

# Raptors

## SOFTBALL CLUB SENIOR WOMENS GUIDE





# WHO ARE WE

Raptors softball club was established in 2022 by a group of passionate players of the game. We are proud to offer a positive, friendly and fun club environment for all lovers of softball and team sports.

We may be a young club but we come with a multitude of experience, passion and skills.

Raptors softball Club are committed to growing softball in the north of Adelaide and are a welcoming space for both new players and seasoned veterans of the game.

Our junior and women's teams play as part of the Central Districts Softball Association and our men's team will be a part of the Northern Areas Men's Softball Association which both play at the Playford and Districts Softball Association grounds in Elizabeth South.

If you have any questions or would like to come and join in on our fun and unique brand of softball then please email us at [raptorssoftballclub@gmail.com](mailto:raptorssoftballclub@gmail.com).

We hope you will join us as a future team-mate.

Go Raptors!



## Association

The Raptors softball club play junior and women's softball as part of the Central Districts Softball Association in the North of Adelaide, at Ridley Road, Elizabeth South, a stone's throw from Elizabeth Shopping Centre.

## Training

We train at the Parafield Gardens Soccer and Sports Club located on Bradman Road, Parafield Gardens. Our pre-season training commences in August. We will announce dates and times on our social media pages. When daylight savings begins we will re-assess and training may move to another evening based on what is best for the majority of our members.

## Games

Games for women are played on Saturdays from October to April. Games commence at either 12:45, 2:45 or 4:45pm. We ask that you arrive one hour before the game commencement time so that you can park your car, settle in and warm up before the game. We play at Ridley Reserve in Elizabeth South.

## Volunteering

From time to time we will ask that you volunteer your time to help with fundraising events, umpiring and canteen duties. Volunteering is an important part of how our club can grow and thrive. We ask that all people participating in our club dedicate some time to volunteering to help secure our club's growth.



# Fundraising

It is through fundraising that we can keep club fees low, buy equipment and thrive as a club. We have several different fundraising opportunities during the season and we encourage all of our members to participate in these. There are incentives for players and officials who participate in these initiatives and hit targets which include fee discounts and free uniform and merchandise items. We want to help our members, as well as our club, thrive.

# Uniform

Uniforms are navy blue and orange with white and light blue accents. You will need to purchase your playing top and shorts through us before the season. Pants are specially made directly through Emmsee Sportswear. Sizing kits and pricing will be available on registration day. It is expected that you will play in full uniform, otherwise, there are fines issued from CDSA & NAMSA for uniform breaches without valid reasons and permits. Merchandise such as jackets, training t-shirts etc are also available to order through the club. We have a high standard of presentation and ask that you are in the appropriate uniform on games days.

# Team Building

During the season and off-season, we aim to have team-building outings and events. These include dinners, movie nights, bowling etc. We think it is important that we model mateship as part of our team values and these events help to foster that.



## Fees

Your Fees are paid for in two parts. One portion is paid directly to softball SA in full and the other portion is your club fees that you pay to us.

You must pay your softball SA registration fee online before the commencement of the first game. You will receive a link to make your softball SA payment online before the season. This covers your insurance and registration into Softball SA's database. As an estimate, in the 22/23 season this fee was approx \$120, but please be prepared for a price increase.

Our club has a number of expenses to cover including regular match fees for our teams to take the diamond. At the beginning of the season you can choose to pay your club fees in full or on a payment plan schedule. There is a slight discount for payment of full fees before the first game of the season. We will invoice you on the day you are registering depending on what option you would like to do.

When you register you pay a \$50 non-refundable registration fee and then you will be invoiced for the remainder of your fees and given a due date. Payment plans are available but must be settled before January games commence after the Christmas break.

You will be invoiced an additional \$175 after your \$50 registration fee is paid, with payment due before round one of games and making your club fees portion \$225.

Players must be financial before the Christmas break in December. Our club treasurer is always here to help you sort out any issues with your fees or making payments.

# UNIFORM

Current Season Uniform



Other items of clothing allowed are:

White Undershirt

White Sliders

choice between pants or shorts. Pants and shorts will have side stripes and need to be ordered through us or through Emmsee.

Belt is optional

# USEFUL LINKS

If viewing this online you can click the links below which will take you straight to the website

## **CENTRAL DISTRICTS SOFTBALL ASSOCIATION**

<https://www.revolutionise.com.au/cdsa/>

## **SOFTBALL SOUTH AUSTRALIA**

<https://www.softballsa.com.au/home/>

## **SOFTBALL AUSTRALIA**

<https://www.softball.org.au/home/>

## **RAPTORS SOFTBALL CLUB WEBSITE**

<https://www.raptorssoftballclub.com/>

## **RAPTORS SOFTBALL CLUB FACEBOOK PAGE**

<https://www.facebook.com/raptorssoftballclub>

## **RAPTORS SOFTBALL CLUB INSTAGRAM PAGE**

<https://www.instagram.com/raptorssoftballclub/>

## **EMMSEE SPORTSWEAR**

<https://www.emmsee.com.au/>

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