RYDE PANTHERS FOOTBALL CLUB



Code of Conduct

The Core Values of our Mighty Club

Everyone regardless of race, colour, creed, or ability has a chance to play football with the Ryde Panthers FC. Within our MiniRoos, Junior and Youth teams, the values of family, friends, fairness, and fitness takes precedence over winning games. Additionally, we challenge our players and offer them the chance to become more skilful and attain their personal best in a positive and nurturing environment.

Coaches and Managers Code of Behaviour.

- At all times be aware that you are representing our club and that your actions, words and behaviour reflects upon us and our reputations.
- Be reasonable in your demands on MiniRoos to Youth players. Remembering players to play for fun and enjoyment. We do not ridicule mistakes.
- Be inclusive of all players at training and at game time.
- Teach players that the rules of sport should be followed, not broken.
- On game day, develop team respect for opponents and officials from both teams.
- Respect the officials. Game Leaders/Coaches, Managers and Spectators will respect the wishes of the referee or person refereeing, and the laws and rules as applied by the association and referees.
- All Coaches and Managers have a valid WWC prior to season start.
- At no time should an adult be left alone with a minor.
- Open Communication Both adults and children should be privy to all communications from the team and about the team.

Parents and Spectators Code of Behaviour.

- At all times be aware that you are representing our club and that your actions, words and behaviour reflects upon us and our reputations.
- Respect the officials. Game Leaders/Coaches, Managers and Spectators will respect the wishes of the referee or person refereeing, and the laws and rules as applied by the association and referees.
- Be reasonable in your demands on MiniRoos to Youth players. Remembering players to play for fun and enjoyment. We do not ridicule mistakes, instead encourage players to accept results without disappointment.
- Never ridicule or yell at a player for making mistakes or losing the game.
- Our junior players should be involved for their own enjoyment, not for the enjoyment at the sake of parents and or spectators.
- Volunteers deserve respect and consideration.
- Strive to eliminate verbal and physical abuse from all sporting activities, both on and off the field.
- At no time should an adult be left alone with a minor who is not their own child.
- Open Communication Both adults and children should be privy to all communications from the team and about the team.

Players Code of Behaviour.

- At all times be aware that you are representing our club and that your actions, words and behaviour reflects upon us and our reputations.
- Players shall play by the rules of the game and know the rules including the latest rule changes. <u>www.playbytherules.net.au</u>
- Respect the officials. Players who are fortunate to have a referee, official or not, will abide by his or her decisions with good spirit.
- Treat all players the way you would like to be treated yourself and play in a fair and sporting manner.
- Respect the rights, dignity and worth of all players, coaches, and officials.
- Abuse of opponents, team mates and or officials is not allowed in any sport. Players will not use foul, abusive or offensive language on or off the field at any time nor in any foreign language.
- Accept defeat with dignity and do not seek excuses for defeat or blame the referee or anyone else.
- Both adults and children should be privy to all communications from the team and about the team
- Kids should have a voice in the way the team is run, including but not limited to what they would like to do at training and on game day.
- Thoughts about adult behaviour at training and on the sideline at games should be a conversation for the whole team.

When you participate in the activities of this club please be aware that a Code of Conduct is in place. This code applies to all games and matches participated in by our teams as well as training nights, fun days and special events organized by our club. It is also expected that our members would follow this code at any function or competition that they may attend no matter who it has been organized by, or for.

Participating in activities and matches involving Ryde Panthers is a privilege and failure to observe and abide by the Code of Conduct will result in the Committee withdrawing this privilege.

Any person representing Ryde Panthers, either as a player, official or spectator who is accused of violating the Code of Conduct will have the opportunity and be expected to address the Committee within 21 days of the complaint. The complaint is to be lodged in writing to the Committee, with regard to determining the appropriate action to be taken, as determined by the Committee.