



NEWSLETTER 1.

June 12th, 13th & 14th 2021

Entries

Invitations to participate in the 2021 Victorian Country Championships have now been issued. The event is open to any VVI affiliated association outside a radius of 40km from the Melbourne CBD.

The Organising Committee is working hard to encourage as many teams as possible to experience the excitement of this pinnacle event on the volleyball calendar. Volleyball Horsham has successfully staged their annual tournament for 25 years, and the fun and enjoyment that players have experienced at that event, will hopefully be translated to the Country Champs. In this unusual climate we find ourselves in, we are hoping that the entire volleyball community will get behind this iconic event.

We are keen to encourage teams from associations in as many divisions as possible, including the new look Masters section. (40+ for men and 35+ for women) If your association competes in Division One, then why not encourage Division Two or Three or Masters as well - we are sure they will benefit from the competition and gain a great deal of enjoyment out of participating.

If you require additional explanation of the tournament regulations please contact us so as we can clarify any issues before you make a final decision on entries. A summary of the major regulations and changes from last year is attached. It will assist planning for everyone if associations register early - you will have adequate time to confirm final entries.

Divisions

Senior: The event offers Division 1 and 2 for Men and Women and Division 3 and Masters if entries allow. The organising committee encourages Associations to enter multiple teams, and if it means the creation of a division 3 to cater for these teams every effort will be made to accommodate them.

Accommodation

Teams are encouraged to secure accommodation as early as possible. Horsham Visitor Information Centre offers a free booking service and will chase around to find the sort of accommodation that you require.

Regulations

Please be advised there are changes to the regulations following the 2019 championships and they are attached.

Key dates

May 12, 2021 – entries close and entry fees to be paid.

June 6, 2021 – final day for team information.



Horsham Visitor Information Centre can be contacted free on 1800 633 218.

<https://visithorsham.com.au/essentials/horsham-grampians-visitor-information-centre/>

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Summary of Changes to VVCCC Regulations – Jan 2021

The meeting of Commissioners of the VVCCC on January 29th 2021, proposed the following amendments to the Regulations governing Victorian Country Championships, resulting from the CC'19 Review meeting and no competition in 2020:

Article 2C – Change Host Rotation sequence to end in 2021

Article 3C – Various updates to incorporate 'Marquee Players'

Article 3E – new article to allow each Division One team to invite one player to be known as a 'Marquee Player'. Such player will be someone who commenced their playing career in that teams Association, has represented that Association in at least one Country Championship at any level and has since left that Association for study or career development.

Article 3F – new article introducing staged Coach Accreditation for all divisions over the next 4 years. Re-numbering articles in section 3 as a result of the above.

Article 3H (ii) – Requiring the provision of quarter and semi-finals for any division with pools.

Article 3K (xiii) – Requiring any match that has commenced, to be completed, but providing the opportunity to not commence a match that is deemed to have no bearing on the outcome of the division.

Article 3L (ii)(c) – From 2022, requiring a staged introduction of qualified referees for Division 2 and 3.

Appendix 1 – Appointed Commissioners – Including Lisa Krahe as an invited Commissioner for 2021

Appendix 2 (vi & vii) – Amend appointment of members to VVCCC in ODD numbered years instead of EVEN numbered years

Appendix 3 (xiii) - Amend appointment of VVCCC Chair to ODD numbered years instead of EVEN numbered years

Appendix 4, Specific Tasks i. – Requiring TD/RD to monitor completed scoresheets to ensure only nominated referees officiate matches

Appendix 5 & 8 – Removal of the Coach exclusion lines on the Field of Play Layout

Appendix 8-2 – Requiring substitution paddles numbered from 1-20 when used for Div. 1

Appendix 9-2 – Finals Protocol & Presentation Ceremony Guidelines – Bring pre-match protocols for Division 1 finals into line with current VA protocols

Appendix 12, Specific tasks c. - Requiring RD/TD to monitor completed scoresheets to ensure only nominated referees officiate matches