

FAQ

Ivanhoe Knights Frequently Asked Questions

When do the seasons run?

The EDJBA (Eastern Districts Junior Basketball Association) seasons coincide with school terms: the Winter season runs from April to September; and the Summer season runs from October to March.

What times are the games played?

Games are scheduled on Saturdays at 50 minute intervals from 8:30 am to 9:00 pm. For the younger age groups, U8-U11, approximately 70% of games are morning games, starting between 8:30 – 11:50 am inclusive. For these age groups, it's rare to have a game at 3.10 pm or later, but they do happen. Older age groups (U15 and up) can be expected to play at least 1-3 late games per season, 7:20 pm or later.

Factors that influence the fixturing of games include coaches who also play and coaches who coach multiple teams. To avoid clashes, game times can often go outside of the typical range. Even if this is not applicable to your team, it could be for some of the teams that you play against.

If you regularly have another activity on a Saturday, make a note of it on your registration form so that we can avoid having it clash with your basketball matches. If you are thinking of registering a younger player with another Saturday morning commitment, please consult a committee member.

Where are the games played?

Half of our games are played at our home venues of Ivanhoe East Primary School (SPACE centre) and Banksia Secondary. The away venues farthest away are in Warrandyte, Park Orchards and Box Hill, however the other clubs are closer in and many venues are handy to the Eastern Freeway.

When and where is training held?

Training is one hour per week and is held 5:00 – 9:30 pm Monday to Thursday. We train at Banksia Secondary College, Ivanhoe East Primary School and Ivanhoe Grammar School. Although from time to time we do use other nearby venues.

What are the age groups?

For Winter, the teams are under the ages of 9, 11, 13, 15, 17 and 19 on the 1st of January. For Summer, the teams are under the ages of 8, 10, 12, 14, 16, 18 and 20 on the 1st of July. Those eligible to play U20 in Summer are allowed to play in U19 the previous Winter, even if they are up to 6 months over the U19 cut-off age.

Who coaches the teams?

Our coaches are mainly parents, current players from older teams, or past players. Many of our coaches are young people giving their time to help your children and to learn themselves, and it is important for parents to give them total support.

Who runs the club?

A volunteer committee consisting mostly of parents take on the various tasks required to keep the club running smoothly. We are always looking for more volunteers to share the load.

What if I have never played before?

The EDJBA competition is large enough to cater for all standards and levels of experience. Teams are selected by the club and then graded by the association to ensure that everyone gets placed at an appropriate level.

What if I have come from another club?

If you have played most recently with another EDJBA club in the last three years, you will be required to get a clearance (green card) from your previous club before playing with the Ivanhoe Knights. If you've come from a club outside the association e.g. Coburg or Hawthorn, then no clearance is required.

What does the club expect from players who register for the season?

Players are expected to show commitment to their team by attending training regularly, and turning up reliably for games at least 10 minutes prior to starting time. Apart from illness, injury or an occasional special event, players are expected to be available for all games and training, and to advise their coach and team manager in advance if they cannot play or attend training for any reason.

What commitment is expected from parents/guardians/carers of registered players during the season?

<http://ivanhoeknights.org/resources/how-to-score.htm>

Throughout the season you will be rostered on for scoring duty approximately 2 or 3 times and possibly a third or fourth time if your team makes the finals. This involves collecting the game fee from each player, scoring the game with a parent from the other team and paying the venue manager.

If your coach is under 18 years of age, you may also be required to supervise training the week prior to your registered scoring game. If the coach needs transport to and from training and/or the game, you may also be required to provide a lift during your rostered duty week. Your team manager will advise as to whether that is applicable for your team.

How are the teams selected?

<http://www.ivanhoeknights.org/policies/selection.htm>

When do I need to register and how much does it cost?

<http://www.ivanhoeknights.org/registration/index.htm>

What about a uniform?

<http://www.ivanhoeknights.org/policies/uniforms-and-singlet-numbers.htm>