



## WELCOME TO BROOKVALE FC!

**Mixed U6 & U7 and W7 Girls** football is focused on fun and engaging small sided (4 v 4) games on mini-fields (20 m x 30 m). The aim is to introduce children to football and to develop their skills in the 3 key areas of the game:

- Running with the ball
- Striking the ball
- 1 v 1

Mixed Teams (boys and girls) are referred to as U6/ U7 and play on Saturdays

Girls only Teams are referred to as W7 and play on Sundays (there is no girls-only comp in the U6s)

More details on the playing format and rules for U6/U7/W7 football can be found [here](#).

### FORMAT

- An U6/U7/W7 team is made up of a squad of 12-13 players, with a Coach and Manager (both are usually parent volunteers). Training is approximately 1 hour during the week – sometime between 3.30 and 5.30pm Monday to Friday.
- Games are on Saturday mornings for U6/U7 (boys and girls) teams or Sunday mornings for Girls W7 teams. Each game is 2 x 20min halves with a 5 min break.
- Once the MWFA has entered all teams into the competition, usually mid-March, they will publish the fixtures on [Dribl](#). Your Manager will also update you weekly about time and location of the game
- For the games, the squad is evenly split (eg 6-7 players each) and two games are played concurrently. This is to ensure that each player gets enough game time. More details on the playing format and rules for U6, U7 and W7 football can be found [here](#).
- Each week, the home team is required to provide a Game Leader (referee) whose role is to focus on fun and fair play (rather than strict refereeing), ensuring smooth play, explaining rules, and encouraging participation. The Game Leader is usually a parent volunteer, but can also be a sibling, friend or supporter of the team

### FAQ

#### What Age Group do we register for?

For the 2026 Season, U6 players are born in 2020 or 2021 (they must turn 5 during the 2026 season). This age group is for children starting Kindy in 2026

U7/W7 are children born in 2019. Mostly children starting Year 1 in 2026

#### Can I use an Active Kids Voucher?

Yes. To use your \$50 Active Kids Voucher (school aged children only) first obtain it from [Service NSW](#). Once you have received your voucher, simply use the voucher details when completing the payment page (make sure you enter the number without spaces!)



**My U7 daughter wants to play in her old Mixed team but also wants to try the Girls only competition. Can she play for both?**

Yes. We allow 'Dual Registrations' for girls wishing to play in both the mixed and the girls-only comp. In that case, please register for the Mixed competition in Playfootball and email the Registrar with details of the Mixed Team as well as the Girls team they wish to play in. An additional fee will apply (approx. \$30 for this age group payable to the club)

**My child's friend is older, can they play in our team?**

No, players cannot play 'down' in a younger age group. Players can play 'up' in an older age group with their older friends but we encourage all players to play with and against peers of their own age

**Can my child play with his friends in the same team?**

We try as much as possible to keep friends together in a team so please make sure to mention their names when you register. As children develop and hone their skills, they might want to play in more competitive teams but typically, we don't 'Grade' players until they are in the U9s. Once they enter the U9s we have trials for our competitive or Division 1 teams, but grading is not compulsory and friends can continue to play together in the lower and social divisions

**We have a team already, can we all register together?**

All registrations are on an individual basis but if you already have a team (or an almost full team), please email the Age Coordinator to let them know the names of the players and also mention the names of the team mates when you register

**My child doesn't have a team, can they join anyway?**

Of course! If they know any other children with the club (daycare buddies, neighbours, cousins etc), simply add their name to the Additional Questions fields when you register. If they don't know anyone else, just make sure to add the name of the school they attend and we will try and find a team with kids from the same school

**Do I need to buy a player kit?**

Your club shirt, shorts and socks are included in the fees and for the 6s & 7s we also provide a free ball and training bag. We will have an Orientation Day late March where the coaches will receive their Coach bags (training gear) and the players kits so they will hand those out to the players then. All players must wear soccer boots (with studs) and shinpads so please make sure you have those before the season starts.

**When does the season start?**

The 2026 season will start on the weekend of Saturday 11th and Sunday 12th April. The season ends end August. NB this season, there are games scheduled for most weekends of school holidays.

**Where and at what time are the games every week?**

Once the MWFA has entered all teams into the competition, usually mid-March, they will publish the fixtures on [Dribl](#). You can download the app and enter your team name then. Your Manager will also update you weekly about time and location of the game



### How do I find out what else is happening during the season?

We rely on our wonderful Age Coordinators to pass on any messages from the club and the MWFA via whatsapp or email. This includes information about your games, ground closures/ wet weather changes/ gala days etc

- We will keep emails to a minimum, but sometimes you might receive an email via Dribl with news from the Club or important updates from the MWFA
- We have a wonderful community of trades and services so if you're looking for trusted tradies or service providers check them out [here](#) (and if you would like to list your business please let us know!)
- "Like" our [Facebook page](#) to get all sorts of updates from us. We also have a closed [Facebook Noticeboard](#) so make sure to join us there too
- Regularly check our website '[around the grounds' page](#) for news posts and also see our Match Day section for information about the games

### What do I need to do once I've registered?

A lot of work is happening behind the scenes to get registrations approved and teams formed and entered into the competition so don't worry if you have not heard from us for a while. Once most registrations have been received and the Age Coordinators have formed the majority of the teams, they will notify all registered players of their team (usually early March). It is the responsibility of each to team to find a Coach and a Manager (each team must have 1 of each registered and it cannot be the same person)

- Consider putting your hand up as Coach or Manager. Every coach and manager will need to a valid [Working with Children Check](#) (WWCC). These are free and are valid for 5 years, but the process may take a few weeks and for the initial WWCC, they will need to visit a Service NSW centre to verify their ID (once done, future renewals can be done online). Once they have their WWCC, they must register as Coach or Manager [FFA Play Football](#) as well.
- Coaches are encouraged to attend one or more of the workshops and courses the MWFA run every year. More information about those can be found on [their website](#)
- Parents are encouraged to sign up for a Game Leader workshop during the season too. Every week, the Home Team (the team names first in the draw) provides a Game Leader (unofficial referee) to lead the game. This is usually a parent who helps move the game along and encourages fun and fair play. It is more about ensuring smooth play, explaining rules, encouraging participation than strict refereeing for this age group. The MWFA offers several Game Leader workshops throughout the season so please consider attending one of these as they are very informative and useful. Details can be found [here](#)
- Towards the middle of March your Age Coordinator will be in touch with the Coach & Manager to allocate a training slot for your team. For Juniors, we ask all teams to train Monday to Friday between 3.30 and 5.30pm (alternatively, some teams train before school)
- We will have an Orientation Day at the end of March for the teams to meet and collect their team's gear and Coach bag.
- Remember the Age Coordinator and the Club are here to support managers and coaches as much as possible so don't hesitate to reach out!