



Geelong FNL Finals 2024

Dates & Venues

Geelong West – West Oval

Saturday 7th September – Qualifying Final: 2nd vs 3rd

Sunday 8th September – Elimination Final: 4th vs 5th

Saturday 14th September – Second Semi Final: 1st vs Winner of Qualifying Final

Sunday 15th September – First Semi Final: Loser of Qualifying Final v Winner of Elimination Final

Saturday 21st September - Preliminary Final: Loser of Second Semi Final v Winner of First Semi Final

Kardinia Park Netball Complex

FRIDAY 27th September – Grand Final: Winner of Second Semi Final v Winner of Preliminary Final

Team Officials

Team Officials consist of Coach, Assistant Coach, Team Manager and Primary Carer. You will also include a scorer. Up to 5 officials may constitute the team officials (i.e. additional medical professional).

Team officials MUST be named on the starting line-up form that must be submitted at least 30 minutes prior to the start of each match.

Only the listed Team Officials are allowed on the bench with the five substitutions.

Scoring & Timekeeping (PLEASE READ CAREFULLY NOTING 2024 CHANGES)

An independent scorer will be allocated to every final by AFL Barwon in addition to club scorers. Independent Scorer will be the official scorer – clubs will be asked to provide scorers for nominated games on the Monday of each week.

-The Independent Scorer will be responsible for the scoresheet – goals and attempts tracking, centre pass tracking etc.

- a. **Participating Clubs will need to provide a check scorer/timer for each game.**
 - a. The home team will provide the scoreboard operator, the away team will provide a timekeeper.
 - b. The Home Team will look after home team position tracking, and the away team will look after away team position tracking.**
- b. **LIVE SCORES** will be available for all A Grade Finals.
- c. All clubs will be asked to nominate scorers to be allocated to the roster for independent scorers. The roster will be worked around clubs and teams playing.

Starting Line-Up & Team Substitution Information

The starting line-up and team changes information packs will be available to each team on the day and must be collected from the administration office.

*Please ensure your team manager or coach fills out the starting line-up with substitutions and team officials and returns the form to the office **no later than 30 minutes before the match.***

The team substitution form also needs to be filled out for each substitution made during the match and at quarter breaks (including injury substitutions).

Game Times

GFNL Weeks 1 - 3			GFNL Grand Final		
Time	Crt 1	Crt 2	Time	Crt 1	Crt 2
8:30am	13&U Div 1	13&U Div 2	8:00am	13&U Div 1	13&U Div 2
9:35am	15&U Div 1	15&U Div 2	9:15am	15&U Div 1	15&U Div 2
10:40am	17&U Div 1	D Grade	10:30am	17&U Div 1	D Grade
11:45am	C Grade	17&U Div 2	11:45am	C Grade	17&U Div 2
12:55pm	B Grade	19&U	1:05pm	B Grade	19&U
2:00pm		E Grade	2:05pm		E Grade
2:30pm	A Grade		3:15pm	A Grade	

Online Team Selection

Selected teams for **ALL** junior and senior grades are to be **entered online by 12:00pm each WEDNESDAY.**

For Grand Final week – teams should be selected on PlayHQ by **COB Tuesday.**

Any changes to team lists on game day will need to be signed off by an AFL Barwon official.

Presentations

Presentations will be completed after each Grand Final game. Please ask your teams to move quickly to the presentation area after the game. Only the winning side in all age groups will receive medals.

19&U Presentations will take place after the commencement of E Grade.

Umpires

All umpires are supplied by AFL Barwon throughout the entire finals series.

Netballs

Netballs will be supplied by AFL Barwon for **all four weeks** of finals.

First Aid

Clubs will be responsible for their own first aid, taping, etc. during finals as per a normal match day.

A first aid provider will be in attendance on Grand Final Day.

Ice will be available from the office.

Finals Qualification Rules

- 4.10 In The GFNL, 19/U players only, are allowed to play C Grade, D Grade & E Grade finals also as long as they are qualified 5.1.
- 4.11 Players who play 6 games in a lower senior grade automatically qualify for any senior grade higher. (Player must still adhere to all other applicable competitions that restrict player movement eg. 4.9)
- 5.1 Players must take the court in at least 6 games to be eligible to participate in that division's finals series. If the minimum number of games is not played, the player is ineligible to play finals.
- 5.2 Junior players qualified in Division 2 of their age group automatically qualify to play in Division 1 finals of that age group.
- 5.3 Once a player takes the court in the 9th game, they are ineligible to play in a lower grade/ division in the same age group.
- 5.4 A player can only play in one senior game over one weekend of finals.
- 5.5 Any junior is eligible to play in two finals (one junior one senior) over one weekend. Whereby a club does not field midweek teams in an age group, juniors from the age group below will be eligible to partake in two junior finals over one weekend (Not in the same age group).
- 8.10 Players cannot play in both Saturday Division 2 & Friday night Finals over one weekend.
- 16.5 In the GFNL ONLY any junior is eligible to play in two finals – one junior and one senior – over one weekend of finals as long as they are qualified as per rule 5.