

Softball Division

SOFTBALL INFORMATION & REGISTRATION - 2023/2024 SEASON

To Carine Softball Players

Welcome to returning players and new players to Carine Cats Softball and to the 2023/2024 summer season of softball. We love to see you all out and enjoying community sport.

Carine Club Fees

Your Carine Club - 2023/24 season registration fees include:

- Team nomination fees
- Club running costs Including (but not limited to) equipment, junior uniform playing top (junior teams only), ground usage fees and end of season trophies.
- Umpiring fees (\$50 per player) This season we are rolling umpiring fees into the registration fees to make collection and redistribution easier for the Team Managers. This is a fairer approach, as all players pay the same amount regardless of affecting factors such as team size and home/away fixturing.

<u>Scorer fees</u> - Payment for accredited scorers (minimum Level 1) is determined on a team-by-team basis and separate from the club registration fees. Your Team Manager will arrange for collection at the start of the season and will also arrange distribution to scorers.

Divisional fees are:

Juniors - U12 & U14 - \$205

Juniors - U16 & U18 - \$215

Seniors(18 years and over) - \$320

State League - \$210

Summer Mens & Womens Masters/Vets - \$260 (Players from 40 years of age or older)

Softball Australia Capitation fee

A capitation fee (covering insurance and association fees) is also required to be paid to Softball Australia as part of the registration process. This is paid once a year and covers you even if you play across two seasons, for example, those playing winter regular season and summer vets competitions.

2023/24 fees are:

Seniors - \$53.00 Juniors - \$28.00 Officials - \$20.50

REGISTRATION PROCESS

As was registration last season, to register to play this season, players will need to complete a 2 Step registration process:

a. Step 1 - Club Fees Payment/Registration

Registration for Carine Softball is now available

Go to Carine Cats website (www.carinecats.com.au) at any time and click on Softball logo

Click on Softball Registration link and click on 'Register Now ' button'

You will be taken to a login page:

- If you are a new member click on 'Sign Up' and complete all details including the 3 declarations. You will then be direct to payment via PayPal using either your PayPal account or a credit card.
- If you are an existing member you will need to login with a login code and password.

To obtain Login click on 'Forgot my Login' and it will be sent to the email address that is on file.

Next click on 'Forgot my Password' enter your email address and Login and you will be sent a link to reset your password. Once you have resent your password press Update.

You will be taken back to 'Existing Player page', add your login and password to the required fields and click 'Login'.

Player information should come up, change or add any information needed.

Then press 'Continue to Register' and this will take you to the declaration page, complete and press proceed. Add the registration amounts for the player grades and press 'Next'

Press the PayPal button for all payments. You can choose to pay with a credit or debit card or if you have a PayPal account choose login. Follow the PayPal directions for payment.

You can now update or add any other changes to your player profile with the login code and password you have at any time during the season.

b. Step 2 - Softball Australia Registration

Please Note: This Registration will be available from 15 August 2023 as RevSport database will be rolled over on 14 August.

All players will need to register with Softball Australia through their RevSport database. Players are required to pay their capitation/insurance fees at the time of this registration.

Once Softball Australia roll over the database you will be able to register for the Summer season. If you register with Carine Cats you will be sent a link from the Softball Registrar to the Softball Australia database registration for Carine Cats.

Player fees can also be paid by the following – please contact Softball Registrar for more information:

- As a direct credit to Carine Cats bank account,
- Cash/cheque via Softball Registrar
- By setting up a Payment Plan

Should any players require adjusted fees (ie FIFO workers or PAY-per-PLAY, More info here) or wish to set up a Payment Plan, they should contact Cheryl Poustie, Softball Registrar directly on 0412 883 194 or 9447 4914 or by email at softballregistrar@carinecats.com.au regarding payment of fees.

For players wishing to play in both a senior and junior team:

- a. there will be a levy payable for the second team. Players will be advised of the levy once they have been allocated to a senior team.
- b. For junior players wishing to play seniors ONLY, the senior fee will apply
- c. Please forward a written request to play in both a junior and senior team or Senior team only to Softball Registrar, Cheryl Poustie at softballregistrar@carinecats.com.au

KIDSPORT

KidSport enables eligible Western Australian children aged 5 to 18 years, whose parents hold a valid Health Care Card or Pensioner Concession Card, to participate in community sport by offering them financial assistance of up to \$300 per calendar year towards club fees. The Kidsport payment goes direct to the registered Kidsport Club participating in the project through their Local Government. Application voucher can be found online under Kidsport website or contact Registrar, Cheryl Poustie.

PRE-SEASON TRAINING/GRADING

Team Nominations for the summer season are lodged in early September. Pre-season training/grading is COMPULSORY for Juniors. Seniors wishing to be considered for playing in a higher grade should endeavour to attend at least 2 sessions. To this end there will be 4 sessions for seniors – 2 mid week sessions and 2 weekend sessions. These sessions also need to be fitted around the Mens Winter Softball which is played on Sundays at Birralee.

Training/Grading sessions will be held at Birralee Upper Oval (cnr Beatrice Street and Shaw Avenue, Innaloo)

JUNIORS:

A 'Come and Try" day to be held in conjunction with Tee Ball to be held in the afternoon of 12 August at Carine Open Space.

Junior training sessions, incorporating Transition to Softball for T-Ball players entering softball for first time or players wanting to improve skills – Saturday 12 August, 2 September, 9 September. Spring training continues after Team Allocation for all Juniors – Tuesday 19 September, 26 September, 3 October, 10 October. Please advise your attendance to Softball Registrar

SENIORS:

Pre Season training for seniors will held at Birralee on Wednesday 16 August, Saturday 19 August at 5.30pm and Sunday 27 August at 10am

Players please wear appropriate sports wear (especially if cold and wet) and bring a water bottle, hat, jacket, your GLOVE and your helmet (if you own one).

If you are unable to attend please advise Registrar, Cheryl Poustie, on 0412 883 194

Any grading request to be in writing to Softball Registrar at softballregistrar@carinecats.com.au, and will be referred to grading group for consideration and will be dependent on individual circumstances.

TEAM ALLOCATION

To be held on TUESDAY 12 SEPTEMBER 2023 at Birralee Club rooms, cnr Beatrice Street and Shaw Road, Innaloo.

Juniors and seniors at 7pm.

ORIENTATION EVENING

This is for Coaches, Managers and Scorers

To be held on THURSDAY 14 SEPTEMBER at 7pm – at Birralee Club Rooms, cnr Beatrice Street and Shaw Road, Innaloo

Coaches, Managers and scorers are requested to attend so that specific information on the upcoming season can be distributed and explained.

Specialised sessions in pitching, catching will be advised in due course. Scoring Clinic will be scheduled prior to season commencement for new scorers or those wishing to brush up on their skills. Softball WA usually runs a scoring clinic before season start also. Coaching clinics are also available online.

UNIFORMS

The Carine Club has gone through a rebranding exercise and as a result new uniforms will be available for the upcoming season.

Junior playing tops will be provided by the Softball Division. Players to provide their own black pants, or chippers – no leggings. Socks and undershirts will be black. Caps will be black with "CC" logo.

Seniors will need to purchase new playing top and there will be new playing shorts also. Pants or chippers will be black. Undershirts/compression garments will be black and playing socks will be black. Cap or visor will be black with "CC" logo.

Further information on uniforms will be forwarded to registered players at a later date.

SUPPORT CREW

Teams need support in the areas of coaching, scoring and a manager. If you are interested in one of these areas please advise Registrar.

The Softball Committee is always in need of support and anyone interested in being part of the Softball Committee would be welcome. Committee meets on second Monday of month at 7.30pm at Birralee. Please advise either Softball Chairperson, Chris Upson or Registrar, Cheryl Poustie.

Chris Upson – softballchairperson@carinecats.com.au

Cheryl Poustie - softballregistrar@carinecats.com.au mobile 0412 883 194

REGISTRATION OPTIONS EXPLAINED

The following registration options are only entered into with agreement by the club registrar.

FIFO

- As the name suggests, developed for those on a known work schedule (e.g. one week on, one week off) and likely to only play half the available fixtures for the season.
- Can be used for others not necessarily on a FIFO schedule but in a situation where, again, they expect to only play half a season.
- Club fees will be half the normal rate. The registrar will monitor games played for the season and arrange top ups or refunds as necessary.

PAY-per-PLAY

- For those players unsure how many games they might play or who intend to only be available on a "fill-in" basis.
- Those members on this option can convert to FIFO or standard arrangement if their circumstances change.
- For the 2023/24 season the "PAY-per-PLAY" rate is \$20/game. As with a standard full season player, this fixed rate also allows for a proportion of umpire fees, team registration fees and club running costs and administration.