

BUDDY CLUBS

Association Manual 3.6

1 Introduction

The system of Buddy Clubs was introduced by the Association in 1993 to assist smaller clubs to compete on a more equitable footing in team competitions. This is particularly the case with relay competitions where small clubs are often unable to provide their members with opportunities to compete in their correct age class. The intention is to equalise to some extent the potential number of competitors available for team competitions in NSW club groupings.

Buddy Clubs shall not be considered an amalgamation for administrative purposes and all rights and obligations of affiliated clubs shall continue to rest with the individual clubs.

2 Allowable Combinations

Two affiliated clubs, whose total combined membership (excluding Associates) does not exceed 50 as at 31 December of the previous year, may elect to combine for the purposes of the team competitions detailed below.

At least one of the clubs must be a country club. For the purposes of this requirement IK and SH, which have a geographic area including parts of metropolitan Sydney, will be considered to be country clubs.

3 Advice to Association

Clubs wishing to be considered as Buddy Clubs for a competition year shall advise the Association in writing before 1 March of that year. The Secretary and President of both clubs shall sign such advice.

4 Competitions

Buddy Club arrangements shall only apply for the purpose of the following competitions:

NSW Relay Championships
QBIII Relays
Metro League.

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