



# Mudgeeraba Soccer Club 2024 Season Guide

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## **A Guide to 2024**

From humble beginnings in 1980, the club has grown to become one of the largest clubs on the Gold Coast with a current membership in excess of 650 players and fielding teams in Senior Men's and Women's, teams from U11 through U18 and multiple Mini-Roo (U6 to U11) teams in every age group.

This guide has been produced to give current and prospective members important information about the Club and the procedures for the start of the 2024 season.

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<https://www.facebook.com/MudgeerabaSoccerClub>

or

<http://mudgeerabasoccer.com> for the latest news and information.



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## **1. Junior Development Plan – The Mudjee Way**

The Mudgeeraba Junior Development Plan (The JDP) is designed to provide junior football administrators, committee members, and coaches with a simple and clear player development road map. Successful junior football organisations work from a central vision and philosophy that is supported by an engaged club administration, educated coaching staff, and a professional player development model.

### **Vision**

To develop and implement the leading junior development program at Mudgeeraba Soccer Club. We also wish to be recognised for our style of football and playing philosophy, known as... *The Mudjee Way*.

We will achieve this vision by:

- Implementing the FFA National Curriculum and The JDP (across all junior teams)
- Maintaining a club philosophy and policy of development.
- Developing experienced and qualified coaches with an aligned coaching philosophy and values.
- Focusing on core Club Values which are just as important off the football pitch.
- Adhering to a playing style and philosophy of 'creative, and positive possession base football.

### **Club Values**

- Respect - Yourself & Others
- Open communication - Collaboration is key to our success.
- Engagement - Sharing a responsibility is not dividing it but multiplying it.
- Positivity - Think –Act –Be positive.
- Honesty - In words – acts – feelings – thoughts
- Support – Feel supported and be supportive.
- Inclusiveness - We will be inclusive to all in our approaches.
- Self-awareness - Know your strengths and weaknesses.
- Learning attitude - Mistakes are lessons.
- Passion for achievement – Be passionate in everything you do.
- Team - No single individual is bigger than the CLUB as a whole.



## Playing Style

- A proactive brand of Football, based on effective possession with the cutting edge provided by creative individuals.
- Defensively the key components are quick transition and intelligent collective pressing.
- The playing style is underpinned by a strong 'team mentality', capitalising on Australia's traditional strengths.
- Introduce a uniform playing style and coaching style to develop skilful and creative players.
- A creative possession-based style of play is the best guarantee of learning and development. To develop creative players, freedom of expression is key.
- Players need to learn from their mistakes and should always be encouraged to try again. If young players are criticised for losing the ball, or discouraged from trying something new, they will not learn.
- Our philosophy sees the 1-4-3-3 system of play as the preferred format however all systems are encouraged to be utilised while developing young players.
- Coaches should encourage young players to play out from the back, through midfield, linking up with attack. The full Mudgee Way document can be found [HERE](#).



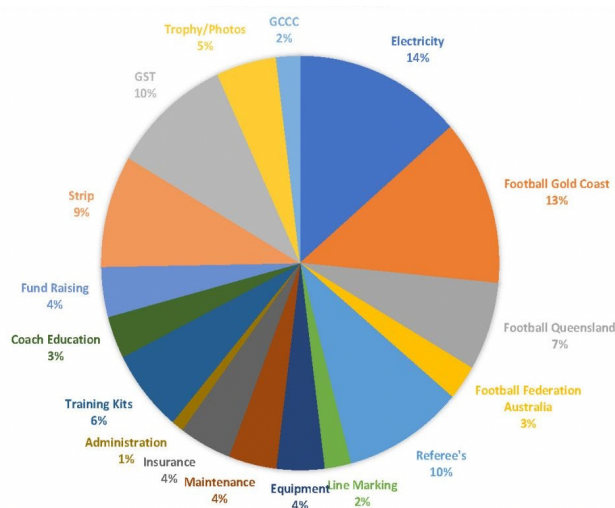
## 2. Registration Fee

Date of Birth	Age Group	Fees (Inc GST)
Born in 2019	U5	\$400
Born in 2018	U6	\$400
Born in 2017	U7	\$400
Born in 2016	U8	\$470
Born in 2015	U9	\$470
Born in 2014	U10	\$480
Born in 2013	U11	\$480
Born in 2012	U12	\$480
Born in 2011	U13	\$490
Born in 2010	U14	\$490
Born in 2009	U15	\$500
Born in 2008	U16	\$500
Born in 2007	U18	\$500
Born in 2006	U18	\$500
Born in 2005 or earlier	Seniors	\$530

### What do my fees cover?

The attached graph is the breakdown of your fees.

- Equipment is football related repairs or purchase eg. pop up goals, goal repair, corner flags, training poles, etc.
- Training kit includes a team's training balls, cones, bibs and bag.
- Maintenance & running costs in relation to the clubhouse and surrounds.
- Football Gold Coast & Football Federation Australia Fees





### 3. Registering to play

Queensland Football has transitioned all registration to be completed via Squadi, including payment of fees. All returning members must register for the new season.

*When registering for the first time please be aware –*

- The first process will be to create an account. If you have multiple family members registering this will be your login account. Parents should use their details for the account.
- Once you create your account you can then add the players to that account and register them to play with Mudgeeraba Soccer Club.
- If you still need assistance, contact SQUADI, by emailing [squadi@footballqueensland.com.au](mailto:squadi@footballqueensland.com.au)

When registering please check that all your details are up to date, in particular mobile numbers and emails (This is how we contact you) & update player photo.



#### **4. 2024 Calendar**

The following is our Calendar for the 2024 Season. This can also be found on the website and Facebook, we will also update our social media during the season with any changes & events.



# January/February 2024 – Juniors FINAL

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
	5pm – Under 13 Trials 630pm – Under 16 Trials	5pm – Under 14 Trials 630pm – Under 15 Trials	630pm – Under 18 Trials	SIGN ON – 5.30pm to 7pm	5pm – Girls (U12+)	SIGN ON – 8am to 11am Come Try Day 9am – 10am
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
	5pm – Under 13 Trials 630pm – Under 16 Trials	SIGN ON – 5.30pm to 7pm 5pm – Under 14 Trials 630pm – Under 15 Trials	5pm – Under 12 Kangaroos 630pm – Under 18 Trials	SIGN ON – 5.30pm to 7pm 5pm – U10 Kangaroos 630pm - U11 Kangaroos	5pm - U9 Kangaroos 630pm – Girls (U12+)	SIGN ON – 8am to 11am Come Try Day 9am – 10am
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
	5pm – Under 13 Trials 630pm – Under 16 Trials	SIGN ON – 5.30pm to 7pm 5pm – Under 14 Trials 630pm – Under 15 Trials	5pm – Under 12 Kangaroos 630pm – Under 18 Trials	SIGN ON – 5.30pm to 7pm 5pm – U10 Kangaroos 630pm - U11 Kangaroos	 Australia Day	
28	29	30	31	1	2	3
		SIGN ON – 5.30pm to 7pm	5pm – Under 12 Kangaroos	SIGN ON – 5.30pm to 7pm 5pm – U10 Kangaroos 630pm - U11 Kangaroos	Team Nominations Due (U13+) 5pm - U9 Kangaroos 4.30pm Joeys	SIGN ON – 8am to 11am Come Try Day 9am – 10am
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
	530pm – U6 Team Allocations 6pm – U8 Team Allocations	530pm – U7 Team Allocations 6pm – (U13 – 18) Coaches Meeting	530pm – U9 Team Allocations 6pm – U11 Team Allocations 5pm - U12, 13 & 14 Training 6.30pm - U15 &16 Training	530pm – U10 Team Allocation 6pm – U12 Team Allocations 6.30pm - U18 Training	4.30pm Joeys	
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
	5pm - U12, 13, 14, 15 & 16 Training	5.30pm- Mini Roos (U9-12) meeting 6.30pm - U18 Training	5pm - U12, 13 & 14 Training 6.30pm - U15 &16 Training	5.30pm- Mini roos (U6-8) Meeting 6.30pm - U18 Training	Team Nominations Due (U6-12) 4.30pm Joeys	
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
	5pm - U12, 13, 14, 15 & 16 Training	5pm - U9,10 &11 Training 6pm Managers Meeting 6.30pm-U18 Training	5pm - U12, 13 & 14 Training 6.30pm - U15 &16 Training	5.30pm- Referees Meeting 5pm - U6, 7 & 8 Training 6.30pm - U18 Training	4.30pm Joeys	

# March/April 2024 – Juniors FINAL

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
25	26 5pm - U12, 13, 14, 15 & 16 Training	27 5pm - U9,10 &11 Training 6.30pm-U18 Training	28 5pm - U12, 13 & 14 Training 6.30pm - U15 &16 Training	29 5pm - U6, 7 & 8 Training 6.30pm - U18 Training	1 4.30pm Joeys	2 Intra Club Carnival (U6-12)
3	4 5pm - U12, 13, 14, 15 & 16 Training	5 5pm - U9,10 &11 Training 6.30pm-U18 Training	6 5pm - U12, 13 & 14 Training 6.30pm - U15 &16 Training	7 5pm - U6, 7 & 8 Training 6.30pm - U18 Training	8 Proposed start date for Juniors (U15, 16 & U18) 4.30pm Joeys	9 FQ Carnival (U6-12) Proposed start date for Juniors (U13-14)
10	11 5pm - U12, 13, 14, 15 & 16 Training	12 5pm - U9,10 &11 Training 6.30pm-U18 Training	13 5pm - U12, 13 & 14 Training 6.30pm - U15 &16 Training	14 5pm - U6, 7 & 8 Training 6.30pm - U18 Training	15 4.30pm Joeys	16 Proposed start date for Minirooms (U6-U11)
17	18 5pm - U12, 13, 14, 15 & 16 Training	19 5pm - U9,10 &11 Training 6.30pm-U18 Training	20 5pm - U12, 13 & 14 Training 6.30pm - U15 &16 Training	21 5pm - U6, 7 & 8 Training 6.30pm - U18 Training	22 4.30pm Joeys	23
24	25 5pm - U12, 13, 14, 15 & 16 Training	26 5pm - U9,10 &11 Training 6.30pm-U18 Training	27 5pm - U12, 13 & 14 Training 6.30pm - U15 &16 Training	28 5pm - U6, 7 & 8 Training 6.30pm - U18 Training	29	30
31	1 5pm - U12, 13, 14, 15 & 16 Training	2 5pm - U9,10 &11 Training 6.30pm-U18 Training	3 5pm - U12, 13 & 14 Training 6.30pm - U15 &16 Training	4 5pm - U6, 7 & 8 Training 6.30pm - U18 Training	5	6
7	8 5pm - U12, 13, 14, 15 & 16 Training	9 5pm - U9,10 &11 Training 6.30pm-U18 Training	10 5pm - U12, 13 & 14 Training 6.30pm - U15 &16 Training	11 5pm - U6, 7 & 8 Training 6.30pm - U18 Training	12	13
14	15 5pm - U12, 13, 14, 15 & 16 Training	16 5pm - U9,10 &11 Training 6.30pm-U18 Training	17 5pm - U12, 13 & 14 Training 6.30pm - U15 &16 Training	18 5pm - U6, 7 & 8 Training 6.30pm - U18 Training	19 4.30pm Joeys	20

# January/February 2024 – Seniors

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 SQUADI OPENS	2	3	4	5	6 Senior Men (FQPL 4) Preseason Game
7	8	9 630pm – Senior Men (FQPL 4) training	10	11 630pm – Senior Men (FQPL 4) training	12	13 Senior Men (FQPL 4) Preseason Game SIGN ON – 8am to 11am
14	15 6.30pm – Men Training (Metro)	16 SIGN ON – 5.30pm to 7pm 630pm – Senior Men (FQPL 4) training	17 6.30pm – Women Training (Metro)	18 SIGN ON – 5.30pm to 7pm 630pm – Senior Men (FQPL 4) training	19 Senior Men (FQPL 4) Preseason Game	20 SIGN ON – 8am to 11am
21	22 6.30pm – Men Training (Metro)	23 SIGN ON – 5.30pm to 7pm 630pm – Senior Men (FQPL 4) training	24 6.30pm – Women Training (Metro)	25 SIGN ON – 5.30pm to 7pm Senior Men (FQPL 4) Preseason Game	26  Australia Day	27
28	29 6.30pm – Men Training (Metro)	30 SIGN ON – 5.30pm to 7pm 630pm – Senior Men (FQPL 4) training	31 6.30pm – Women Training (Metro)	1 SIGN ON – 5.30pm to 7pm 630pm – Senior Men (FQPL 4) training	2	3 Senior Men (FQPL 4) AUS CUP SIGN ON – 8am to 11am
4	5 6.30pm – Men Training (Metro)	6 630pm – Senior Men (FQPL 4) training	7 6.30pm – Women Training (Metro)	8 630pm – Senior Men (FQPL 4) training	9 Team Nominations Due	10 Senior Men (FQPL 4) AUS CUP
11	12 6.30pm – Men Training (Metro)	13 630pm – Senior Men (FQPL 4) training	14 6.30pm – Women Training (Metro)	15 630pm – Senior Men (FQPL 4) training	16	17 Senior Men (FQPL 4) AUS CUP
18	19 6.30pm – Men Training (Metro)	20 630pm – Senior Men (FQPL 4) training	21 6.30pm – Women Training (Metro)	22 630pm – Senior Men (FQPL 4) training	23	24 Senior Men (FQPL 4) Preseason Game

# March/April 2024 - Seniors

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
25	26	27	28	29	1	2
	6.30pm – Men Training (Metro)	6.30pm – Senior Men (FQPL 4) training	6.30pm – Women Training (Metro)	6.30pm – Senior Men (FQPL 4) training		Senior Men (FQPL 4) Preseason Game
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
	6.30pm – Men Training (Metro) 6.30pm – Women Training (Metro)	6.30pm – Senior Men (FQPL 4) training	Potential start date for Metro	6.30pm – Senior Men (FQPL 4) training		FQPL 4 Men's Start Date
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
	6.30pm – Men Training (Metro) 6.30pm – Women Training (Metro)	6.30pm – Senior Men (FQPL 4) training	Potential start date for Metro	6.30pm – Senior Men (FQPL 4) training		
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	6.30pm – Men Training (Metro) 6.30pm – Women Training (Metro)	6.30pm – Senior Men (FQPL 4) training		6.30pm – Senior Men (FQPL 4) training		Senior Men (FQPL 4) AUS CUP
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	6.30pm – Men Training (Metro) 6.30pm – Women Training (Metro)	6.30pm – Senior Men (FQPL 4) training		6.30pm – Senior Men (FQPL 4) training		



## 5. Come Try Day

Don't know if your child will like the sport? Unsure if the club will suit you? Need to know more about what the club has to offer? The Come Try Day is for you. This year we will be holding three come try days! These will occur on Saturday the 20 January 2024 & Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2024. between 9-10am.

We will have a training session run by our Director of Coaching, Aldo. No need to have boots, but we do suggest shin pads for those training. Committee members will be available if you have any questions.

## 6. Team Trials & Player Placement

### Under 13 to 18 Trials :

Trials and grading play an important role in the development of players. By placing players in a team that will suitably challenge them as players will improve their playing abilities. Coaches can then focus on developing a team who have similar playing abilities, tailoring training to improve their teams football knowledge and skills.

Trials will be undertaken over 4 weeks with all divisions trialling together. During the first 2 weeks, impartial selectors will grade players according to their ability and they will be placed in an appropriate team. During the last 2 weeks the coaches of those teams will be invited to assist in finalising grading.

*All player must be have completed the expression of interest form for Mudgeeraba Soccer Club, or completed the registration via SQUADI, for the 2024 season to be allowed to trial.*

Once grading is complete all players will be informed of their team placement and the next steps to take. After players teams are confirmed, *ALL fees must be paid in full to secure your place in your selected team.*

### Kangaroo Trials :

Kangaroo trials are for players in Under 9's, 10's, 11's & U12's. Kangaroo teams are for players with a higher skill level, that wish to be challenged and improve their playing ability. We strongly encourage all players in these age groups to trial for Kangaroos.

### Team Allocations (Under 6 to 11) :

For those players not selected for Kangaroos (Under 9 to 12) and the Under 6 to 8's you come down to your team allocation afternoon. Here we will place players into teams. We will try to



place players with friends, where possible. We will also give last minute information to parents to ensure you are kept up to date.

## **7. Mini Roo's (Under 6 to 12) Preseason Games**

### **Mini Roo Carnival :**

In the Mini Roo Carnival, Under 6 to Under 12's teams will play their age group in short games. We are holding the carnival early to allow players to start playing games.

We understand that teams would not have had time to train, but this gives coaches the opportunity assess their teams and the players have fun doing what they signed up to do.

### **Intraclub Games :**

Until the competition starts the following weekends will be intra-club games. These are games played against other Mudgeeraba club teams. These games are treated like season Saturday games, normal game lengths and start times.

During these games, the director of coaching, Aldo, will be looking at teams to see whether they are placed in the correct Mini Roo's Competition.



## 8. Training and Game Days

### Training :

To align with the requirements of player education outlined in 'The Mudgee Way', each Coach is supplied a coaching guide for each week from the Director of Coaching. To assist the coaches, the Director of Coaching attends each training day.

More information about coaching in the 'Coaches' section of this guide. Once the number of teams are confirmed, a training map will be provided, which allocates training space for each team.

Age Group	Compulsory Training Night
Under 6, 7 and 8	Thursdays between 5pm and 6.30pm (additional training day Tuesday at coach's discretion)
Under 9, 10 and 11	Tuesdays between 5pm and 6.30pm (additional training day Thursday at coach's discretion)
Under 12, 13 & 14	Mondays and Wednesdays 5pm to 6.30pm
Under 15, 16 & 18	Mondays 5pm to 6.30pm & Wednesday 6.30-8pm
Senior Men (FQPL 4)	Tuesday's and Thursday's 6.30pm to 8pm
Senior Metro Mid-Week Men	Monday's 6.30pm to 8pm
Senior Metro Mid-Week Women	Monday's 6.30pm to 8pm



## Game Days

Games are played home and away. For younger age groups the fixtures are usually locally, eg. Robina, Nerang, Burleigh, Palm Beach etc. The older age groups may need to travel a bit further, eg. Ormeau, Runaway Bay, Tamborine, Murwillumbah. This all depends on the number of teams in the local competition.

Some fixtures may have Mudgee v Mudgee games. To avoid a clash in playing strips, we encourage the away team on the fixture (the second team on the fixture) to wear their team's colour for that week's game. For example, Mudgeeraba U7 Blue vs Mudgeeraba U7 Red – Red is the away team and should wear that colour as their playing strip. For the next round the other team (Blue) will be the away team. For our competition aged teams, an alternative strip is available for loan from the clubhouse.

The Club will strive to supply referees for all games. However, in the event that we cannot supply a referee, we will ask the coach to referee the game.

Age Group	Game Days	Wet Weather Catchup Days
Mini Roo's (U6 to U12)	Saturday's between 8.30am to 12pm	Sunday week or WWC (wet weather catchup)
Competition Age (U13, U14 & U15)	Saturday's between 8.30am to 12pm	Sunday week or WWC
Competition Age (U16 & U18)	Friday's between 6.15pm to 10pm	Monday week or WWC
Seniors (Metro Women)	Wednesday's between 6.15pm to 10pm	TBC
Seniors (Metro Men)	Wednesday's between 6.15pm to 10pm	TBC
Seniors (FQPL 4)	Saturday's between 1pm and 9pm	Tuesday week or WWC





## 9. Coaching

Player development through coach education

All our coaches are volunteers. The Club does not supply coaches for teams. Generally, they are the parents of players.

The Club supports out coaches through coach education. We do this by:

- **Coaches Meeting** – Once teams have been formed and coaches nominated, we have our Coaches Meeting (proposed dates are on the calendar). At the meeting we go through a wide range of subject. This is more an introduction to coaching, policies and procedures.
- **Holding compulsory coaching courses** – These are in the form of Grassroots (U6 to U8), Skill Training (U9 to U12) and Game Training (U13 to U18)
- **Running compulsory coaching workshops** – These will involve elaborating on a core skill, in depth explanation of the skill and why it is important. We will run these workshops with a junior team so coaches can see how a coach can run an effective training session.
- **Supplying training sessions weekly** – The DOC will email coaches the required train for each week. The email will include a session plan for each training day that week. Coaches are to follow the required session.
- **Director of Coaching assistance** – The DOC will be available to assist coaches at their training sessions. The DOC is not there to take the training session but to instruct the coaches.
- **Football Committee Meetings** – These meetings are held at least twice a year. Here we discuss the progress of 'The Mudgee Way' and improvement that can be made.

The Club is committed to assisting our coaches on their coaching journey. Our aim is to have every coach with us for many years to come.



## 10. Parents Responsibilities

We are all a part of Mudgeeraba Soccer Club, and it is everyone's responsibility to assist in the smooth running of the Club. We need everyone's help.

During the Coaches Meeting we will supply coaches with the Parents Handbook. In it we outline the roles and responsibilities of each parent.

Some of the key points are :

- **We are not a day care service** – Please do not drop your players off and leave. Your coach is a volunteer and is not there to babysit. This is especially helpful at the start of the season as coaches and players get to know each other.
- **Your coach coaches, you encourage** – Players need to hear instructions from one voice on the sideline, and that is the coach. Parents are encouraged to cheer on their team but must refrain from yelling instructions.
- **Players need to make mistakes** – That is how they learn. If they are not confident to try something, they will not develop their individual flair. If there is a major issue, your coach will address it. Encourage your player to try new things.
- **Ground Officiating** – Every team must supply a Ground Official for home and away games. The Ground Official is to monitor their spectator's behaviour, in line with the Parents Handbook, and assist other Ground Officials if needed. A job description is posted on the Club website under Policies and Procedures.
- **Help with the goals** – It is the responsibility of the first team that plays at home to set the goals up for the game, and it's the responsibility of the last team to put the goals away. Each week's home games can be found on the Club website and the draw is located at the Officials tent, for Mini Roos (U6 to U11) or the Main Clubhouse, for Competition Age (U13 to U18). Please don't leave this up to your coach to do, he is busy preparing your players for their game. Many hands make light work.

Please ensure you receive your Parents Handbook and understand your role within the Club.



## 11. Contact Us

The clubhouse is open Tuesday and Thursdays from 5.30pm. Committee members are available for registrations, uniforms and any other assistance that may be needed.

During sign on and peak registration period, the Clubhouse will open on specific nights to help with registrations, uniforms and any other queries. Please refer to the club calendar for specific opening hours.

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