# South Geelong Kings Basketball Club

# Trial and Team Selection Process

# Overview:

At South Geelong Kings Basketball Club, our trial and team selection process are designed to cater to both competitive and community-focused players. We aim to create an inclusive environment that values skill development, team camaraderie, and opportunities for growth. The process varies for Championship/Division 1 (Div 1) teams and other divisions including community/social teams.

# Championship/Division 1 Teams:

# 1. Active Advertisement and Recruitment:

- We actively advertise tryouts for Champs and Division 1 teams, emphasising a competitive and challenging environment.
- Players attending try outs are permitted to encourage friends to attend enhance cohesion and grow the club, with the understanding that selections are merit based with no guarantees for additional players.

# 2. Joint Tryouts for Champs and Div 1:

- Championship and Division 1 teams may have joint tryouts to create a competitive atmosphere.
- Anyone outside the club not designated as a selector, including players will not have the option to choose teammates, emphasising the goal of fostering competitiveness.

# 3. Training Availability Consideration:

- Team selections will consider training availability to ensure commitment and consistent team development.
- Opportunities for collaborative training between Championship and Division 1 teams to build a supportive community will be taken into consideration.

# 4. Cross-Opportunities:

- Players from Division 1 teams have opportunities to fill in for Championship teams, fostering collaboration and skill development.
- Players in junior championship divisions may also have opportunity to play up age groups, promoting a pathway to the next level.

# Other Division/Community and Social Teams:

#### 1. Friendship-Focused Teams:

- Emphasis on keeping players who wish to play with friends together.
- A more relaxed atmosphere with a focus on enjoyment and community spirit.

#### 2. Inclusive Tryout Option:

- Other division/community and social teams typically do not have formal tryouts.
- Players who wish to tryout will be welcome at the Championship/Division 1 tryout, emphasising inclusivity.

#### 3. Skill Level and Division Inclusivity:

- All players and coaches, regardless of skill level or division are encouraged to attend Championship/Division 1 tryouts.
- Ensures an inclusive and supportive community within the club.

#### 4. Pathways for Development:

- Other division/community and social teams serve as platforms for players to enjoy the game and develop skills.
- Players who may not make Championship/Division 1 teams always have the potential for selection and a place in these teams to continue their basketball journey.

# Note:

This dual-tiered approach allows South Geelong Kings Basketball Club to balance competitiveness at the higher levels while fostering a sense of community and enjoyment at the other levels. Our commitment to inclusivity, skill development, and player growth ensures that every member, regardless of skill level, finds a meaningful place within our club.