



2019 NPL Junior Boys Information



MANNINGHAM UNITED BLUES FC

Manningham United Blues FC is entering the NPL model for season 2019 for the first time. A successful Football Club in the South East of Melbourne, we recognise the challenges ahead and we commit to ensuring we offer an affordable alternative that fits into our demographic, develop and nurture talent through a strong Football Program modelled on the FFA curriculum, delivered by quality coaches.

Manningham United Blues FC has been part of the soccer landscape in the Manningham district since it was established in 1999. After humble beginnings with only three junior teams, the club originally known as Manningham Juniors Soccer Club would never have imagined the growth of the club. In 2015 Manningham United merged with Fawkner Blues SC, (who were founded in 1965), which enabled our senior and reserve men to compete in State League 1 South East division. This year has been an exciting season for our club winning promotion to NPL 2 after our Senior team won the South East State 1 League, as did our U/18A's and our U/16A's.

The club has been able to read the changing trends within the football world and adapt to meet the needs of its members. Our club is dedicated to the pursuit of fair play and thrives on a strict code of behaviour. We believe it is vital that everyone involved in sporting activities, whether they are players, officials or supporters understand their responsibilities to ensure that all participants enjoy the sport.

MUBFC's purpose is to provide a progressive environment that encourages Manningham players to reach, fulfil and succeed their potential. We have developed a great reputation in the football community and all members and visiting clubs enjoy our club's atmosphere and facilities.

Our Technical Director – Perry Bircham

Let me start by saying thank you to Manningham United Blues FC for the opportunity to take on the role of Technical Director in our inaugural year in NPL. Trusting me to continue implementing my overall philosophy.



We know that young players love the game just as much as previous generations. With so many mediums available to them it's now vital that we let them play! I've always believed that the game itself is the best educator, but quality coaching is essential. Our coaches are asked to remember what it was like to be a player.

There is no secret formula to producing quality or fulfilling potential. Players need to work hard, want to achieve and as much as possible have a ball at their feet. Ball mastery and productive possession is fundamental.

We know that players respond better and develop quicker in an environment where they

can play with less fear of failure and constant criticism. Training won't be continually stopped for "lecturing". The players won't be over coached.

Our experienced coaches are selected for their expertise to suit certain age groups.

Foundation	-	Development	-	Performance
12 - 13		14 - 16		18+

As with the players who love the game, our coaches love to coach. Their ultimate reward is seeing the progress and enjoyment of their players, knowing that they have had an impact on this.

Our coaches will be strongly influenced by the FFA curriculum.

- The players will be exposed to various ways of playing individually and collectively.
- Position rotation, especially in foundation and development gives a greater understanding of the game.
- Players will be challenged, motivated and continually engaged by their coaches.
- Learning to sense and react, adapt and problem solve are all necessary but enjoying the whole process is the most important.

As well as being a coach and a player for many years in Australia and Europe, I have been a dad of 3 players who have gone through junior/youth and into senior football. This gives me an insight into how a player feels and is influenced by their coach, parents'/guardians' expectations and balance needed between demands of everyday life and sport.

All young players have individual rates of development and growth – physical and psychological - within a season.

MUBFC is very aware of players "dropping out", "burn out" and appreciating why they leave the game. We will endeavour to address this problem by putting an emphasis on quality training rather than quantity.

MUBFC's belief in my "system" has been rewarded by the Junior club's success this year, notably 15s finishing second, 16s State Champions and 18s League Champions.

The Club and the committee are looking forward to season 2019 and hope you and your child are part of this journey.

Best Wishes

Perry Bircham

Technical Director

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INFORMATION

MUBFC 2019 Program

- Training – 10 sessions per month
- All correspondence through Team App
- Only official MUBFC playing gear can be worn to matches.
- Away kit to be worn at training.
- The sessions will be conducted at one of our venues, Park Reserve, Timber Ridge Reserve and Wilsons Reserve.
- Training days and times will be provided once the teams are selected, however may change due to ground availability, weather and coaches commitments. Training is compulsory, however special dispensation may be granted on some circumstances but must be approved by the team coach and or Technical Director.

PLAYERS KIT 2019

- Home kit
- Away kit
- Polo shirt
- Spray jacket
- Tracksuit
- MUBFC Sports Bag



FEES

- U12's = \$1,350.00 (inclusive)
- U13's to U18's = \$1,500 (inclusive)

FEE PAYMENT DATES

- Existing players that are retained must pay a 50% **non-refundable** deposit within 7 days of receiving their offer.
- Successful trial players will pay 50% **non-refundable** deposit within 3 days of receiving their offer.
- The balance of the fee must be paid 4 weeks before the first game of the season, Friday 1st February 2019. Balance of fees are also **non-refundable**.
- Unless full payment is made as per the previous point, players will not be able to train, receive kits or play matches.

SQUAD SIZES

Squad sizes can vary;

U/12 2 x 13 Player Squads (Total of 26 Players)

U/13 – 18 20 Player Squads, including 2 Goal
Keepers

MATCH DAY

The Player Rotation Policy will apply for season 2019.



GAME TIME & RECORD KEEPING

- U12 - U16 players during the season will receive a minimum of 50% game time from the games they are available to play. Game time only applies if players performance, fitness, attitude, overall professionalism is high and there is acceptable training attendance.
- If there are school events &/or special family occasions and you cannot make training, please advise the team manager ASAP.
- If you are going on a holiday, the team manager is to be advised of the dates you will be away on leave as soon as possible.
- If a player is injured and injury permitted, the player is still required at training & on match days.
- The rotation roster will not be adjusted for holidays, injury or sickness.

RED CARDS

Any penalty to the club arising from a Red Card will be invoiced to the player concerned. The club will not pay player misconduct fines.

TRIALS

Please take note of the following key information to assist you in participating;

- The trials will cover the boys age groups U12-U18 only
- **Players must arrive 30 minutes before the trial start time** and report to the registration desk.
- Players should keep attending **all trials** until notified otherwise via email.
- Successful & unsuccessful trial notification will only be made via email.
- All players must register to trial in their year of birth age group.
<https://goo.gl/forms/EI7cOV05pfr8Gwqx2>

Trial dates and times are listed below:

Venue	Session 1	Session 2	Session 3	Session 4
	Park Avenue	Knox Regional Soccer Centre	Park Avenue	Park Avenue
U12	Fri, 5th Oct 2018 6:00pm - 7:00pm	Wed, 10th Oct 2018 6:00pm - 7:00pm	Fri, 12th Oct 2018 6:00pm - 7:00pm	Fri, 19th Oct 2018 6:00pm - 7:00pm
U13	Fri, 5th Oct 2018 7:15pm - 8:15pm	Wed, 10th Oct 2018 7:15pm - 8:15pm	Fri, 12th Oct 2018 7:15pm - 8:15pm	Fri, 19th Oct 2018 7:15pm - 8:15pm
U14	Sat, 6th Oct 2018 11:15am - 12:15pm	Thu, 11th Oct 2018 6:00pm - 7:00pm	Sat, 13th Oct 2018 11:15am - 12:15pm	Sat, 20th Oct 2018 11:15am - 12:15pm
U15	Sat, 6th Oct 2018 12:30pm - 1:30pm	Thu, 11th Oct 2018 7:15pm - 8:15pm	Sat, 13th Oct 2018 12:30pm - 1:30pm	Sat, 20th Oct 2018 12:30pm - 1:30pm
U16	Sat, 6th Oct 2018 1:45pm - 2:45pm	Thu, 11th Oct 2018 8:30pm - 9:30pm	Sat, 13th Oct 2018 1:45pm - 2:45pm	Sat, 20th Oct 2018 1:45pm - 2:45pm
U18	Sat, 6th Oct 2018 3:00pm - 4:00pm	Wed, 10th Oct 2018 8:30pm - 9:30pm	Sat, 13th Oct 2018 3:00pm - 4:00pm	Sat, 20th Oct 2018 3:00pm - 4:00pm

[Park Avenue Reserve](#) - Park Ave, Doncaster VIC 3108

[Knox Regional Football Centre](#) - 257 George St, Wantirna South VIC 3152.

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<https://www.facebook.com/ManninghamUnitedBluesFC/>

We look forward to welcoming you and your son at MUBFC trial sessions.