

NPL Trials 2017 at The Gap FC



Women's Football and The Gap FC

Women's football has been played continuously at The Gap FC for 23 years.

In that time The Gap has risen from a lowly one team 5th Division club to the top of the women's game. Over the past four seasons The Gap's senior women's team has won two preseason Cups, two Premierships, three Elaine Watson Cups, three consecutive Grand Finals in the Brisbane competition as well as being crowned NPL League title winners in the inaugural women's NPL competition.

This outstanding success has been achieved with players that have been developed from within our junior ranks. The Gap has been a leader in youth development for over two decades. The club's long term commitment to a football culture based on excellent technique and a possession-based, attacking playing philosophy has resulted in an unmatched record in helping players achieve their goals whether that be playing first grade for The Gap or playing for Queensland, the QAS, in the W-League or for the Matildas.

The Gap's program is overseen by Technical Director Rob Askew and will adopt a learning first approach for our development teams (under 13-20) underpinned by quality coaching and good facilities. Rob has served as our Technical Director between 1995 and 2008 and first team coach from 1993 until 2006 and 2012 to 2014. He is a B Licensed coach with a Bachelor of Education. Rob was a driving force in not only establishing our club as a leader in women's football but in the development of the majority of our current senior squad. He is the architect of The Gap's renowned brand of modern technical, possession based football.

Mentoring – Benefitting from a wealth of experience!!

Our first team is one of our major assets. No other club can match the wealth of senior, representative and W-League experience within their senior squad. We are certainly fortunate to have so many players of outstanding ability, experience and most importantly character. In 2016 each of our junior players (Under 13s and 15s) were given a mentor from the senior squad to provide encouragement, support and guidance. Tapping into this base of knowledge and experience was of immense value to our ambitious young footballers.



Like many other girls, I have a dream of one day playing for the Roar or the Matildas. I recently joined the Gap Football Club and it was evident from the start that they had a passion for building women's football. They have recently established a mentoring program whereby the younger girls are teamed up with an experienced, senior player. My training partner and mentor was Rebecca Price (AKA) Pricey. With her consistent support and guidance, which is a culture within the club, I was able to build my knowledge and skills while being inspired by her experience and leadership. I believe the mentoring program has been invaluable in my development as a football player and my dreams are one step closer to being a reality.... **Chloe Robertson**

(Chloe received The Gap Player of the Future Award for 2014 and was offered a QAS Scholarship in 2015. In August 2014 she was also invited to attend an Under 17 Australian National Team Camp)

Affordability

The Gap is a club that has a demonstrated long-term commitment to women's football. In fact we are the longest, continuous serving club in the top flight of women's football. To sum up we are in this for the development of the women's game. Few can argue that the cost of playing elite girls football is pricing some girls out of our sport.



We are committed to keep our registration costs as low as humanly possible. To this end we have raised funds that go directly to reducing registration costs. In short we are investing in our young players and women's football. It is still expensive to run an NPL program because of the necessary requirements of Football Queensland and the FFA. However you can rest assured that every cent paid will fund the women's NPL program or contribute to the maintenance of the clubs facilities the girls use.



Parents will also have the opportunity to reduce fees through the Volunteer Levy. We have a very active group of parent volunteers who are all committed to the development of female football. Volunteers who take on a role in the club will receive a \$100 discount.

Training and Facilities

Our NPL junior teams will train three times a week in January and February, and two times a week in the following months. Some flexibility will be built into training programs to allow for those times of year where overall workloads are particularly high.

Tuesday and Thursday will be two of the nights. The exact times and the day of the additional sessions are to be confirmed. Teams will be well equipped and have access to half a field for training as required by Football Queensland.



Trials Dates

Trials will be held between 3 and 13 October on field 2 at The Gap FC.

Date	13s	15s	20s
Week 1			
Mon 3/10/16	5.30-6.45pm		7.00-8.30pm
Wed 5/10/16	5.30-6.45pm		7.00-8.30pm
Thurs 6/10/16	5.30-6.45pm	7.00-8.30pm	
Week 2			
Mon 10/10/16	5.30-6.45pm	7.00-8.30pm	
Wed 12/10/16		5.30-6.45pm	7.00-8.30pm
Thurs 13/10/16		5.30-6.45pm	6.30-8.00pm

Inquiries and Registering Your Interest

If you are interested in trialling please send your expression of interests to Rob Askew at npltd@gapfootball.org.au

Include the following information:

Player Name _____

Date of Birth _____

Parent/Guardians name _____

Email _____

Mobile Numbers _____

Current club _____

Preferred playing position _____

Other relevant information _____

If you have any questions contact Rob Askew at 0407 620 732.