



Gold Coast & District Rugby Union Limited

GCDRU 50/18

WELCOME TO THE 2018 BOND UNIVERSITY BLK JUNIOR CYCLONES

Dear Players,

First and foremost, congratulations on being selected in the Training Squad for your age group! This is an acknowledgement of your skill, ability and commitment you have no doubt displayed in your Rugby Career to date.

The Bond University, BLK Junior Cyclones program will hopefully, through your continued hard work and dedication, allow you to progress in your Rugby career to achieve your playing goals to the best of your ability. In recent years we have produced some excellent team and individual results as well as fortunate enough to send players through further representative honours including Queensland Country and Queensland.

This success comes through a culmination of many facets of our organisation from our volunteer coaches and very supportive parent group. The work of all in preparation for the program and as we build towards the QJRU State Championships is much appreciated by GCDRU and I'm sure by each of our players.

Speaking of preparation, your selection in the Training Squad is not the end of the selection process. Each training date is an opportunity for you to continue to push for selection in the final teams of 23 that will contest the State Championships in Brisbane from the 6th to 8th July 2018.

As representative players you now need to ensure you go above and beyond in all areas of your game. Training, recovery, behaviour, listening and learning all play a large part in your continued selection and your ongoing success. While natural ability is a great start, those who put in everything they can will be those that go onto big things.

Finally, good luck to all players as you now fight for a place in that final 23. We are putting together what we think will be our best Junior Cyclones program and I look forward to being able to provide a base for you to launch your Rugby career to new heights!

Yours Sincerely,

Kim Bending
Chairman
GCDRU

22 May 2018

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2018 Junior Cyclones - Key Dates and Program Information:

- All training (Sunday sessions) as indicated and will run from 8:00am sharp through to 10:00am.
- Weekday Sessions (for those age groups) will start at 6:30pm till 7:30pm.
- If wet weather should occur please check Facebook for updates on training arrangements. No notice = training as usual.

Weeks to go!	Month	Date	Event
7	May	Tuesday 22	Announcement of Squads
		Wednesday 23	Under 14 Surfers Paradise RUC Training
6		Sunday 27	Under 12 & 13 Bond University RUC Under 14 Helensvale RUC
		Wednesday 23	Under 14 Surfers Paradise RUC Training
5	June	Saturday 2	Under 16 TBA
		Sunday 3	Under 12 & 13 Bond University RUC Under 14 Helensvale RUC
		Wednesday 6	Under 14 Surfers Paradise RUC Training Under 16 TBA
		Saturday 9	Under 16 TBA
4		Sunday 10	Under 12 & 13 Bond University RUC Under 14 Helensvale RUC
		Wednesday 13	Under 14 Surfers Paradise RUC Training Under 16 TBA
		Saturday 16	Under 16 TBA
3		Sunday 17	Trial Sunny Coast Under 13, 14 and 16 Under 12 training Bond University
		Wednesday 20	Under 14 Surfers Paradise RUC Training Under 16 TBA
		Saturday 23	Under 16 TBA
12 Days		Sunday 24	Under 12 & 13 Bond University RUC Under 14 Helensvale RUC
9 Days		Wednesday 27	Under 14 Surfers Paradise RUC Training Under 16 TBA
6 Days		Saturday 30	Camp
5 Days	July	Sunday 1	Camp
2 Days		Wednesday 4	Under 14 Surfers Paradise RUC Training Under 16 TBA
It's On!		Friday 6	QJRU State Championships - Match Day 1
		Saturday 7	QJRU State Championships - Match Day 2
		Sunday 8	QJRU State Championships Finals

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QJRU State Championships Information

- Games will be played at Albany Creek GPS Rugby Club, 620 South Pine Road, BRENDALE QLD 4500.
- Dates are 6 to 8 July 2018
- Filming and live stream of Finals

QJRU Country Selection

At completion of the State Championships teams to participate in the Country versus City will be announced. The Country versus City squads (Under 13, 14 and 16) assemble in Brisbane on Wednesday 11 July 2018 and go into camp at St Josephs College Nudgee.

The game schedule is:

- Friday 13 July at Ballymore (Under 13 and 14)
- Friday 13 July 2018 at Suncorp Stadium (Under 16) prior to QLD Reds versus Sunwolves at 7:45 pm.

Junior Cyclone Costs

For awareness the GCDRU Board was stood up after receivership in November 2017 and at that stage had no finances available. Through utilisation of sponsorship the GCDRU intends to supplement costs for the Junior Cyclones were possible in 2018 with plans being developed for further support and sponsorship opportunities into 2019 and beyond.

The GCDRU Board will be sending a letter to all Clubs on behalf of the players and request support in raising funds to supplement the individual costs.

At present the working figure for cost is \$650.00, however, this will be reduced once GCDRU finalises known costs.

- The costs breakdown for all participants are:
 - QJRU State Championship Fees (\$209.00)
 - Cyclones Equipment, (which all players keep):
 - Playing Jersey
 - Training Jersey
 - Training "T"
 - Shorts

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- Socks
 - Hoodie
 - Cyclone Polo Shirt
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- Camp 30 June to 1 July 2018
 - Bus Transport to and from Trial at Sunshine Coast
 - Bus Transport to and from venue day 1
 - Lunch each day of competition
 - Team Photo
 - Ticket to St Georges QLD Reds versus Melbourne Rebels on Friday 7th July (A discount code will be provided to all Parent/Guardians that also wish to attend the Match).

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