NORTHERN METROPOLITAN REGION PRIMARY
BOYS/MIXED & GIRLS SOFTBALL FINALS



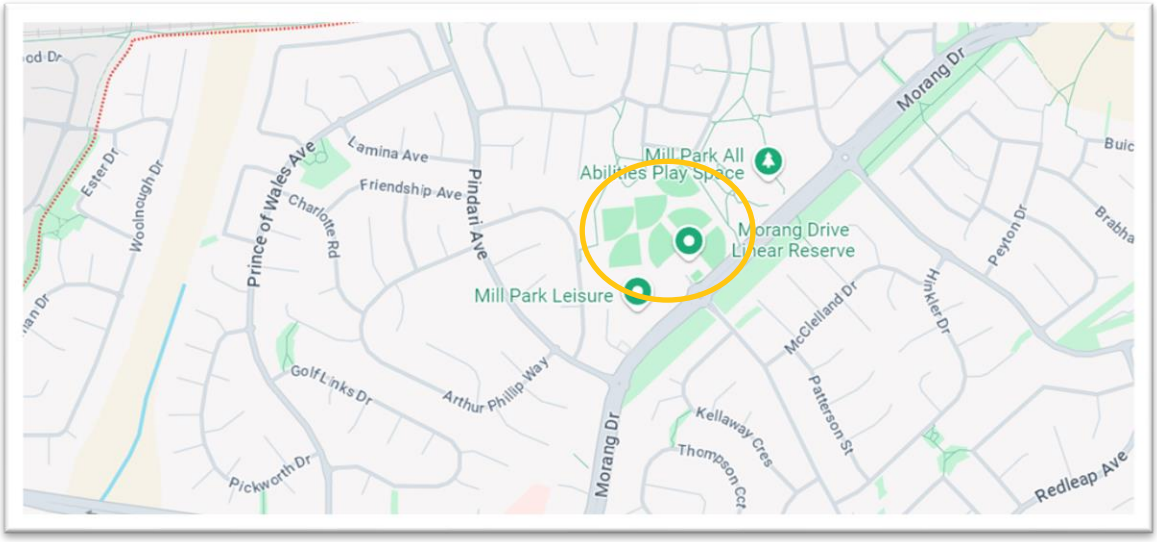
Venue: Mill Park Diamonds
41 Morang Dr, Mill Park VIC 3082

When: **Wednesday 11th November 2026**
9:45am – 2:15pm

Convenor: Iain Ross
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Event briefing: **9:45am sharp**

This fixture is subject to change if schools are running late or withdraw from competition etc.



TEAM SIZE

- **A team consists of max. twelve (12) players per game**. Due to time constraints, a team can only bat through nine (9) players before their innings is called to an end. Only nine (9) players are permitted to field at any one time. If teams extend on these numbers e.g. 13+ they can swap players in and out for the next round of play although only 12 max. can play for that game.
- **Teams can substitute players at any time**. A substituted player may return to the field at any time.
- **Teams who use substitutions as a time-wasting tactic** will be warned by the umpire, and further consequences, should this behaviour continue, can be judged by the umpire and/or convenor.
- **A completed team sheet** (endorsed by the school's principal or their representative) must be submitted **via email** to the NMR Primary Coordinator via email (wayne.schultz@education.vic.gov.au) **no later than the day before the event, or a hard copy handed to the convenor before commencement of play.** If not provided, the teacher/coach will need to complete a team sheet manually prior to their team being able to play.

COMPETITION STRUCTURE

- A preliminary round-robin stage will consist of 2 pools of 3 schools- each school will play two matches.
  - Top team from each pool will qualify for the Grand Final.
  - Runners up from each pool (2nd place) will qualify for the 3rd place playoff.
  - 3rd place from each pool will qualify for the 5th place playoff.
- Points will be allowed for the Round Robin matches as follows: 4 points for a win, 2 points for a draw and 0 points for a loss.

- If, at the end of the round robin, two teams are equal on points, then the winner of the face-to-face match will be declared the winner.
  - If their face-to-face match was a draw, then percentage from all their games will be used to determine the winner ('run for'/'runs against,' or 'runs +'/'runs –')

  - If more than two teams are tied on points, percentage from the matches involving the other tied teams will be calculated to determine the winner.
- If a finals game is tied at the end of 3rd innings, or 50 minutes; a tie-breaker innings will be played as per the Fully Loaded Softball Rules.
- If a Round 1 pool match is a draw, then the **team leading at the end of the first innings** will receive the bye for Round 2. If runs were equal at the end of the first innings, then the team **leading at the end of the 2nd innings** will receive the bye. If this was also equal, teams will 'rock off' to decide who receives the bye.

MATCH CONDITIONS & RULES

- **All matches will be 50 minutes in duration, or 3 innings completed**; whichever comes first.
- A minimum of **2 innings** must be completed to constitute a game.
- **A completed innings** is when both teams have had **all their batters' bat all the way through**. At the end of a completed innings both teams will have had equal chances to score runs.
- An innings is completed once **all batters have had 'at bat.'** The number of outs will not bring an innings to an end.
- If time has elapsed, and an uneven number of innings have been completed, scores will be reverted to the end of the **last equal completed innings**.
- If time has elapsed, and an innings is in progress, that innings **will be completed** if it will affect the outcome of the match.
- The playing schedule can be adjusted on the day by the convenor based on diamond availability.
- Softball is conducted under the Fully Loaded Softball Rules.

GIRLS PLAYING IN BOYS/MIXED

- A girl cannot play in a girls' team and a boys/mixed team in the same sport within the same calendar year. The stream of competition competed in at District level should be carried through to Division, Region, and State.
- **Team sheets are reviewed by the event convenor, and Region Coordinator. Teams to be found in breach of this rule may face consequences, including disqualification.**

EQUIPMENT AND OFFICIALS

All schools/teams participating in the NMR Boys/Mixed & Girls Softball Finals will need to provide:

- **All equipment necessary for their team to compete is *Fully Loaded Softball equipment***, including bats, warm up balls, full catchers gear (including face mask, throat guard, chest plate- leg guards are optional), gloves, batting helmets and any other safety equipment.
- **Bases** (Throw down thin rubber bases can be used)
- **All teams must bring and provide a strike zone mat.**
- **1x new match ball** *(The 11" Easton Softcore ball or Ausport Primary Softball Synthetic leather softball, with SOFT polycore centre)*
- **Warm up balls** (if schools choose too)
- **1x competent scorer/timekeeper & score sheets**
- **1x first aid kit** (and any asthma/EpiPen's as required)
- **Referees will be provided by P.E Sports Specialists**- we thank PESS for their support.

DRESS

- Teams are **encouraged to wear a uniform, or school sport uniform**, to be easily identified by umpires during games.
- Shoes with metal cleats or spikes **cannot be worn**.

FIRST AID

- First Aid will be provided.
- Schools must bring **their own first aid kits for bus travel and to further support first aid on the day**. Schools must bring their own ice packs to the event.
- If required, schools must bring their own student's EpiPen's and asthma kits to the event. Schools are responsible for their own student's anaphylaxis and asthma equipment and cannot rely on event first aid resources for these instances.
- Any strapping or taping requirements will be the players responsibility to have complete prior to game time. There will be no provisions for strapping and/or taping from event management.

STATE FINALS INFORMATION

- The winner of the Grand Final in the Boys/Mixed competition and the top of the ladder in the Girls fixture after everyone has played everyone will be awarded the Champions pennant and qualify as the NMR representative at the State Championships.

Best wishes to all schools competing at the NMR Primary Boys/Mixed & Girls Softball Finals,

Wayne Schultz | SSV Northern Metropolitan Region Primary Coordinator
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BOYS/MIXED FINALS

POOL A		
1. Wildcard Position	**2. Banyule Division**	**3. Inner North Merri-bek Division**
School:	School: Viewbank	School: Pascoe Vale North PS
Round	**Match Time**	**Teams**
1	10.00am	Hume Anglican vs. Viewbank
2	11:05am	Pascoe Vale North vs. Loser of Round 1
3	12:10pm	Winner of Round 1 vs. Bye with Round 1
15-minute break between rounds		
POOL B		
4. Darebin Division	**5. Whittlesea Division**	**6. Nillumbik Division**
School: Westgarth PS	School: Hazel Glen	School: Apollo Parkways
Round	**Match Time**	**Teams**
1	10.00am	Westgarth PS vs. Apollo Parkways
2	11:05am	Hazel Glen vs. Loser of Round 1
3	12:10pm	Winner of Round 1 vs. Bye with Round 1
15-minute break between rounds		
FINALS		
Grand Final	1:15pm	1st Place Pool A vs. 1st Place Pool B
3rd Place Playoff	1:15pm	2nd Place Pool A vs. 2nd Place Pool B
5th Place Playoff	1:15pm	3rd Place Pool A vs. 3rd Place Pool B

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GIRLS FINALS

POOL A		
1. Wildcard Position	**2. Banyule Division**	**3. Inner North Merri-bek Division**
School: Coburg North PS	School: Heidelberg	School: Pascoe Vale North PS
Round	**Match Time**	**Teams**
1	10.00am	Coburg North vs. Pascoe Vale North
2	11:05am	Heidelberg vs. Loser of Round 1
3	12:10pm	Winner of Round 1 vs. Bye with Round 1
15-minute break between rounds		
POOL B		
4. Whittlesea Division	**5. Nillumbik Division**	**6. Wildcard Position**
School: Hazel Glen	School: Laurimar	School: Viewbank
Round	**Match Time**	**Teams**
1	10.00am	Hazel Glen vs. Laurimar
2	11:05am	Viewbank vs. Loser of Round 1
3	12:10pm	Winner of Round 1 vs. Bye with Round 1
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Wayne Schultz & Heath Yasunaga

NMR Coordinators

Iain Ross

NMR Softball Convenor

GO WELL!

On behalf of the Northern Metropolitan Region team, SSV wishes you all the very best in your event today & trust you have a quality experience.

REFLECTION

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One thing **I can** improve on:

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