



# **Preston Bullants**

**Amateur Football Club**

## **The Preston Bullants Amateur Football Club is seeking Under 19 & Senior Players for 2016**

Founded in 2009, the Preston Bullants Amateur Football Club (PBAFC) (formerly known as the Northern Bullants Amateurs (2009-10) and the Northern Blues Amateurs (2011-15) competes in Division 2 of the Victorian Amateur Football Association (VAFA).


We are based at W.R. Ruthven Reserve, Corner Albert Street & Malpas Street, Preston. The Club represents the fast growing northern corridor of Melbourne, offering people living in the area a chance to play for and support an amateur football team.

In the years prior to senior inception in 2013, the Club fielded an U18 Division 1 team in the VAFA in 2009-10 and an under 19's team in Division 3 in 2011 before fielding a team in the U19's Division 3 and Premier B Thirds competition in 2012.

The PBAFC has a strong culture aimed at providing the opportunity for young footballers to play with their friends in a safe, competitive and social environment.

**In 2016 the Players will wear our new jumper**



What the PBAFC Offers	Details
Young Playing Group	The Average Age of the PBAFC Senior Playing Group is 22.
Success	<p>2013 VAFA Division 4 Premiers 2014 VAFA Division 3 Premiers</p> <p>U19's played finals in 2009, 10, 11, 12, 13 &amp; 15 Seniors played finals in 2013, 14 &amp; 15</p> <p>Former PBJFC Player Dean Calcedo won the 2015 VAFA Division 2 Best &amp; Fairest.</p>
Strong Links with the Preston Bullants Junior Football Club ("PBJFC"), Northern Blues & Northern Socials Cricket Club	<p>The PBAFC has strong ties to the:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• PBJFC with the majority of PBAFC's current players playing junior football at the PBJFC; and</li> <li>• Northern Blues (VFL), with several players being given the opportunity to try out with their VFL squad each pre-season, and a number playing football for the VFL development side.</li> </ul> <p>PBJFC and the Northern Blues are sponsors of the Club.</p> <p>The Club also has a strong relationship with the Northern Socials Cricket Club who use the Ruthven Reserve during Cricket Season.</p>
Excellent Coaching	Senior Coach George Wakim was the 2014 VAFA Coach of the Year.
Opportunity to play Seniors	U19 Players who are physically ready and wish to play Seniors have the opportunity to do so.
Focus on Player Development	No Players are paid at PBAFC – all money raised goes to support the Club & Player development.
Qualified Trainers	<p>Qualified Trainers are in attendance Tuesday &amp; Thursday to assist with Injury Management and Strapping.</p> <p>Every Game has two Qualified Trainers in attendance.</p>
Brand New Purpose Built Clubrooms	<p>From November 2015 the Club will operate from its new Clubrooms at Ruthven Reserve.</p> 

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	<p>The new Clubrooms feature:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Undercover viewing area for spectators;</li> <li>• Fully stocked Canteen, with Beer, Wine &amp; Spirits for sale after the conclusion of the Seniors match; and</li> <li>• Social area.</li> </ul>
Social Events	The Club has a dedicated Social Coordinator and in 2016 will hold a number of Functions from its new Clubrooms and other venues.
Parental involvement	Parents are welcome and encouraged to attend and assist at games and to participate in Social Events.
Features of the VAFA Competition	<p>VAFA has a culture of hard but fair football with any inappropriate conduct dealt with strongly by an Independent Tribunal.</p> <p>No alcohol consumption is permitted during Games to ensure a family friendly and safe environment.</p>
Fees	<p>Fees for U19 Players are \$350 first season, and then \$230 for returning players and can be paid in instalments prior to Season commencement</p> <p>All new U19 Players will also receive a 50% discount if purchasing a Club Hoodie and/or Polo</p>

### Pre-season & further information

Pre-season commences Wednesday 18 November 6.15pm to 8pm @ Ruthven Reserve & thereafter at a venue TBA every Monday & Wednesday until 21 December and returning 20 January, 2016.

Suitable football gear & running shoes should be worn. Trainers will be available for strapping if required.

For further information regarding playing at PBAFC please do not hesitate to contact either:

Contact	Position	Mobile
George Wakim	Senior Coach	0427 122 228
Ian Parke	Football Operations Manager	0408 176 339
Jay Phelan	Senior Captain (ex PBJFC)	0450 415 124
Dean Calcedo	Former Senior Captain (ex PBJFC) & 2015 VAFA Division 2 Best & Fairest Winner	0402 630 957

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