPENS

TRIAL 1 – Saturday 17th October 2026

Seniors 8am – 10am

Juniors 10.30am – 12.30pm

TRIAL 2 – Saturday 24th October 2026

Seniors 8am – 10am

Juniors 10.30am – 12.30pm

REGIONAL LEAGUE

TRIAL 1 – Sunday 18th October 2026

9am – 11am

TRIAL 2 – Sunday 25th October 2026

9am – 11am

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.

[https://ballinanetball.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2026/08/Representative-Selection-Policy-V7.0-adapted-August-2026 .pdf](https://ballinanetball.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2026/08/Representative-Selection-Policy-V7.0-adapted-August-2026.pdf)