

# Raptors

## SOFTBALL CLUB SENIOR MENS 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 plays men's softball as part of the Northern Areas Men's Softball Association. They play their games in Elizabeth South at Ridley reserve which is a stones 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 late August/ early September. Dates and times will be released closer to the season. When daylight savings begins we train on a weeknight that works best for the majority of our members.

## Games

Games for men are held mostly on Friday nights under lights but there are some weekday and weekend games scheduled during the season.

## 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 through us before the season. Sizing kits and pricing will be available on registration day. Your pants need to be white cricket or baseball pants. Socks are Orange. It is expected that you will play in full uniform, otherwise, there are fines issued from NAMSA for uniform breeches 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 but you must make regular payments if opting for a payment plan.

When you register you pay a \$50 non-refundable registration fee and then the balance of your fees will be due depending on if you decide you are paying in full before the season starts or doing a payment plan.

If paying club fees in full you will be invoiced an additional \$145 after your \$50 registration fee is paid, with payment due before round one of games and making your total club fees \$195.

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 Undershirts  
Orange Belt is optional

# USEFUL LINKS

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## **NORTHERN AREAS MENS SOFTBALL ASSOCIATION**

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

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

## **SOFTBALL AUSTRALIA**

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

## **RAPTORS SOFTBALL CLUB WEBSITE**

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