



OPEN LETTER TO ALL UNDER 12 PARENTS – 2017

Date: 7th May 2017

U12 SELECTION TRIALS AND CARNIVAL INFORMATION

Welcome to the beginning of the junior player pathway program. This year the Under 12 Player Development Program will consist of the Simon Abubakar U12 Carnival and an U12 Championships Carnival conducted at the same time and at same venue as the State Championships.

The selection trials for these carnivals will be held at **Norths Rugby Union Club**, Hugh Cortney Oval, Shaw Rd, Wavell Heights on Sunday, 21st May, 2017. The BJRU website will have the draw so please confirm your game time and field allocation. All U12 teams will trial at the one location.

The BJRU U12 Carnival date is Saturday 24th and Sunday 25th June. Players must be available for both days.

Players who wish to participate in the carnival must be available for training one night a week (always Monday) from Monday 29th May – 19th June 2017.

Two (2) teams selected from the 8 participating teams at the BJRU Simon Abubakar U12 Carnival will travel to the Albany Creek on the following week-end to participate in the U12 Championships Carnival.

Under 12s will not stay in camp. Players are responsible for their own travel arrangements. It is anticipated that teams from the Gold Coast, Darling Downs, Central Queensland and Sunshine Coast will participate in the U12 Championships on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, 30th June to 2nd July, 2017.

Players wishing to be considered for selection for this carnival, must be available to train on the evenings of Tuesday 27th and Thursday 29th June, 2017.

SELECTION PROCESS FOR TRIAL DAY, SUNDAY 21st MAY

All players will be viewed by their group selectors on this day. *Team Managers are to provide a team list of players wishing to be considered for selection to the head selectors on the day with corresponding jersey numbers.*

The players are free to leave after their competition game.

At the end of the day, the group of selectors will determine the final teams and shadow players. This list will be checked for player eligibility (player registration etc.) and presented to the Chairman



of Selectors for Final Approval.

The selection lists will be placed on the BJRU website and issued to the clubs. All players selected must confirm the acceptance of their position by the designated date and time. This can be done by emailing the BJRU secretary on secretary@bjru.com.au asap.

There will be eight teams of 23 evenly skilled players. These teams are:

BJRU Maroon	BJRU Gold
BJRU Orange	BJRU Yellow
BJRU Blue	BJRU Royal
BJRU Emerald	BJRU Grey

The selection criteria are:

1. For BJRU players playing in the U12 Competition. In addition, U11 players etc who are playing in U12 are eligible for selection. U12 players who are playing up in U13s are not eligible for selection. The exceptions are:
 - An U12 player in an U13 team where the club does not have an U12 team in the BJRU Competition; and
 - An U12 player in an U13 team where the club does not have sufficient number of players to enter an U12 team in the BJRU Competition; and
 - An U12 player in an U13 team where the club does not have sufficient number of players to field an U13 team.
2. Only players who play in the games programmed on the selection trial day will be selected, unless there are exceptional circumstances and these are cleared via the Chairman of Selectors. Teams that have a bye game on the selection trial round will have been viewed the previous week.
3. There will be a minimum of 3 Selectors for each colour group (Maroon and Gold; Orange and Yellow; Blue and Royal; Emerald and Grey) and they are overseen by the BJRU Management Committee Members or suitably appointed persons.
4. From each group, 46 players are to be selected who will then be divided into 2 evenly balanced teams of 23. Selectors will also select a number of shadow players in all positions to cater for drop outs – these are to be by position/s in order of priority.
5. There is no Possible vs Probable game for this age group.
6. The aim is to select on potential ability and it is recognized that due to the large number of teams that not all the best players will be selected.



TO PARENTS/GUARDIANS AND PLAYERS

Details of what is required of you and your players are indicated below.

SELECTION AVAILABILITY

Prior to Sunday 21st May: If you wish your child to be considered for selection, you need to let your team manager or coach know that you are available for selection.

Wednesday 24th evening: Go to the BJR U website: www.bjru.com.au after 7.30pm and check the main page for the 2017 U12 Skills Development Teams graphic. Check to see if your child has been selected.

IF SELECTED: Respond to the BJR U by email (secretary@bjru.com.au); providing:

- your child's name;
- the team colour they have been selected in;
- confirming or rejecting their participation in the team; and
- contact email address.

This must be done as early as possible and no later than 5.00pm on Monday, 29th May, 2017.

PLAYER REGISTRATION AND PAYMENT:

If your child has been selected and you have confirmed they wish to participate in the program, an invitation will be sent to you via email to go online to register and pay. All the relevant paperwork to be completed will be provided on this site. If you do not wish to pay online, you will need to make arrangements with your club who will liaise with the BJR U on your behalf. No payment arrangements will be made directly with the BJR U.

TRAINING

Venue: At a venue nominated by your team coaches.

Times: As set by the coaches but restricted to times between 6.00pm – 7.30pm
(Dates: Monday – 29th May, 5th, 12th, and 19th June 2017).
Any other Trial Games or Training will be notified.

INABILITY TO ATTEND TRAINING

If you are unable to attend training for any reason, you must contact your team manager or coach.



CODE OF CONDUCT

All players and parents are to sign a code of conduct form once they have undertaken the commitment to the U12 Team for which they have been selected in both carnivals (Simon Abubakar U12 Carnival at Caboolture and the U12 Championships Carnival at Albany Creek. These will be sent to your appointed team manager.

REPLACEMENT OF PLAYERS

A player MAY be replaced:

- Where a player/parent has breached the code of conduct;
- Where a player does not maintain his training commitments;
- Where a player does not demonstrate a suitable attitude at training or to their team mates or team management;
- Where a player is red carded between the time of selection and the carnival;
- Where a player ceases to play for his/her club team;

The player WILL be replaced.

- Where a player is injured or cannot train for more than 2 weeks;
- Where a player is red carded prior to the carnival and the judiciary process or suspension falls into the carnival weekend;

PLAYER LEVY

1. **The players levy is \$295 (inc.gst).** Payments can be made on line via Rugby Link or through arrangement with your club. This levy covers:

- Player Program, Participation medallion, Team photograph, Player Lunches x 2 days, and any participation costs in the State Champs Carnival etc; and
- Player Jersey, socks, shorts, training shirt, hoodie, and bag.

2. The above levy is to be paid by **Wednesday 7th June 2017**. If levies are not paid by this time the **player will be immediately replaced in the team**.

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CARNIVAL VENUES

U12 Simon Abubakar Carnival – 24th – 25th June, 2017

Caboolture Rugby Union Club, Kevin Kaeser Oval, Petersen Rd, Morayfield.

U12 Championships Carnival – 1st – 2nd July, 2017

Albany Creek Rugby Union Club, South Pine Sports Complex, Cribb Rd, Brendale

When registering for a team place in the U12 Simon Abubakar Carnival, players will be asked to indicate if they wish to be considered for selection in one of the two U12 Championships Carnival teams.

Each team in the latter Carnival will play approximately six games in a round robin competition
We wish your child good luck this weekend with their selection trials.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Tony Bishop', is positioned above the typed name.

Tony Bishop
Chairman of Selectors & Vice President - BJRU