

Dear players, parents and guardians,

Tarragindi Tigers FC is holding trials for the 2027 season and welcomes both returning and prospective players. Trials provide an opportunity for players to be assessed and placed in a team that best supports their development, enjoyment of football and long-term growth as a player

Our approach

At Tarragindi Tigers, every player is on their own development journey. We continuously support players who are technically confident and willing to develop, understand the game and enjoy playing creative, attacking football. Just as important as ability is attitude, so we look for players who are eager to learn, and we build our environment around discipline, respect, humility and teamwork.

We want every player to feel valued and supported, with a clear pathway to keep growing on and off the pitch. Through the trials process, we assess each player's current stage of development, game understanding, attitude and commitment, and seek to place them in an environment where they can thrive alongside players at a similar stage of development.

How trials work

Trials are used to assess players and determine the most appropriate team placement for the season. The teams listed below train twice per week and participate in an extended pre-season program.

Our aim is to nominate teams into the highest division that will provide both an appropriate level of competition and the best developmental outcomes for players. Team nominations and divisions may change following the completion of trials, based on team composition and player numbers.

Players trialling for these teams should be prepared to commit to two training sessions per week and regular match participation throughout the season.

Further opportunities

Players placed in one of these teams may also be offered further opportunities beyond weekly training and competition.

- **The Future:** Our player pathway program for selected players. The program runs one evening per week during Terms 2 and 3 and is led by our accredited coaches and Technical Director. Invitations are based on technical ability, game understanding, attitude and commitment to Club values.
- **Carnivals:** Selected players have the opportunity to represent the Club at various carnivals, including the Pacific Championships.
- **International Camps:** Selected players may participate in specialist development camps delivered by internationally recognised coaches. In 2026, the Club hosted camps led by a former FC Barcelona Residential Academy coach and an Ajax FC goalkeeping coach.
- **International Tournaments:** Selected players may have the opportunity to take part in overseas competitive tournaments and development experiences in Spain.

Trial details

Trials are open to all players in the age groups below, including age groups where the Club may not currently field a team that trains twice per week.

Players are expected to attend **both** trial sessions for their age group. If exceptional circumstances prevent attendance at one session, please notify the Technical Director prior to the trial session.

Age group	Teams trialling	Dates	Time
U8–U9 Boys and Girls	Boys: U8, U9 K1/K2 Girls: U8 Joey, U9 Joey	Friday 30 October Friday 6 November	5:00–6:00pm
U10–U12 Boys	U10 K1 and K2 U11 K1 and K2 U12 K1/K2	Friday 30 October Friday 6 November	6:00–7:00pm
U10–U13 Girls	U10 Joey U12 Bilby U13 MJL	Sunday 1 November Sunday 8 November	8:30–9:30am
U14–U16 Girls	U15 Div 1 U16 MJL	Sunday 1 November Sunday 8 November	9:30–11:00am
U13–U16 Boys	U13 Div 1 U14 MJL and Div 1 U16 Div 1	Sunday 1 November Sunday 8 November	4:00–5:30pm

To help ensure the trial process runs smoothly, players should:

- Arrive 15 minutes before their scheduled session.
- Wear appropriate football attire, including shin guards.
- Bring a named water bottle.
- Advise coaches of any medical conditions or injuries before the session.

Venue: Tarragindi Tigers Club, Esher St, Tarragindi

How to register: [Tarragindi Tigers Football Club](#)

Final team numbers and team structures will be determined following the completion of trials and may vary depending on registrations, player availability and overall squad composition.

Following the completion of the trial process, all participants will be notified of the outcome. Letters of offer will be issued and alternative placement information communicated at the same time.

If a player isn't selected

A team placement reflects where a player is currently in their football development journey. It is not a fixed judgement of a player's ability or future potential.

Players who are not placed in one of the teams listed below may still be considered for one of our Community teams that train once per week, subject to availability. Every player within the Club

continues to receive support from our coaches and Technical Director, with a focus on improving technical ability, game understanding, attitude and commitment to Club values.

Above all, our goal is to provide a positive, challenging and supportive environment where every player can enjoy football, continue to develop and reach their potential. We look forward to welcoming both returning and new players to our 2027 trials.

We look forward to seeing you at trials and if you have any questions, please contact me on the details below.

Kind regards,

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