



Introducing "Pickleball Future Stars" programme, an exciting new programme here at Elsternwick Park Tennis and Pickleball Centre designed to guide the next generation of pickleball enthusiasts and champions. This dynamic initiative is all about introducing young players to the exhilarating world of pickleball, a sport that combines elements of tennis, badminton, and table tennis. Our program focuses on teaching kids the fundamentals of the game, from proper paddle technique to court positioning, while emphasizing the values of sportsmanship, teamwork, and fair play. With certified instructors and a fun, engaging curriculum, "Pickleball Future Stars" is the perfect platform for kids to discover their passion for this rapidly growing sport and pave their way toward becoming the future stars of pickleball. Join us and be on the journey of training and competition for our young athletes, as we aim to create the pickleball champions of tomorrow!

With the continued fast growth of pickleball in Australia and the rest of the world there is no better time to start. The sport has started to see the emergence of professional leagues and tournaments, attracting top players and sponsors in the US and with Australia are close to doing the same. To add further excitement there is also a big push for pickleball to be introduced to the Olympics in 2023, Brisbane being the host city.

CRITERIA

Our Pickleball Future Stars have been picked as we see the potential in the player. Being involved in the programme, we ask that all players try 100% every session, respect everyone and have the best time playing this great sport. However, performance sports programmes are high intensity, need full dedication and a desire to be your best. This is essential for performance athletes to programme themselves to develop physical brilliants and mental toughness to succeed and reach the top.

COACHING

All players will be coached by our certified pickleball coach, Tina. Tina has a wealth of experience in both playing and coaching Pickleball. Tina was drafted into the first paid professional pickleball league. Tina is not just a coach but also a mentor, motivator, and source of inspiration for any player, who will guide and elevate them on their journey to become better players and individuals.

TRAINING

Once selected, our professional pickleball coaches will have a carefully planned out programme and structure to nurture players through all technical and tactical aspects of pickleball in a competitive environment. All players must train the following each week.

- 2 x 60 minute group coaching
- Weekly competition and/or match play
- 1 x 45 minute private (optional) but strongly recommended.

VISION

Pickleball Future Stars Programme's vision is to create a structured and supportive pathway for young talent to thrive in the sport. It would provide the resources, coaching, and opportunities necessary for these future stars to reach their full potential while upholding the fun and excitement of pickleball. EPTPC wants to become the coaching hub of Victoria for pickleball and we have visions of expanding our pickleball by increasing our number of courts, introducing more 'Pickleball Future Stars' programmes and providing funding from governing bodies.

GOAL

Very simple, to offer young talented athletes a professional pickleball training programme where it gives them an opportunity to become the best player they can be and reach the top.

Join us now at EPTPC and enjoy the journey of pickleball.

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