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WELCOME

Welcome to Newport Calisthenics Club (NCC).

We are delighted that you have decided to join us and look forward to supporting you in achieving great success with your sections in 2023.

INTRODUCTION

The NCC Members Handbook is your resource guide which contains important information for the 2022 Calisthenics Season.

Members are required to read and familiarise themselves with the following documents prior to the commencement of classes:

➤ NCC Members Handbook

NCC Constitution

Contact admin@newportcc.com.au

ABOUT NEWPORT CALISTHENICS CLUB

Newport Calisthenics Club was established in 1932 and originally operated out of the Newport Baptist Church on Mason Street in Newport.

Newport has a strong participant base of over 80 families who attend the club, some across multiple generations. We are a competitive club and each section attends approximately 4-5 competitions each year. We have teams in sections from Tinies through to Masters, along with several members who also choose to compete in Solo, Duo, and Graceful competitions.

Calisthenics overall has grading's from Championship level through to Division 11. Sections at Newport Calisthenics Club vary, ranging from Division 2 through to Division 5.

NCC operates under the Newport Calisthenics Club Inc. Constitution and Rules, January 2019 as well as the NCC Policies and Guidelines Handbook. NCC is also guided by the framework of the Australian Calisthenics Federation.

These guidelines exist to ensure that everyone at the club has a clear understanding of their obligations, whether they are a competing member, parent/guardian, volunteer, or coach.

Our coaches are fully qualified, being Level 1 Coaches, meeting all Victorian Calisthenics Coaches Association and Calisthenics Victoria's requirements. NCC's Coaches also hold Level 2 First Aid Certificates and Working with Children Checks.

Our club is a not-for-profit organisation and is run by a volunteer-based Committee which is made up of members of the club



AUSTRALIAN CALISTHENICS FEDERATION (ACF)

The Australian Calisthenics Federation (ACF) is the governing body of the sport of calisthenics in Australia. One of their main functions is to keep the standard and content of calisthenics consistent Australia-wide. This is especially necessary to allow all states to compete in national competitions which are held annually. Website: <u>http://calisthenicsaustralia.org</u>



CALISTHENICS VICTORIA (CV)

Calisthenics Victoria is the recognised state sporting association for calisthenics in Victoria.

They are a member-based organisation, governed by a voluntary Board who oversee the strategic direction of the organisation.

The Board is elected at the Annual General Meeting, and includes: President, Secretary, Director of Finance, Director of Competitions, Adjudicator Representative, Coach Representative and up to four General Members who meet monthly and make decisions relating to the future direction of the sport. Volunteer committees coordinate a number of areas including the State Championships, Competitions, Grading and our talented Coaches throughout Victoria.

Calisthenics Victoria has an office in Oakleigh, with a team of committed staff who manage the day-to-day administration of the sport, volunteers, committees, clubs, coaches, performers, and their families, and works with a range of stakeholders outside the sport. Website: http://calisthenics.asn.au



2023 COMMITTEE

The NCC Committee is made up of competing members, parents/guardian, and volunteers and consists of an Executive and General Committee members. Positions on the Committee are elected annually at the Annual General Meeting (AGM).

Executive members include: President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer. General committee members are also appointed, and these members each are responsible for a specific portfolio, which assists in the planning and every day running of the club.

Meetings are held on average once a month. All parents/guardians and members over 18 years of age, as well as the coaches are welcome to attend.

The committee is guided by the Newport Calisthenics Club Inc. Constitution and Rules, January 2019. This document can be found on the NCC Website or please contact the NCC Secretary to obtain a digital copy.

Our Committee members are listed in Newport's BandApp.



CLASS

Please refer to Newport's BandApp for class times and locations. Changes to times or locations will be updated on Newport's BandApp.

What to Bring to Class

- ≻ Rods
- > Clubs
- Practise Aesthetics Skirt (Excluding tinies section)
- > Water bottle
- A healthy snack
- Props/Costumes when required

What to Wear to Class

It is very important to be able to move freely during class and for Coaches to be able to assess and correct posture and movement. Loose clothing is not allowed as this can impede movement, cause problems when using apparatus, and cause injuries. Feet must be bare during classes and hair should be neat and worn up.

Appropriate clothing includes:

- Leotard (long or short sleeve)
- > Leggings
- > Stirrups
- Dance/bike shorts
- Cross over top

All items must be **BLACK**. Some of these items can be purchased via our on-line Merchandise store, dance stores or retails shops. All equipment must be sized correctly for each member by the coach at the beginning of the year and can only be taken home once the first fee instalment has been paid.

Rods, clubs and a practice aesthetics skirt can be purchased through NCC at the beginning of the year through our online store.

Please see the members fees policy on page 20 for more information regarding the hiring, purchase, and return of apparatus.

ATTENDANCE

Regular attendance and punctuality are essential in any team sport, and it is expected at NCC for members of all teams. Without regular attendance it is difficult for the cohesive progress of the team and for the individual to keep up with the new work taught each week. **Practices may continue throughout school holidays (coaches discretion)**, but class times, days and venues may vary. Your Team Manager will notify you of any changes to classes.

Team members are asked to arrive approximately 10 minutes before the start of class to allow for class to commence on time. We do not encourage members to attend class if they are unwell. If you are unwell, or for any other reason are unable to attend class, or will arrive late, please notify the Coach and/or Team Manager.

Parents/Guardians and siblings are not to enter the hall during class unless invited in by the coach to ensure the teams can focus on their lesson and get through the work required.

As a duty of care, we cannot allow team members under the age of 18 to leave the hall on their own after lessons. If a parent/guardian has not attended practice, please ensure you come to the hall to collect your child at the end of their scheduled class time (do not wait in the car park).

LOST PROPERTY

All items are required to be clearly marked with members' names. Every attempt will be made to collect lost property by your Sections Administrators and Coaches, however there is no responsibility taken for items lost.

At competitions and backstage, we strongly discourage participants bringing items of value. The rooms are very open and we cannot guarantee the security of any item left in these areas. Only bring these items on the proviso that it is at your own risk.

MEDICAL EMERGENCIES AT CLASS AND COMPETITIONS

Medical conditions must be disclosed during the registration process. Where required management plans must be uploaded during registration or a copy emailed to the secretary (<u>admin@newportcc.com.au</u>) and a copy will be provided to the section's coaching team.

If an insurance report is required, refer to the policies and procedures handbook or contact your Team Manager.

Medical clearance must be provided before a member can return to active engagement in class, performance or competition. Medical clearance certificates should be emailed to the secretary (admin@newportcc.com.au).

2023 Suite of Items

Section	Items Performed
Tinies	Freearm, Rods, Aesthetics, Song & Dance,
Sub-Juniors	March, Clubs, Freearm, Rods, Aesthetics, Song & Dance
Juniors	March, Clubs, Freearm, Rods, Aesthetics, Revue
Seniors	March, Clubs, Freearm, Rods, Rhythmical Aesthetics, Dance Arrangement
Masters	March, Clubs, Freearm, Rods, Aesthetics, Revue

Competition Uniform

Members are required to wear our NCC club uniform on the arrival and departure of competitions, attending our end of year concert or any event where the member is representing NCC.

The uniform consists of;

- > NCC Club Jacket (Compulsory item for all members) Approximately \$65.00
- Club Polo or Black T-shirt (no logos)
- Black dance pants or Black Leggings
- > Plain black shoes (no slippers, thongs or Ugg boots)

Any competitive member attending a competition as a supporter is encouraged to wear a club top and/or jacket teamed with black pants, as you are representing NCC.

When competing at a competition, other non-compulsory items such as a onesie, hoodie or long sleeve tee can be worn backstage during the competition and/or at breaks but must not be worn on arrival or departure from the competition.

Merchandise can be purchased from the NCC Online Store can be found at www.newportcc.com.au

For all enquiries please email our Merchandise Coordinator merchandise@newportcc.com.au

Please Note: these are competition rules set by CV.



CALISTHENICS VICTORIA REGISTRATION FEE

In addition to the NCC Annual Member Fees, Members must also register with Calisthenics Victoria (CV) at the start of each year. This provides each member with 12 months insurance and membership with CV.

The cost to register will be \$90 per member (including GST).

Members competing in Solo Competitions need to be registered with CV before 14 February 2023 to be eligible to compete.

All other members need to register by **1st March 2023** to attend class with the Club. Coaches can ask members to sit out until they are registered as no insurance cover is provided until registration is completed. If you are trialling a class (new member), then you must register for our 'come n try classes' before you attend via Revolutionise. Registration needs to be completed and paid after your two (2) week trial ends before you can continue.

MEMBERSHIP FEES

NCC is a not-for-profit club that relies on members fees, sponsorships, grants, and fundraising to remain viable. NCC's aim is to be competitive, inclusive and supportive of our Members and make the cost of involvement and payment of fees as easy as possible for its members.

NCC Annual Member Fees

The Annual Member Fees are the yearly costs for a member to participate in Calisthenics at NCC. They include, but are not limited to:

Item	Tinies	Subbies	Juniors	Inters	Seniors	Masters
Cost of coaches and assistants	1	1	1	1	1	1
Cost of hall hire	1	1	1	1	1	1
Competition Entry Fees	1	1	1	1	1	1
Extra practices prior to competitions	~	1	1	1	1	1
Club and Rod Hire	<i>✓</i>	1	1			
Costume Hire	<i>✓</i>	1	1	1	1	1
Fancy item one off costumes	1	1	1	1		
Medals/trophies/awards	1	1	1	1	1	1
Stage Rehearsal	1	1	1	1	1	1
Concert (participating member costs)	1	1	1	1	1	1
Club running costs	1	1	1	1	1	1

Club running costs include, but are not limited to:

- > Operation Costs: Bank Fees and Charges, Government Fees, Liability Insurance, Purchase, Repairs and Maintenance of Equipment
- > Club Administration: Website, Email Addresses, PO Box, storage
- Replenishment of First Aid Stock
- Promotion/Marketing

Fee Instalments

In 2023 fees can be paid via the below instalment options:

- Annual Payment (1) instalment
- > Four (4) instalments
- Seven (7) Monthly instalments

All fees must be paid in a timely manner with payments due 14 days after invoices are issued. All fees are due on the 28th of the applicable month. Invoices will include available payment options details

Note: credit card payments will incur a surcharge

Statements will automatically generate monthly for outstanding invoices.

Frequency of Fee Payment Options

2023 Fees					
	Annual Payment Due 31 March 2023	4 Instalments (Mar, May, July, Sep)	7 Monthly Instalments (Mar - Sep)		
Tinies	\$900	\$225	\$128.57		
Sub-Juniors	\$1,036	\$259	\$148		
Juniors	\$1,036	\$259	\$148		
Inters	\$1,100	\$275	\$157.14		
Seniors	\$1,100	\$275	\$157.14		
Masters	\$1,100	\$275	\$157.14		

Fee increases have been kept to a minimum by the Committee and it should be noted that the below changes have been made in 2023:

- Small flat fee \$30 increase to all sections
- Inclusion of the fundraising levy into the annual fees
- Fancy item allowance for Sub-Juniors and Juniors

Once you have registered with the Club, a fee election form will be emailed to you providing the option for you to select your payment frequency, request applicable discounts and agree to our fees policy

Fundraising Levy

This levy has now been added into fees to simplify payments and streamline club activities and events. Our main fundraising event is our annual Trivia Night. All members are expected to support this event. Funds raised from this event will go towards members' trophies and medals presented at Presentation night and the balance is allocated to the Club to support club activities.

Additional fundraising activities will be organised during the year to assist with competition costs.

Family and Other Fee Discounts

In 2023 the below fee discounts will be on offer:

- 10% Family discount: discount on the annual fees for the lowest paying member of the same family. For example, if a family has a Sub-Junior and Junior student the 10% discount is applied to the Sub-Junior member's fees. Families with (2) or more members under the age of 18 will be considered a family and will be eligible for the discount. Siblings over the age of 18 will no longer be considered as part of a family and no discount will apply.
- 5% Assistant Rebate: Assistants are entitled to a rebate on their (or their child's fees) once all expectations and criteria have been met for the year. Rebate applied on the last fee instalment.

Additional Items Required

The following table outlines a list of additional extras which may need to be purchased.

Compulsory Out of Pocket Expenses						
	Tinies	Subbies	Juniors	Inters	Seniors	Masters
Club Jacket	v	1	1	1	1	1
Rod, and Clubs				1	1	1
Class attire – leggings, leotards, all black	1	1	✓	✓	1	<i>✓</i>
Practise Aesthetics Skirt	v	1	1	1	1	1
Leg tan, makeup, hairpins, hair nets and hairspray	1	1	✓	✓	1	<i>✓</i>
Dance Shoes (If specified by coach)	✓	1	1	1	✓	1
Bodysuit	~	1	1	1	~	1
Wiglet (If specified by coach)	✓					

Optional Extras		
Additional Merchandise	Rod Covers – recommended for safety reasons	Photography/ Videography
Ballarat Accommodation	Audience concert tickets and Program	Event Tickets
Body Boards for Sequining	Audience Competition Tickets	Medal Sash or Vest
Skill level classes & exams - optional & invoiced separately	Solo fees - if participating - optional and invoiced separately	

Please Note: Some above items will be sourced by your team's Section Manager and they will advise members of these associated costs.

These items must be paid at the time of ordering and are separate to the membership fees.

RODS / CLUBS / PRACTISE AESTHETICS SKIRTS

- > Tinies / Sub-Juniors / Juniors hire rods and/or clubs from the club.
 - New members are only able to take home these items once their first fee instalment has been paid.
 - Tinies, Sub-Juniors and Junior members are to hand back their clubs and rod at the annual concert
- Intermediates / Seniors / Masters own their clubs and rods.
 - o Intermediate, Senior and Master members retain their rods and clubs at all times
 - These sections can either source their own apparatus, or contact the Costume Coordinator to purchase one through the club via email <u>Costumes@newportcc.com.au</u>
 - All purchases through the club must be paid in full in order to receive the apparatus
 - There is a replacement fee of \$30 if clubs or rods are damaged or broken. Section Managers or coaches will notify the Treasurer regarding any broken clubs or rods so that the Treasurer can invoice the member for the replacement.

	Rod	Clubs	Practise Aesthetics Skirt
Apparatus / Equipment	From \$6	From \$40	From \$30

Please Note: Base prices are as quoted in 2022 for the smallest size.

Return of Apparatus

Tinies, Sub-juniors, and juniors hire their clubs and rods from the club to reduce expenses and these items remain property of the club.

At the beginning of the year, coaches will distribute apparatus to members who can take them home once both the CV registration and the first fee instalment is paid in full and will hold onto the apparatus throughout the callisthenics season.

At the NCC Annual Concert members from these sections must hand their apparatus back to the coach once they come off stage.

For members engaged in the end of year ACF skills program, they will hold onto their apparatus and return them to the coach once their exam concludes.

COMPETITIONS

- > All sections compete in competitions each year from approximately July until October.
- > Each section will generally attend 4-5 competitions per year, competing against similar graded clubs from the same age group.
- > Competition dates are not advised by Calisthenics Victoria until late May or early June.
 - The competitions are located within the Melbourne metropolitan area (e.g., Burwood, Broadmeadows, Forest Hill, and Geelong). A yearly competition is also held at Ballarat.
 - Competitions are a compulsory requirement for Calisthenics.
 - Non-attendance does affect the performance and its members on stage as it will change the choreographed patterns and partner work and the team may incur a 5-point deduction per item.

Prior to Competition Arrival

- > Members need to arrive at competitions at least one (1) hour prior to commencement.
 - This allows time for the Members to have make-up applied and warm-up/practice.
 - Members will need to wear bodysuits or flesh coloured underpants under their leotards. These can be purchased from dance shops.
- Members are required to have foundation and leg tan (as specified by Section Coach) applied prior to arriving at competitions and all jewellery and nail polish needs to be removed.
- > The coach will inform you as to how they would like hair to be styled, which again needs to be done prior to arrival.
- At competitions, all competing members are required to arrive and depart from competitions wearing the Newport Calisthenics Club uniform, which consists of the NCC Club Jacket and Polo, black dance pants/black leggings, and plain black shoes.
 - Only during the competition and at either a lunch or dinner break can members wear alternative NCC merchandise such as a hoodie, onesie, vest etc.

At Competition

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- Coaches and Assistants will apply all make-up aside from foundation and mascara. Some sections may be required to wear fake eyelashes; this will be specified by your Section Coach.
- > The coaching team are the only helpers allowed in the dressing rooms during competitions.
 - ALL parents/guardians who enter the dressing room to pick up or drop off their child will be required to complete a Working with Children Check.
 - You are able to get this check free of charge by going to www.workingwithchildren.vic.gov.au. Please arrange this before the end of May, as the card can take up to six weeks to arrive and you will need to have it prior to the first competition date or be asked upon entering the rooms.
- > All Members within the Club attending competitions are required to pay their own entry fees.
 - These fees vary from competition to competition.
 - Most competitions require you to pay cash on the day and some competitions offer an online payment option which often involves a discount for entry.
- At times our Club may be asked to arrange a door person to assist at competitions. The Club would appreciate support from anyone who can help out on the day.
 - Each venue may have varied rules and all members **MUST** adhere strictly to these rules.
 - We ask if you take children/siblings with you to competitions to watch our members perform so that they do not run around the auditoriums and show respect for the other teams performing on stage.
 - Should your children become loud and restless during competition we ask that you take them into the foyer area so the Members performing are not distracted.
- Members who are performing are not allowed to enter the auditoriums unless the coaches have given their approval, and at all times outside the dressing rooms competitors must wear their NCC merchandise as well as covering their legs and feet.
 - Together with Calisthenics Victoria, NCC promotes healthy eating. We encourage all members to bring along healthy food options to competitions.
 - Please be mindful that due to time restraints it may be impractical for Members to join family and friends during the break, we ask that you please be respectful of this.
 - Please ensure whilst your child is eating, whether it be inside or outside the dressing room, that their costumes are covered either with a dressing gown, blanket, or NCC Merchandise.

Competition Etiquette

We ask all Members, parents/guardians and supporters to please abide by the following;

- > Observe and obey theatre rules on where you can eat or drink.
- Show respect for those volunteering their time to help the competition run smoothly, such as door people and marshals and obey their rules.
- > Respect participants and fellow audience members by not talking whilst teams are on stage.

- Give recognition to all teams who perform on the stage, but NO TEAM CALLING. We don't want the adjudicator to know which teams are competing.
- > Be quiet around the stage area, as you can be heard from most dressing rooms and in the audience.
- Keep all your belongings together as there are others using the dressing room. Personal items and valuables should be left with parents/guardians or with a representative of your club. (Calisthenics Victoria and its ancillary organisations/committees and theatres take no responsibility for any losses)
- > Stay in the theatre for all speeches and aggregate presentations.
- > Clean and tidy the dressing rooms at the completion of competitions.
- > Do not talk to the Adjudicator, writers or timers during the competition, even if you know the person.
- > All electronic devices are to be switched off in the theatre.
- > Do not move around the theatre during performances.
- > Observe all Smoke Free designated areas.

For Competitors

- > Wear NCC uniform to and from competitions
- > Do not lean or press against the walls when wearing leg tan or lipstick.
- > Competitors shall not sit in the first two rows of the theatre.
- > Do not verbally criticise your fellow competitors or the Adjudicator.
- > For the comfort of those around you refrain from walking around backstage in your body suit.
- > Pants and shoes should always be worn in the theatre.

ACF CALISTHENICS SKILLS PROGRAM (SKILLS EXAMS)

Developed by the Australian Society of Calisthenics in 1979 to raise the standards of Calisthenics and to unify terminology and technique, the Calisthenics Skills Program has now been implemented Australia wide. The syllabus, which is determined by the ACF, is taught throughout Australia and is setting high standards of training for pupils each year.

The syllabus is designed to develop:

- ➤ Fitness
- Sense of achievement
- > Flexibility
- > Musicality
- Coordination and Rhythm
- Deportment and posture
- Technique and Skills

Members can choose to participate in skill levels through Calisthenics Victoria depending on their age. Members are required to complete their levels if they wish to compete in solo competitions or undertake their cadetship. Newport Calisthenics is committed to supporting and encouraging all students who wish to undertake these examinations.

NCC coaches can provide coaching, either individually or in small groups, and examinations are held at various venues and times throughout the Calisthenics year.

In addition, members who wish to progress towards Cadet Coaching, or obtaining a Level 1 coaching qualification, must attain certain levels of pupil skills to proceed. This ensures consistency and that they can demonstrate and teach correct technique. Age requirements for each level are available on the Calisthenics Victoria website.

Skills Level	Approximate Fees	Important Note
Test 1 & 2	\$85	The fees listed above are based on the 2022 Skill
Test 3	\$100	Program Fees. Fees are subject to change due to venue
Grade 1	\$100	availability, coaches wages, or number of participants in a skill level.
Grade 2, 3, & 4	\$115	
Bronze & Silver Medal	\$On Application	
Gold Medal	\$On Application	

If you have any enquiries, please contact the Operations Manager via email: <u>Ops@newportcc.com.au</u>or go to <u>https://www.revolutionise.com.au/cvi/hub/skills/</u>

SOLO, DUO, TRIO & GRACEFUL GIRL COMPETITIONS

Calisthenics Solo, Duo, and Trio items provide an opportunity for NCC Performers to learn a routine on their own, or with a friend, and perform at competitions held in the first half of the year, throughout Victoria.

In 2023, CV will run introductory recreational performances where members will have the opportunity to work on stage in a non-competitive setting.

Calisthenics Graceful Solo

The performer works to a flowing piece of music, and interprets the music through story, body movements and facial expressions, to exhibit technique, softness, and emotion.

Calisthenics Physie Solo

The performer/(s) combines aspects of dance and freearm to demonstrate natural uniformity of rhythm and grace through strong technique, strength, control, flexibility, and stamina

For additional information: http://calisthenics.asn.au/competitions/solo-and-duo-competitions/

	5 - 7 yrs	8 - 10 yrs	11 - 17 yrs	18+ yrs	26+ yrs
Calisthenics Solo	✓	✓	1	✓	✓
Graceful Solo		✓	1	1	✓
Duo		✓	1	✓	✓
Trio			1	1	
		Can compete in <u>all 3</u> sections offered	Can compete in <u>all 4</u> sections offered	Can compete in <u>all 4</u> sections offered	Can compete in <u>all 3</u> sections offered

Eligibility

In 2023, solos are available for all members aged 5 years and above, please see the table above for item eligibility.

Expressions of interest in partaking in a solo, duo or trio will be sent out by NCC in November 2023 to allow time for registration, and appointment of coach (where needed) for the 2023 Solo Competition Season

Coach Appointment

NCC has a range of qualified coaches available to members. If you are new to solos, NCC can appoint a coach on your behalf after receiving your expression of interest.

Responsibilities

The coach is responsible for organising hall hire (in conjunction with NCC), training days and time, music choice and choreography, providing advice on costume options and supporting performers on the days of competition (including preparing hair and makeup). Please ensure you are registered and entered into competitions on time to avoid late fees or entry rejection.

Expenses

NCC does not include solo seasons in the NCC Annual Member Fees. All costs involved must be negotiated with the chosen coach and NCC can facilitate invoicing and payments with coaches agreement (where using NCC coaches). Expected costs include:

- > Coaching fees prices are set by the coach and are external to NCC. Payments can be facilitated by NCC.
- > Hall hire Please have discussions with your chosen coach as prices are set by the venue Payments can be facilitated by NCC.
- Costumes, headpieces and props- Costumes and headpieces can be custom made, purchased, or hired. NCC has a range of costumes available for hire (Please contact the Committee Costume Coordinator <u>costumes@newportcc.com.au</u>) There are also community facebook pages selling and/or hiring out costumes.
- Competition entry fees Competition entry fees range from \$50 to \$85 per item and are set by Calisthenics Victoria and local competitions (recreational fees to be released in late January 2023 by CV). These must be entered by soloists directly
- > Performance USB/Photos order of on-stage photography and/or videography will be available in 2023.

NCC COSTUME FOR SOLO, DUO OR GRACEFUL HIRE

Should a coach/member wish to hire an NCC Core item costume for their solo, duo, trio or graceful item the following applies;

- > Coaches to seek written approval from NCC Costume Coordinator
- > No alterations or revamping can be made to the costume
- > Photos of the costume before and after hire are required to be submitted
- > A bond and hire fees are to be paid in advance before collection of the costume

Section	Bond for Core	Hire of Core Item Costume	Bond for Aesthetics Costume	Hire of Aesthetics Costume
Tinies	\$55	\$30	N/A	N/A
Sub-Juniors	\$70	\$40	\$120	\$60
Juniors	\$70	\$40	\$120	\$60
Intermediates	\$85	\$60	\$155	\$80
Seniors	\$85	\$60	\$155	\$80
Masters	\$85	\$60	\$155	\$80

Headgear can be hired for \$10 with a \$10 deposit per item

NCC EVENTS

Solo Display

This event is held at the end of the Solo Competition season to provide an additional performance opportunity for NCC Soloists. Expressions of interest from 2023 Soloists will be sought at the start of the year, to determine the location and timing of the event.

Stage Rehearsal

This event is held in the lead up to competitions commencing and attendance is compulsory for all competing members. Teams will be notified of their allocated time and members will be expected to attend to assist coaches and teams to perfect performances in preparation for the commencement of Section Competitions.

NCC Annual End of Year Concert

At the conclusion of the competition season, NCC holds an end of year Concert in early-mid November. It is a relaxed and fun way to finish the NCC Calisthenics year where all teams can perform and display all of the hard work and effort that has gone into perfecting their items during the year. Parents/guardians, families and friends are encouraged to come along to this concert and support our Members and Club.

Trivia Night

Trivia Night is an annual event organised by the Fundraising Officer and Events Coordinator as a fun competition where teams battle to see who has greatest knowledge of trivia and acts as NCC's largest fundraising event with raffles, door prizes, and more. The Trivia Night helps to fund costs associated with the NCC Annual Concert, Presentation Night, Stage Rehearsal, Photographer, Videographer, and marketing expenses.

Presentation Night

Presentation Night is a formal event held in early-mid November to celebrate the achievements of the club, members, and volunteers with awards presented across a number of categories such as:

- Competition Medals
- Soloist/Duo Awards
- > Years of Service and Perpetual Trophies
- Coaches and Attendance Awards

AWARDS

At the end of the year competing participants of NCC are given a medal for team items they have competed in and placed first, second or third.

Perpetual Trophies and Awards

At the end of each year, to celebrate our members who show outstanding calisthenics skill, the club can award four (4) perpetual trophies. These are awarded to competing members who display our club values including team spirit, respect, discipline, cooperation, dedication, commitment, and friendship. These perpetual trophies are Junior Premier Girl, Senior Premier Girl, Club Girl, and Sue Maynard Perpetual Trophy.

Junior Premier Girl

Awarded to a Tinie, Sub-Junior or Junior team member who demonstrates a

continued excellence in the artistic skills of calisthenics. One who strives to continually perform at the highest level of competence, is a valuable team member, and contributes positively to the team and does her utmost to display outstanding personal qualities. One who is accepting of feedback and continues to excel through self-determination.

Senior Premier Girl

Awarded to an Intermediate, Senior or Master team member who demonstrates a continued excellence in the artistic skills of calisthenics. One who strives to continually perform at the highest level of competence, is a valuable team member, and contributes positively to the team and does her utmost to display outstanding personal qualities. One who is accepting of feedback and continues to excel through self-determination.

Sue Maynard Perpetual Trophy

We recognise this award in honour and memory of Sue, who was a past parent of NCC. Sue embodied the spirit of the aesthetics section. Sue loved the music, grace, and poise of aesthetics, and being a hairdresser, always ensured the girls looked beautiful and had the most stunning hairstyles for aesthetics. To enhance her wonderful hair styles, Sue was amazing at creating headgears and made sure they matched the girl's aesthetics dresses and hair perfectly. This award is dedicated to a NCC member, who like Sue, embodies the item of aesthetics, who not only performs beautifully on stage but works at class every week with grace and poise, appreciating the music, feeling and beauty of the item.

Club Girl

Awarded to a competing team member who consistently demonstrates the highest level of dedication, service, endeavour and commitment to NCC. Someone who represents the true club spirit, works to their potential, supports their own team and other teams, participates in club events, has a positive influence, and builds good rapport with team members and coaches.

Please Note: Refer to 2023 NCC Policies and Guidelines Handbook below for the Club Awards Policy to check eligibility.

NCC Club Recognition Awards

Life Membership

When a competing member receives recognition for 20 years of competing, the mother /guardian / carer of the competing member will receive Life Membership to Newport Calisthenics Club.

Service Award

Awarded to a competing member, volunteer, or parent/guardian of Newport Calisthenics Club. This award is given for exceptional and ongoing contribution to NCC and promoting the ideals that our club values, such as team spirit, respect, discipline, cooperation, dedication, commitment, and friendship.

In addition, the club may also present a Lifetime Loyalty Achievement Award, which is awarded to a life member who continues to contribute and support our club and the sport of calisthenics in a significant and ongoing way. This award is automatically awarded to members who participate for 20 years.

Members Years of Service

Newport Calisthenics Club believes it is important to award competing members for their years of service. For this reason, members will be awarded once they reach 5 years of service competing with Newport Calisthenics Club and then every 5 years after (i.e., 10 years, 15 years, 20 years).

Section Awards

Coaches Award

Nominated by the section coach, the coaches award is awarded to a member that displays positive team attributes.

Most Improved Award

Nominated by the section coach, the most improved award is awarded to a member who strives to continually improve by taking on corrections, feedback, continually learning new skills and technique.

Encouragement Award

Nominated by the section coach, the encouragement award is awarded to a member whose coaches can see a great deal of potential in and they consistently show a willingness to learn and practice each new skill until they master it.

Attendance Award

Awarded to a member who attends every class in the 2023 season.

Coaches will be taking attendance from the <u>27th of February</u>. For members who join the club after this date, attendance will be taken from the date of joining.

COMMUNICATION, FEEDBACK & ISSUES

The Committee, Coaches and Team Managers of NCC will communicate with parents/ guardians / members in the following ways:

- Newport BandApp (preferred and default method)
- Face to face
- > Text Message
- Phone Call

Club Newsletters are emailed to all members approximately once a month. If you wish to have this emailed to you, or if you require a hard copy, please contact the Secretary or let your Team Manager know.

Feedback and Suggestions

Your feedback and input is always welcomed and valued, provided it is constructive and respectful. If you wish to provide feedback or suggestions, please feel free to do so in the following ways:

- Talk to your Team Manager
- > Email the clubs Secretary admin@newportcc.com.au
- > Request to attend an NCC committee meeting
- We do ask that parents/guardians only speak to Coaches before or after lessons, however if your issue is not of a coaching nature please direct your concern to the Team Manager

Please refrain from raising issues on social media.

All feedback, suggestions, comments, problems and issues that are raised with the club are given serious consideration. We are a small club and value the relationships we have with families. Any information or feedback you provide is used in the decision-making process and as a guide for the club's continuous improvement process.

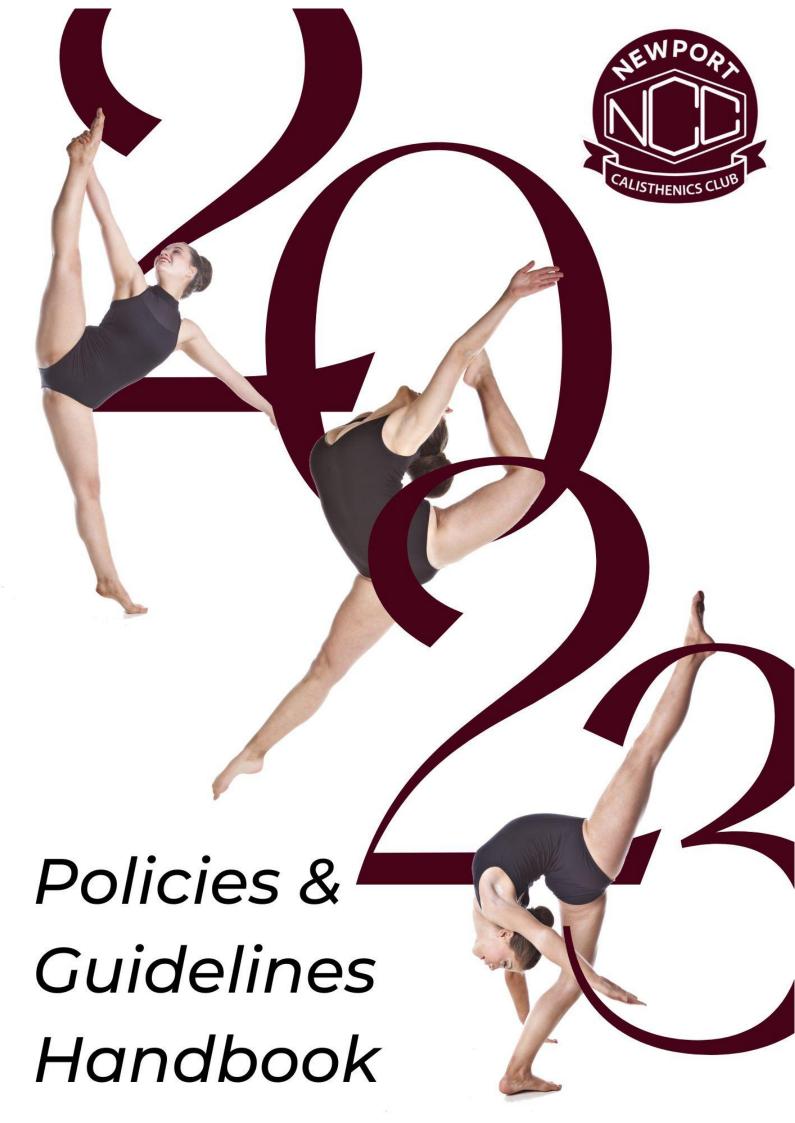
Grievances

Whilst we strive for positive and harmonious relations between all parties, unfortunately sometimes problems may arise. In this event, please follow the process below to ensure a prompt resolution:

- Discuss the problem/issue/event with your Team Manager in the first instance, and as soon as possible. Focus on the facts and how you would like the problem resolved. Aim to avoid personal or emotional attacks on another person/s. If you are dissatisfied with the response, or feel unable to approach the Team Manager, please contact the club's President and she will be happy to assist you. Please maintain strict confidentiality throughout each step in this process.
- 2. The Team Manager/President will address or investigate as required.
- 3. The Team Manager/President will notify the NCC Executive Committee immediately.
- 4. The NCC Executive Committee and the Team Manager (as appropriate) will investigate the complaint and determine the best course of action towards a resolution.
- 5. An NCC Executive Committee Member will contact the complainant and outline the resolution process within 14 days of the complaint being raised.
- 6. The Secretary will document the complaint, investigation process, resolution, and outcome, and keep on file.
- 7. The NCC committee will monitor the issue and ensure that the issue has been and remains finalised.

At all times we strive to resolve any grievance using a restorative justice approach.

Grievances can also be raised externally to the club, where appropriate and depending on the nature of the complaint. Members may at any time take serious complaints to appropriate external bodies such as the police, the Equal Opportunity Commission, Calisthenics Victoria or ACF.



POLICIES AND GUIDELINES HANDBOOK

Please see the Policies and Guidelines Handbook below which contains important information about NCC guidelines, policies and procedures.

Policies in the NCC Policies and Guidelines Handbook includes:

- Code of Conduct
- Social Media Policy
- Team Selection Policy
- Members Fees Policy
- Entry/Leaving Policy
- Club Awards Policy, and more

Please Note: All members, coaches, assistants, volunteers parents/guardians are required to read and sign the Code of Conduct and Fundraising Policy to confirm you have received a copy of the Newport Calisthenics Club Policies and Guidelines Handbook and agree to abide by the terms

CODE OF CONDUCT

A Code of Conduct is described as a set of statements set out by a Club and considered to be an acceptable standard of behaviour and conduct. These codes provide a guide and basis of expectation on how Newport Calisthenics Club expects its coaching team, committee, members and parents/guardians to behave.

Members

- > Be an active team member and represent the club with pride.
- > Attend all classes, additional practises and required team events (competitions, concerts, photo day etc.).
- > Contact the Coach or Team Manager if you are unable to attend class or competitions.
- > Wear appropriate clothing to class/practice (see information provided in this booklet).
- Wear hair up (in a bun, ponytail or similar).
- > Bring all necessary equipment to class each week (such as rod, club, aesthetic skirt, drink bottle, any required medication)
- > Care and respect the equipment provided to you.
- Arrive early to class and begin stretching/warming up.
- Practise at home regularly.
- > Show respect to teammates, coaches and the club at all times, including on social media
- Listen to your coach's instructions.
- Notify your coach of any injuries as they occur.
- > Keep costumes in good order and report any damage or loss immediately.
- > Wear appropriate club uniform (polo, jacket, black pants & black shoes) when representing the club at competitions and other events.
- > Be a good sport and treat other participants as you would like to be treated.
- > Respect the rights, dignity and worth of all participants regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background or religion.
- > Follow the rules, policies and guidelines of NCC, ACF and Calisthenics Victoria.
- > Remain with the club and give 100% to practises and competitions during the calisthenics season.
- > If you wish to leave NCC or calisthenics, do so after the competition season out of respect for your coaches and teammates.

Parents/Guardian's/Families

- > Familiarise yourself with all the information contained in this handbook.
- Let the coach do the coaching.
- > Assist and support your child to meet their responsibilities as outlined in this handbook
- > Focus on the effort, performance and development of your child.
- Ensure your child is present at class, practises, competitions and concerts on time, in the correct uniform/costume and with all the correct equipment.
- Notify the coach or Team Manager as soon as possible if your child can not attend and scheduled lessons, practises, rehearsals, concerts, competitions or camps.
- > Parents/Guardians are not to remain in the practice room unless asked to by the coach
- > Children are to be collected from the hall and may not walk alone to the car park after class.
- Encourage your child to practise at home regularly.
- Ensure your fees are paid on time.
- > Ensure all required costumes for your child are completed within the stipulated time frame.
- > Keep costumes in good order and report any damage or loss immediately.
- Encourage your child to stay with the club and give 100% until the end of the calisthenics season, out of respect for the coaches and teammates
- > Model respectful, positive behaviour to your children in person, on the phone and on social media.
- > Address other team Members, Coaches, Team Manager or Committee in an appropriate manner if any issues arise.
- > Treat your child the same irrespective of them winning or losing.
- > Remember that your child participates in the sport of Calisthenics for their enjoyment.
- > Look relaxed, calm and positive at class and at competitions.
- > Be there when your child performs poorly and be an understanding listener rather than a critic, judge and/or fixer.
- > Communicate with your child and ask them how they are really feeling about their Calisthenics and about competing.
- Emphasise the good things your child did in preparing for and during competition.
- > Follow the NCC Grievance process for guidance.
- Adhere to all Calisthenics Victoria, ACF and NCC rules, policies and guidelines.

Coaching Team

- Treat all participants with respect at all times.
- > Be honest, consistent and honour all promises and commitments, both verbal and written.
- > Provide feedback in a caring, sensitive manner by avoiding negative feedback.
- > Recognise participant's rights to consult with other coaches and advisors. Cooperate fully with other specialists.
- Treat all participants fairly within the context of their sporting activities, regardless of gender, race, origin, athletic potential, colour, sexual orientation, religion, political beliefs, socio-economic status and other conditions.
- > Encourage and facilitate participant's independence and responsibility for their own behaviour, performance, decisions and actions.
- > Involve the participants in decisions that affect them.
- > Determine, in consultation with participants and others, what information is confidential and respect that confidentiality.
- Encourage a climate of mutual support among your participants.
- > Refrain from any personal abuse, forms of harassment towards your section, committee and parents/guardians.
- > Encourage participants to respect one another and to expect respect for their worth and individuals regardless of their level of ability.
- At all times use appropriate training methods, which in the long term will benefit the participants and avoid those, which could be harmful.
- > Ensure that the tasks/training set are suitable for age, experience, ability, physical and psychological conditions of the participants.
- > Avoid situations with your participants that could be construed as compromising.
- > Actively discourage the use of performance enhancing drugs, the use of alcohol, and illegal substances.
- > Respect the fact that your goal as coach may not always be the same as that of the participant.
- > Aim for excellence based upon realistic goals and due consideration for the participant's growth and development.
- > Recognise individual differences in participants and always think of the participant's long-term best interests.
- > Set challenges for each participant which are both achievable and motivating.
- Act as a role model that promotes the positive aspects of the sport of calisthenics by maintaining the highest standards of personal conduct.
- > Project a favourable image of the sport of calisthenics and of coaching at all times.
- > Do not exploit any coaching relationship to further personal, political, or business interests at the expense of the participants.
- Obtain and maintain appropriate qualifications; keep up to date with the latest coaching practises rules and the principles of growth and development of all participants.
- Display control, respect and professionalism to all involved with the sport. This includes opponents, coaches, officials, adjudicators, administrators, parents/guardians and spectators.

Consequences for Breaches of Expected Behaviours and Code of Conduct

Failure by Members, Coaches, Assistant Coaches, Cadets, and/or Parent/Guardian to follow the above guidelines for Code of Conduct will not be tolerated. Newport Calisthenics Club Incorporated and the Executive Committee of the Club reserve the right to discipline any person who is in breach, in a manner that is deemed appropriate and fair.

Breaches may result in the following:

- > Verbal or written warnings.
- Suspension from the team/club for a specified period.
- > Removal of Coach, Assistant Coach, Cadet, or member permanently from the Team/Club.

Reporting the behaviour to an appropriate external organisation such as Calisthenics Victoria, ACF, or governing bodies as seen fit.

SOCIAL MEDIA POLICY

Electronic communication is essential for sharing club news and information with our members. Our communication will be timely, appropriate and related to club business.

We use a range of electronic tools to communicate with our members:

- ➢ Newport Calisthenics Club's website
- Social Media Sites Newport's BandApp
- ≻ Emails
- ≻ SMS

Our communication will protect members' privacy, and maintain clear boundaries

The Communication and Marketing Officer will provide accountability and control over material published on our club's website, and on all social media sites, such as Newport's BandApp, Facebook, TikTok, and Instagram.

Website

- Our website includes current information on class times, venues, competitions, social events, NCC Committee, handbooks, and the NCC constitution.
- > The website may include photos of both present and past members of the club.

SMS & Email

Committee members, coaches and Team Managers may use SMS and email to provide information about competition, training, club-sanctioned social events and other club business, however:

- SMS messages should be short and about club/team matters.
- > Email communication will be used when more information is required.
- > Communication involving children will be directed through their parents/guardians.

Social Media Sites / Pages

- Coaches and Assistants over the age of 18 cannot be "following" or be "friends" with any of their section's members under the age of 18 on social media platforms including but not limited to Facebook, Newport's BandApp, Youtube, TikTok, Instagram & Snapchat.
- > We treat all social media postings, blogs, status updates and tweets as 'public content'.
- > Postings (written, photos or videos) will be family-friendly and feature positive club news and events.
- > No personal information about our members will be disclosed.
- > No statements will be made that are misleading, false or likely to injure a person's reputation.
- > No statements will be made that might bring our club into disrepute.
- > Abusive, discriminatory, intimidating or offensive statements will not be tolerated.
- The Communication/Marketing Officer, section coaching team, and any other necessary Committee Members are to be included on the Newport's BandApp for communications.
- No other person/s other than NCC members, volunteers, coaches, and parent/guardians are to be added to Newport's BandApp Section Pages.

Electronic Communication

- Should be restricted to club matters.
- > Must not offend, discriminate, intimidate, humiliate or bully another person.
- > Must not be misleading, false or injure the reputation of another person.
- Should respect and maintain the privacy of members.
- > Do not engage in any inappropriate communications, as detailed in this document.

Must not bring the club into disrepute.

Coaches and others who work with children and young people must direct electronic communication through the child's parents/guardians.

- This means that if a Coach, Assistant, Team Manager, Committee Member, or the like needs to direct a message to a minor, the minors parents/guardians must be contacted.
- > Minors should not be messaged privately without parents/guardian's knowledge

Expectations

We expect our members to conduct themselves appropriately when using electronic communication and when sharing information with other members or when posting material on public websites connected to the club.

At no time can class recordings or recordings of stage rehearsals be posted on social media, websites or shared among others outside of the relevant section.

Non-Compliance

- > Offending posts will be removed and those responsible will be given a warning due to a breach of the NCC social media policy.
- > Should a person continue to breach the NCC social media policy they will be blocked from all NCC social media sites.
- Members may face disciplinary action for sending inappropriate electronic communication or for posting online content or comments that harass, offend, intimidate, or humiliate another member, as outlined in our member's protection policy and codes of conduct.
- Under certain circumstances, cyber bullying (e.g. bullying that is carried out through internet services such as email, chat rooms, discussion groups, instant messaging or website) is a criminal offence that can be reported to the police.
- Members who publish false or misleading comments about another person in the public domain (e.g. Facebook, Instagram, TikTok, Newport's BandApp, and YouTube) may be liable for defamation.

TEAM SELECTION POLICY

Our club supports an open and fair process for the selection of teams. Team selections are based on specific criteria with the aim to;

- > Form a consistent and fair framework for team selection
- Increase the competitiveness of NCC
- > Continue to deliver uniformity in team selections across all sections of our club
- > Continue to promote participation for all our members
- > Aim to provide an environment that nurtures and develops members of all ages
- > Ensure all members are informed and understand the selection criteria and processes before commencement of classes
- > Make fair and unbiased decisions based on the selection criteria
- To ensure that the selection policy applies equally to all members and that there is no discrimination based on race, sex, or religion
- > To maintain open lines of communication and cooperation between coaches, members, parents and committee

Criteria for Coaches

Selection decisions will be based mainly on performance; however, Coaches will also consider:

- Attendance at competition and practise
- Good sportsmanship (values)
- > Abiding by the NCC Constitution and NCC Handbooks
- Members may be precluded from selection if there is a concern about their ability to compete safely, or if their participation poses a risk to others.

Criteria for Members

- > Make yourself familiar with the selection criteria and clarify any concerns with the club prior to selections.
- > Talk with your coach about any concerns and seek feedback about how to improve your performance.
- > Must be financial members of the club
- Will be selected on their performance, cognitive development, physical ability, commitment, values and behaviour, not their personal characteristics or attributes (e.g. race, sexuality, religion)
- > Selectors will consist of section coaches and assistants
- As requested, or as necessary, members will be provided with reasons for non-selection and areas to improve in order to be considered for selection.
- > Coaches will be responsible for all decisions about team selection once the year commences.
- > Concerns about team selection should be discussed with section coaches in the first instance.
 - A formal written complaint to the NCC Executive Committee should be made if these concerns cannot be resolved and the member believes they have not been treated in accordance with the selection policy
- > A performer who is 16 years of age at 31st December, will be permitted to go up into the Senior section provided:
 - Written permission is obtained from Newport Callisthenics Club's Committee
 - \circ \qquad There is no provision for such performer to work in the Intermediate section
 - \circ $\hfill That such upgrading does not jeopardise the Intermediate section of the Club.$
 - If NCC does not have enough Intermediates to form a competitive team (A minimum of 5 members)

MEMBER FEE GUIDELINES

- For a new member who is joining NCC to cover an existing member's injury/ pregnancy during the season, fees must be paid in full by either the existing member or new member, and must be discussed and agreed upon by both parties. Whoever pays the fees will receive the Competition Medals, Club Awards and/or a Year of Service.
- > Fees must be paid in full by both members if they both wish to receive Competition Medals, Club Awards and/or a Year of Service.
- If a member chooses to join NCC, however, would like to reduce their suite of items, they will be required to pay CV and NCC registrations, and section fees in full.
- If a member joins at NCC to increase numbers for an item (e.g. to create two teams of 8 for clubs), they will be required to pay CV and NCC registrations, and section fees in full.
- If an NCC member is asked by the coach of the older section (e.g. a sub-junior is asked by juniors coach) to join an item, they will be required to pay the total competition expenses including but not limited to competition entry and costumes as stipulated by the treasurer.
- Please Note: A competitor or team cannot compete in two age sections in the same item Except Song & Dance, Calisthenic Revue and Dance Arrangement where a maximum of six competitors will be permitted to work up into an older age group on the proviso that the Intermediates working up into the Senior Section meet the Senior age requirement of 16 years.
- Any monies not paid by the 30th September 2023, will be considered overdue and will incur a 10% late fee (on monies owed only) at the close of the current year (31st December 2022). Members who are making regular payments and meeting their payment plan obligations will not be charged a late fee
- > Members who leave the club will be invoiced for any outstanding monies, including and not limited to member fees, costumes, equipment, and materials.

Outstanding Fees and Financial Difficulty

Please contact the Treasurer via email treasurer@newportcc.com.au regarding a payment plan option, if you are experiencing financial difficulty. All matters regarding fee payments are private and only discussed with the Treasurer (President and Secretary if required). A payment plan can be established so alternative and appropriate repayments can be made.

Please Note: If fees are NOT paid by the 30th of September and no payment plan has been agreed with the Treasurer, members will NOT be eligible for years of service, nominated for Perpetual trophies or awards and will not receive medals until fees are paid in full.

Members with outstanding fees are unable to participate as an active member or committee member for the following year.

ENTRY/LEAVING POLICY

Late Entry

Newport Calisthenics Club will not accept new memberships after the 28th March 2023 unless agreed upon by the section coach. If you would like to join NCC after this date, please contact the club secretary via email: admin@newportcc.com.au

The CV Registration Fee, and NCC Membership Fees are all required to be **paid in full by the 30th September 2023.** This is because fees are not based on a weekly cost, but an overall yearly cost divided into instalments to distribute expenses for members.

Any new members who join NCC to cover an existing member's injury/pregnancy must approach the committee with the section coach and seek approval to join.

For a new member who is joining NCC to cover an existing member's injury/ pregnancy during the season, fees must be paid in full by either the existing member or new member, and must be discussed and agreed upon by both parties. Whoever pays the fees will receive the Competition Medals, Club Awards and/or a Year of Service.

> Fees must be paid in full by both members if they both wish to receive Competition Medals, Club Awards and/or a Year of Service.

Leaving The Club

We understand that calisthenics may not be for everyone, We ask however, that before leaving the club you consider that this is a team sport and that we are all working together toward the common goal, to perform on stage at 4-5 competitions and also at our clubs annual concert, all of which are held from the start of July to the end of November each year.

All departing members must officially write to the NCC Secretary to notify the Club of their withdrawal of membership via email: admin@newportcc.com.au

It would be appreciated if departures could be timed (where possible) early in the season before the routines are set, or after the team has competed at competitions and the NCC Annual Concert. This will minimise the impact on the team and the Coach and would be greatly appreciated.

Please discuss any outstanding fees with the Treasurer prior to leaving the Club. All goods and items hired from the club must be returned in good order as decided by the Costume Coordinator.

Where members may have suffered an injury, or are pregnant and are unable to complete the season, please contact the Treasurer to finalise fees.

If the member/coach has had a replacement approved by committee, fees must be paid in full by either the existing member or new member, and must be discussed and agreed upon by both parties.

Whoever pays the fees will receive the Competition Medals, Club Awards and/or a Year of Service.

Fees must be paid in full by both members if they both wish to receive Competition Medals, Club Awards and/or a Year of Service.

All apparatus, equipment, costumes and property of the club must be returned on the day of departure.

Formula

The following formula will be used to determine any outstanding fees and costume costs;

- Total Fees / 40 weeks = weekly fee
- Weekly fee X Number of weeks attended = fee amount due
- Calculated fee amount due + costume costs* + other costs* = total amount payable

*Costume costs will be calculated based on **ALL** expenses incurred up to the date the NCC Secretary is officially notified in writing that the member is officially leaving, which are not included in the fee amount. All costs related to, but not limited to, sewing fees, materials, sheer, rhinestones, sequins, and more will be included in the formula.

Other costs include items which are outside of the annual fee breakdown or costume costs that the Club has paid on behalf of the member that need to be reimbursed on leaving the club.

CLUB AWARDS POLICY

To be awarded any award at NCC (Year of Service Award, Perpetual Trophy, Attendance Award, Most Improved Award, or Coaches Award), a competing member must:

- > Be registered with Calisthenics Victoria for the current year in question.
 - All Fees are to be paid in full by 30th September 2023, and in line with the NCC Fees Policy.
 - Section costs to be paid in full (i.e. fancy item costume, costs associated with Ballarat, etc.)
 - Member to have attended **all** competitions in the respective year
- Member to attend weekly classes and extra classes as stipulated by section coach (not miss in excess of 5 classes excluding Attendance Award)
 - Should more than 5 classes be missed the member would not be eligible for a club award or service year

Year of Service Award

In the event a member is injured during a calisthenics year and it is medically confirmed that they are unable to compete for the remainder of the calisthenics year, the following will apply regarding their eligibility:

- > Must be registered with Calisthenics Victoria for the year in question
- > A Medical Certificate/letter to be submitted to Committee
- > All Fees are to be paid in full by 28th August 2022, and in line with the NCC Fees Policy
- > Member continues to attend class as a team member (no participation)
- > Section costs to be paid in full (i.e. fancy item costume, costs associated with Ballarat, etc.)
- > To have complied with NCC's Fundraising Policy
- > Member attends compulsory NCC events and activities

With all the above carefully measured the Club will consider and grant the member a year of service where applicable.

Attendance Award

You must have attended **all** classes from the <u>27th of February</u> or date of joining if you begin after this date, to be eligible for an Attendance Award.

Perpetual Trophy

A member is unable to win the same perpetual trophy twice within a 5-year period.