

OPEN LETTER AND NOMINATION FORM FOR ALL UNDER 12 PLAYERS WISHING TO PARTICIPATE IN THE BJRU UNDER 12 SELECTION TRIALS AND SIMON ABUBAKAR CARNIVAL

There are two events in which Under 12 registered players can participate at representative level. They are:

- 1 The **Simon Abubakar Carnival** following the U12 Selection Trials Day; and
- 2 The **Vending First Under 12 Challenge Cup** (conducted in Brisbane) between 2nd – 3rd July 2022.
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The Under 12 Simon Abubakar Carnival will be held on the weekend **Saturday 25th to Sunday 26th June** at a venue to be determined.

The Carnival commenced in 2005 and was named after Simon Abubakar (dec.), an outstanding supporter of the BJRU in the early 2000s. The intent of the Carnival is to provide the opportunity for young players to move from early age rugby to teen rugby where more developed skills are demanded.

BJRU registered Under 12 players are now invited to nominate for this event – the U12 Simon Abubakar Carnival.

8 teams composed of 184 players will be selected from across Brisbane to participate in the **Carnival**.

Key dates

8th May 2022 Under 12 Selection Day at Pine Rivers Pumas Rugby Union Club. All U12 boys' teams will play at the one venue for viewing purposes.

25th & 26th June 2021 Under 12 Simon Abubakar Carnival to be held at a club to be named.

From the Simon Abubakar Carnival, two representative teams consisting of 23 players and four BJRU Officials each will be selected to participate in the 2022 Vending First Under 12 Challenge Cup playing against other regional teams.

2nd – 3rd July 2022 Under 12 Challenge Cup.

Players should note that the following information applies to all nominations.

PLAYER ELIGIBILITY

For a player to eligible for selection in U12 teams, they must:

1. Turn 11 or 12 years of age between 1 January and 31 December 2022; and
2. Are playing in the BJRU U12 Winter (15-a-side) Competition; or

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4. Be registered and playing in the U13 Winter (15-a-side) Competition due to merged club teams or exceptional circumstances approved by BJRU Representative Sub-Committee.

SELECTION CRITERIA

The BJRU would like to remind all clubs, parents, players, and team management and selectors that in addition to our normal player selection policies, the BJRU has directed coaches and selectors to ensure that:

Players are selected upon their ability and skills;

Players are selected upon their “fit” to the team management game plan;

Players are selected upon their “coachability” (their ability to be instructed and led by someone other than their regular club coach);

Players are selected upon their ability to perform as a part of a team;

Players are selected based on their discipline on and off the field;

Players are selected upon ability to take instructions from coaches, manager and BJRU support staff.

Details of what is required by you and the player if you wish to participate are contained in the following paragraphs and attachments.

TRAINING VENUE:

Players will be informed of where their training will take place once selected.

Times: As set by the BJRU but restricted to times between **6.00pm – 8.00pm**.

Dates: Monday 16th, 23rd, 30th May, 6th, 13th, 20th June and other days and times as set by team management.

INABILITY TO ATTEND A TRAINING SESSION

If a player is unable to attend training for any reason, that player must contact the team manager or coach.

PLAYER LEVY

1. **The player levy** - TBA. (Including GST and online processing fees) Payments are to be made online through the Brisbane Junior Rugby Union Club Player Registration on Rugby Xplorer. If players are further selected to the Brisbane Teams to participate at the Challenge Cup, there is no additional cost.

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Player Kit - Jersey, socks, shorts, training shirt, hoodie, bag and cap. Lunches and other meals during both carnivals will be provided.

2. The player levy is to be paid by 13th June, 2022. If levies are not paid by this time the player will be immediately replaced in the team. Zip Pay payment options are available when making payment.

To nominate for this event (Under 12 Simon Abubakar Carnival click on the registration form link below to register your availability for selection.

[2022 Simon Abubakar Carnival Player Nomination Form](#)

Online nominations will close 12:00pm Friday 6th May, 2022.

Yours sincerely

Ray Caranese

BJRU Chairman of Selectors & Vice President