

Huddle Up! Junior and Senior – Sport and Recreation Volunteer

ABOUT US

Born out of the role and value of sport and the influence the North Melbourne Kangaroos plays in connecting people across different ages, genders, and cultures; The Huddle was established in 2010 as the community arm of the Club in partnership with the Scanlon Foundation and the Australian Multicultural Foundation.

It was established to engage, support, and empower young people to build on their strengths, increase their ability to participate in society and contribute to more socially inclusive communities. The Huddle works with some of the most iconic sporting clubs in the world to help young people learn, grow, and belong. Through the design of its innovative programs, The Huddle leverages the power of sport to strengthen social inclusion, education, and careers for young people.

ABOUT THE ROLE

The Huddle's sport and recreation programs, Huddle Up! - Junior and Senior is a free drop-in sports program for kids aged 5-12 and 12-25.

Huddle Up! - Junior and Senior aims to get young kids and people active and gives them the opportunity to try different sports that they potentially wouldn't have the opportunity to participate in. The program is designed around the needs of the participants and ensures a safe and active environment where kids can play sport, have fun, and engage with others in the community.

Position Overview

Volunteers assist in the delivery of the Huddle Up! Junior and Senior sports program. Volunteers contribute to running sporting sessions while building positive relationships with participants through active engagement. Volunteers contribute to an engaging, respectful, and inclusive space, where all participants feel safe and valued.

Responsibilities and Duties

- Assist in the delivery of practical sessions and actively join in when required
- Assist in the set up and pack down of equipment and venue
- Act as a positive role model and actively encourage young people to reach their potential through sport and recreation
- Build positive relationships with young people while acting professionally and appropriately
- Liaise with the Community Sport and Recreation Coordinator regarding participants' needs
- Attend agreed shifts, and in cases where this is not possible, communicate your non-attendance with the Community Sport and Recreation Coordinator
- Commit to attending one session per week during the school term



Skills and Attributes

Essential:

- Keen interest and/or background in sport and recreation/general physical activity
- Well-developed interpersonal and communication skills
- Ability to develop a rapport with young people and act as a positive role model
- Reliable and punctual
- An enthusiastic and positive attitude in activities and sporting programs
- · Sense of initiative and ability to work well in a team with other staff and volunteers

Desired:

- Experience with community sport activities or coaching
- Experience working with young people from diverse cultural and socio-economic backgrounds
- First Aid and/or Defibrillator/CPR accreditation

Volunteer Shifts and Commitment

Huddle Up! Junior and Senior runs at these venues during the following days and times, during the school terms.

Huddle Up! Junior

Monday: Debney Meadows, Flemington – 4-5pm

• Wednesday: Wingate Avenue Community Centre, Ascot Vale – 4-5pm

• Thursday: JJ Holland Park, Kensington – 4-5pm

Huddle Up! Senior

Monday: Werribee Secondary - 3:15pm – 5:15pm

Tuesday: North Melbourne Recreation Centre (Women's Only) – 4-5pm

Tuesday: Manor Lakes College – 3-5pm

• Wednesday: The Grange College (Women's Only) - 3-5pm

• Thursday: Point Cook Senior – 3-5:30pm

• Friday: Eagle Stadium (Werribee) – 4:30-8pm

What The Huddle Can Offer Its Volunteers

- The opportunity to engage with your community and meet people from different backgrounds, contribute to the growth and development of young people and develop your own skills
- 30% discount at the Roo Shop
- A resume reference, when you have been volunteering with us regularly over a reasonable period of time
- Experience in the not-for-profit sector

Application Conditions

- Volunteer applications will undergo a selection process including interview, reference check, Working with Children Check and proof of COVID-19 Vaccination. Any position is subject to satisfactory checks.
- To participate in an induction and training session upon acceptance
- Be over the age of 18.

Interested? Please register your interest via the volunteer application link and our Head of Volunteers will be in touch https://thehuddle.secure.force.com/r/volunteerapplication



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The North Melbourne Kangaroos and The Huddle strive to be the AFL's most inclusive, accessible, and united organisations. Our value of 'Belonging' means we embrace people from all walks of life and respect each other's opinions and capabilities. We are committed to providing a working environment that embraces and values diversity and inclusion. All employment decisions at The Huddle are based on business needs, job requirements and individual qualifications, without regard to age, disability, gender, or gender identity, marital or parental status, political or religious beliefs, race, or sexual orientation. The Kangaroos and The Huddle will not tolerate discrimination or harassment based on any of these characteristics.