



2018

**SAP & NPL TRIAL INFORMATION PACK**

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Dear footballer,

I would like to thank everyone who has registered to trial and play for Gold Coast United in the PS4 NPL Queensland competition.

A crucial component of any top football club is having a successful youth development system and here at Gold Coast United we will be working hard to provide a youth development system that will support our senior teams and be a leader across the country.

With our trials, only a small group of players will be successful and make the NPL squads. The club will however be looking to provide other development opportunities for those still working towards NPL standard. We have plans in place with local affiliated clubs to ensure those missing selection, continue their football education at a pace to meet NPL requirements.

The club has a tremendous coaching team and I am looking forward to working with them to create an elite environment that provides players the platform to be the very best they can be.

#### ***Style of play***

Throughout the whole club - from U9s through to Senior Men and Women, and across all junior teams - we will be developing a modern attacking brand of football that will give Gold Coast United its own football DNA. Every team will be working to the GCU football philosophy that will see our teams being positive, creative, disciplined and physically fit.

#### ***Trial Selection Process***

Our selection process is based on the combined views of our selection panel made up of the club's youth coaches.

The trials will be centred around the following main factors:

1. Player's decision making skills
2. Body and ball control
3. Game intelligence
4. A winning mentality
5. Presence (Positivity, Creativity, Confidence)

Our values and the culture at Gold Coast United will not only help develop better young footballers but it will also help raise better people. It is a very exciting time for football on the Gold Coast

I would like to wish everyone who trials the very best of luck.

Kind regards

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## TRAIL INFORMATION & SCHEDULE

Our trial schedule has been designed in a way to maximise the amount of time required to ensure all players are adequately viewed and considered. At present, we have anywhere between 4 and 6 one hour sessions planned (depending on the age group), over the period from Tuesday the 3rd of October through to Sunday the 29th of October, with the majority of trials taking place in the first 2 weeks.

The Club is cognisant of the fact that there are other trials over this period and recognise the concern some parents may have that if your child misses selection with United then they may miss out altogether on an NPL position.

Where possible, we will attempt to schedule our trials so that they don't clash with other trials of the same age at another club. If they do, we believe we have built in enough sessions to ensure that players can attend both if they wish. If a coach feels it is necessary, additional sessions can be conducted.

It is our intention to ensure every talented footballer on the Gold Coast gets the opportunity to represent the region at an NPL level.

**Location** - Royal Pines Resort, Benowa

At present our plan is to conduct all trials at the Royal Pines Resort. However, due to some age groups having a large number of registered players, we may need to move individual sessions to another location. Please keep an eye on our web site and Facebook page for any updates before or during trials for any such announcements. Emails will also be sent to the registered age group/s affected notifying of any changes.

### ***What to bring to trials***

Please ensure everyone brings the following:

- A great attitude
- Football attire
- Football boots and shin pads
- Water bottle
- Any medical requirements your child may need

***Be at the venue at least 15 minutes prior to the trial starting.***





## ROYAL PINES VENUE

Ross St, Benowa QLD 4217

Parking is located at the front of the venue.

The football field is located at the rear of the venue.



# GCU 2018 SAP & NPL TRIALS

At Royal Pines (unless otherwise noted).

## WEEK 1

	Mon, 2nd Oct	Tues, 3rd Oct	Wed, 4th Oct	Thurs, 5th Oct	Fri, 6th Oct	Sat, 7th Oct	Sun, 8th Oct
U9 SAP						8:00 - 9:15	
U10 SAP						9:30 - 10:45	
U11 SAP							8:00 - 9:15
U12 SAP							9:30 - 10:45
U13 NPL GIRLS						11:00 - 12:00	11:00 - 12:00
U15 NPL GIRLS						12:30 - 1:30	12:30 - 1:30
U17 NPL GIRLS						2:00 - 3:45	2:00 - 3:45
SENIOR WOMEN						2:00 - 3:45	2:00 - 3:45
U9/10 SAP GIRLS						4:00 - 5:00	4:00 - 5:00
U11/12 SAP GIRLS						4:00 - 5:00	4:00 - 5:00
U13 NPL			4:30 - 5:30		4:30 - 5:30		
U14 NPL			5:45 - 6:45		5:45 - 6:45		
U15 NPL			7:00 - 8:00		7:00 - 8:00		
U16 NPL		4:30 - 5:30		4:30 - 5:30			
U18 NPL		5:45 - 6:45		5:45 - 6:45			
U20 & SENIOR MEN		7:00 - 8:15				8:00am - 10am TSS Southbound	

## WEEK 2

	Mon, 9th Oct	Tues, 10rd Oct	Wed, 11rd Oct	Thurs, 12th Oct	Fri, 13th Oct	Sat, 14th Oct	Sun, 15th Oct
U9 SAP						8:00 - 9:15	
U10 SAP						9:30 - 10:45	
U11 SAP							8:00 - 9:15
U12 SAP							9:30 - 10:45
U13 NPL GIRLS						11:00 - 12:00	11:00 - 12:00
U15 NPL GIRLS						12:30 - 1:30	12:30 - 1:30
U17 NPL GIRLS						2:00 - 3:45	2:00 - 3:45
SENIOR WOMEN						2:00 - 3:45	2:00 - 3:45
U9/10 SAP GIRLS						4:00 - 5:00	4:00 - 5:00
U11/12 SAP GIRLS						4:00 - 5:00	4:00 - 5:00
U13 NPL	4:30 - 5:30		4:30 - 5:30		4:30 - 5:30		
U14 NPL	5:45 - 6:45		5:45 - 6:45		5:45 - 6:45		
U15 NPL	7:00 - 8:00		7:00 - 8:00		7:00 - 8:00		
U16 NPL		4:30 - 5:30		4:30 - 5:30			
U18 NPL		5:45 - 6:45		5:45 - 6:45			
U20 & SENIOR MEN		7:00 - 8:15				8:00am - 10am TSS Southbound	

## WEEK 3

		Tues, 17th Oct	Wed, 18th Oct	Thurs, 19th Oct	Fri, 20th Oct	Sat, 21st Oct	Sun, 22nd Oct
U9 SAP						8:00 - 9:15	
U10 SAP						9:30 - 10:45	
U11 SAP							8:00 - 9:15
U12 SAP							9:30 - 10:45
U20 & SENIOR MEN		7:00 - 8:15				8:00am - 10am TSS Southbound	

## WEEK 4

		Tues, 24th Oct	Wed, 25th Oct	Thurs, 26th Oct	Fri, 27th Oct	Sat, 28th Oct	Sun, 29th Oct
U9 SAP						8:00 - 9:15	
U10 SAP						9:30 - 10:45	
U11 SAP							8:00 - 9:15
U12 SAP							9:30 - 10:45
U20 & SENIOR MEN		7:00 - 8:15				8:00am - 10am TSS Southbound	

\* Any changes to the above will be announced on our Facebook page.