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Information and Rules

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INTRODUCTION

Croydon and Districts Volleyball Association Inc. trading as Maroondah Volleyball (ARBN B1706816U) runs the Maroondah Volleyball League; the Maroondah Cobras Volleyball Club; Maroondah Eastern Institute of Volleyball (MEIV) and the Maroondah Volleyball Spikezone programs and the Maroondah Volleyball Tournament. The Maroondah Volleyball League is run on a Tuesday and Thursday nights, with an Open competition and a Women's competition on Tuesday nights and an Open competition on Thursday nights. Maroondah Cobras Volleyball Club training is on Tuesday and Thursday evenings and MEIV on Thursday evenings. Spikezone training for Juniors and State League Senior training is conducted on Thursday evenings.

In 2021 we started a Social Sundays program to cater for newcomers and others interested in social volleyball activities as well as an opportunity for training. This year we have introduced VolleyAll to cater for players of all abilities. This program runs on Thursday evenings.

The Association commenced with the opening of the Croydon Leisure Centre (now Aquahub) in July 1977. In that time, it has hosted an international match, a National Indoor Grand Prix event and a number of tournaments. The Maroondah Volleyball Tournament was established in 2016 as an annual event in the September school holidays.

In May 2019 Maroondah Volleyball moved to its new home, **Maroondah Nets**, at the HE Parker Reserve in Heathmont. The stadium, currently shared with netball, boasts six national standard volleyball courts. State League matches have been played at the stadium during school holidays since 2019.

This year we will again use two venues: our new home **Maroondah Nets**, in Heathmont and **The Rings** in Ringwood which we used last year.



THREE-DAY TOURNAMENT – Maroondah Volleyball Tournament

Sunday 10th September 2023 – Juniors

Saturday 17th and Sunday 18th September 2023 – Seniors

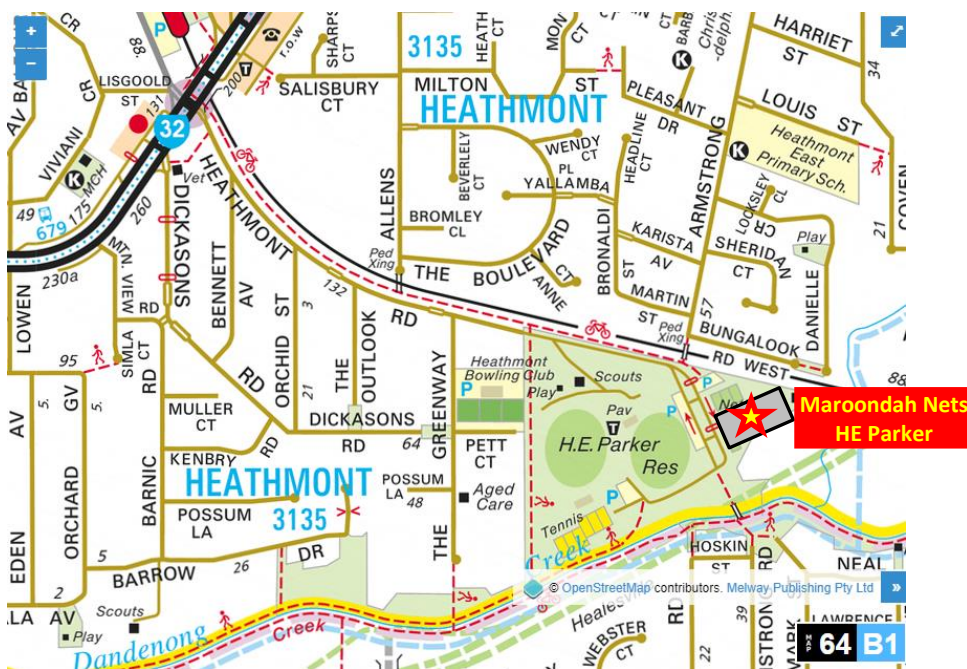
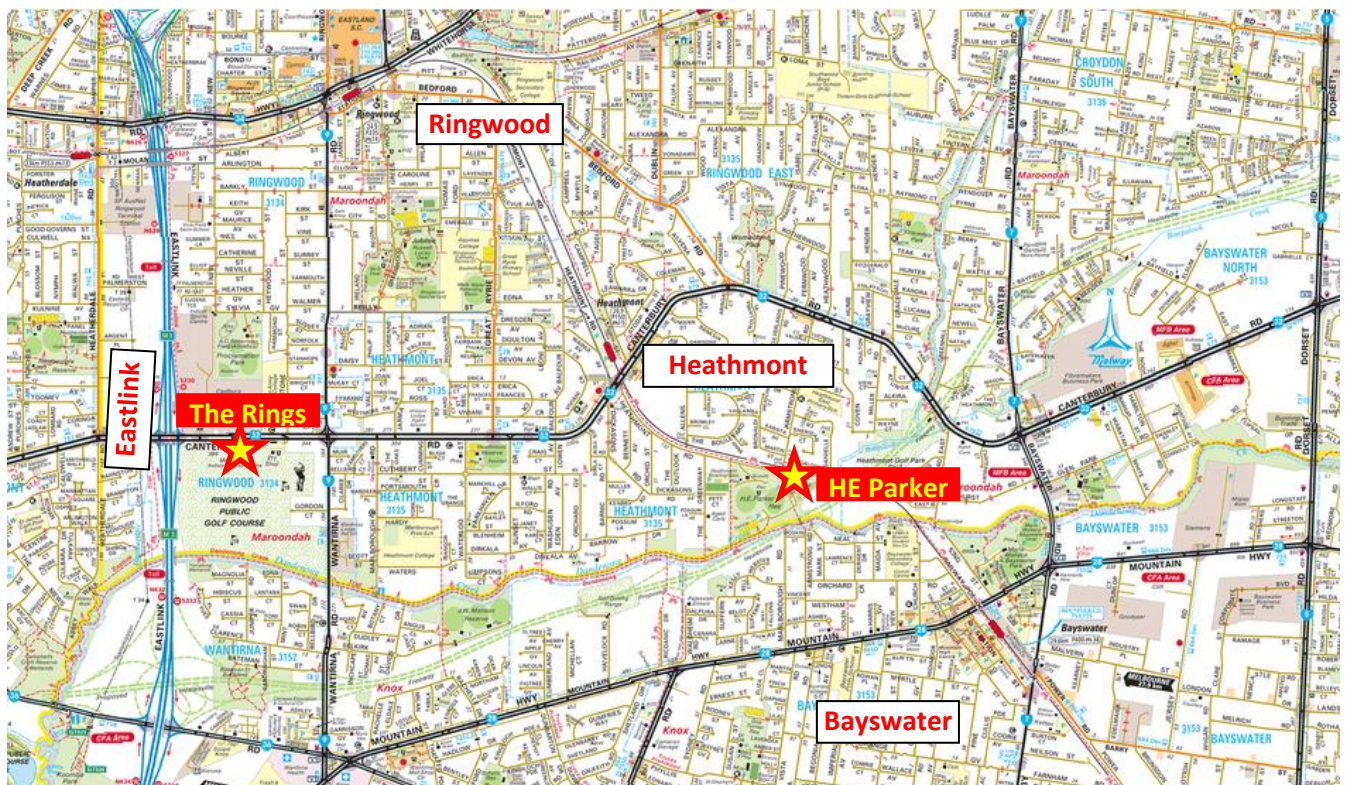
Venues:

Maroondah Nets - HE Parker Reserve
154 Heathmont Road, Heathmont

The Rings – 362-378 Canterbury Road, Ringwood
(Between Wantirna Road and Eastlink, Ringwood)

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The two stadiums are only 3.5 km apart.



1. GENERAL TOURNAMENT INFORMATION

1.1. DIVISIONS

MENS	WOMENS	MIXED	U17 Juniors
Honours	Honours	Division 1	Junior Boys
Division 1	Division 1	Division 2	Junior Girls – Div 1
Division 2	Division 2		Juniors Girls – Div 2

NOTES

1. All divisions shall play each other once, and then a top four system for finals.
2. Larger divisions shall be split into two pools, with the top 2 in each pool playing crossover finals.
3. Only women / girls may play in Women's divisions
4. Women players may play in Division 2 Men's
5. U17 teams must consist of players under the age of 17 at the time of the tournament.
6. Mixed teams must comprise of at least two (2) men and at least two (2) women on the court

1.2. UNIFORMS AND DRESS REGULATIONS

1. **All teams are expected to play in team uniform.** This uniform must include individually numbered tops and similar coloured shorts. Team members who are not in uniform will incur a penalty of 1 ladder point.
2. No jewellery may be worn during a match. This includes watches, rings, chains, and earrings. The wearing of hats or bandannas is not permitted both during a match or while performing duty for a match.
3. Clothing required for religious purposes is acceptable, but the Tournament Manager must be notified prior to the commencement of your game.

1.3. PLAYER ELIGIBILITY

1. Each player must have the appropriate level of personal registration with Volleyball Victoria or an equivalent State body. Player registrations will be checked on the weekend. If a player is found to be unregistered during the tournament, this will result in any match they participated in to be a forfeit.
2. Each player must abide by the age and gender requirements of the team for which they are nominated.
3. Players can register to their teams online prior to the tournament, and these names will be included on the score sheets.

1.4. PLAYING FOR TWO TEAMS

During the Tournament, a player may only play for one team in the Men's or Women's division but may also play in the Mixed division. The Fixtures have taken into account where teams/players have pre-nominated they are playing on two teams. If special circumstances warrant it (injuries/illness) a team may, on application to the Tournament Manager, request a player(s) move to another division. Normal eligibility rules apply.

1.5. WITHDRAWAL OF TEAMS

Any team withdrawing after the team entry closing date will be liable for the full registration fee.

2. INFORMATION & RESULTS DURING THE TOURNAMENT

2.1. SPORTSTG

Games and Results will be recorded on RevSport (as per State League and Maroondah Volleyball League).
<https://www.revolutionise.com.au/maroondahvolleyball>

2.2. AT THE STADIUM

Information, Results and Ladders will be available at the Competition Office at The Rings and Maroondah Nets.

3. MATCH CONDUCT

3.1. MATCH TIMES / HOURS OF COMMITMENT

1. Matches may be scheduled between 5pm Friday to 9pm Friday, 8am to 9pm (start times) on Saturday and between 8am and 6pm (start times) on Sunday.
2. The Tournament Manager or Chief Referee reserves the right to extend or amend playing hours as necessary in the overall interest of the tournament.
3. Matches are to start at the scheduled time (on the hour) allowing for 50 minutes of match time and 10 minutes between matches.
4. If a team is late for the start of the match it will forfeit the first set 0-25. If it is another five minutes late it will forfeit the second set 0-25. If it is a further five minutes late it will forfeit the third set and the match. The team score shall be 0-3 sets and 0-75 points.
5. Teams may warmup on the match court in the 10 minutes interval between matches.
6. Entry to the stadium will be available 10 minutes prior to the first game of each day.

3.2. PROTEST RESOLUTION

1. Protests will be resolved by the Chief Referee and/or the Tournament Manager. Their resolution will be immediate, and the match will resume as directed by the Chief Referee. The match will not be replayed. If a protest is upheld the match will resume immediately. If the protest is rejected the team captain will be sanctioned with a yellow card (Delay Penalty) and the game will resume immediately.
2. If a second protest occurs by the same team during the same game and it is dismissed, the captain will be sanctioned with a red card thus removing him/her from the court for the rest of the current set. The game will resume immediately.

3.3. DUTY

1. All participating teams will be rostered for duty at times close to their scheduled playing times as the fixture permits.
2. Teams on duty must provide a first referee, second referee, a scorer and two lines people.
3. If the duty team is not complete as stated in 2. above it will incur a penalty of 2 ladder points
4. The duty team must be ready to perform its duty at the start of the scheduled match.
5. If the duty team is late for its scheduled match above, it will incur a penalty of 2 ladder points. The late start should be recorded on the scoresheet and signed by both playing team captains. The complaint should be brought to the attention of the Tournament Manager or Chief Referee as soon as possible.
6. The duty team must return the ball and completed scoresheet to the Chief Referee or Tournament Office at the completion of the match.
7. The Tournament Manager and other event officials will monitor duty violations.
8. The Tournament Manager has the authority to issue an infringement at his/her discretion
9. All referees are required to provide their own whistle. Under health regulations whistles may NOT be borrowed.
10. Whilst acting as a referee, these persons fall under the control of the Chief Referee and his/her assistants.
11. Maroondah Volleyball will roster the first Referee for all Grand Finals, with the Duty Team still required to provide the second referee, scorer and lines people.

4. PLAYING CONDITIONS

4.1. RULES OF THE GAME

Except where explicitly stated, or limited by the venue playing conditions, the Rules of the Game, **Official Volleyball Rules, 2021-2024** (FIVB) shall apply. **Note:** New Rules to apply from 1 January 2022.

https://www.fivb.com/en/volleyball/thegame_glossary/officialrulesofthegames

4.2. MATCH DURATION

1. Matches will be time limited to 50 minutes with a planned 10-minute interval between matches.
2. All matches will start on the hour, or as deemed by the Chief referee.
3. Games will start and end on the sound of the siren. A rally will stop immediately on the siren.
4. In time limit matches, a late start to a game will amount to a loss of playing time. The game cannot proceed beyond the scheduled finishing time.
5. No substitutions or time-outs are permitted in the last two (2) minutes of playing time.
6. The interval between sets shall be no more than one (1) minute.
7. International Scoring System with best of 5 sets. Sets 1-4 are played to 25 points, with a 2 point advantage to win the set; set 5 is to 15, with a 2 point advantage to win the set.
8. In sets 1 to 4, a team must have at least 13 points with a 2-point advantage to win a set.
9. In the fifth set, a team must have at least 8 points with a 2-point advantage to win the set

4.3. GAME INTERRUPTIONS

1. If a ball enters a court from adjacent courts to interfere with play the referee will stop play and order a replay of the point.
2. Each team is entitled to two (2) time-outs per set. Time-outs shall not exceed 30 seconds
3. Substitutions should be completed so as to not unduly interrupt the game.
4. Substitutions by Libero players should not interrupt the flow of a game.
5. No time-outs or substitutions may be made in the last two (2) minutes of a time limit match.

4.4. NET HEIGHTS

Men's	2.43 metres
Women's	2.24 metres
Mixed	2.32 metres
Junior Boys – Div 1	2.32 metres
Junior Girls – Div 1	2.24 metres
Junior Girls – Div 2	2.15 metres

4.5. JUNIOR GIRLS DIVISION 2 SERVING POSITION

The Girls Junior teams may have one or more players that are completely new to the sport, or considerably younger than the other players on court. These players may be permitted to serve from within the service line by up to 1 metre.

1. These players must be identified on the scoresheet prior to the match (by circling the players name) and the referee notified of the player(s) and their jersey number.
2. To assist the referee, the player should line up ready to serve, no more than 1 metre forward of the serving line, and acknowledge the referee.

4.6. 12 SUBSTITUTION RULE

The 12 Substitution rule will apply in every set.

4.7. LIBERO

1. The Libero per Set rule will apply in every set.
2. The Libero player must be indicated on the rotation slip at the beginning of a set.
3. The Libero player in each set will be designated by the wearing of a bib or contrasting shirt, which does not need to have the player's playing number.

4.8. TEAM SIZE

1. Teams will commence each match with six (6) players.
2. Only players recorded on the scoresheet may enter the court and play in the match. Recorded players can be added up to the conclusion of the first set, at which point the scorer should strike-out the names of any players listed who are not participating in the match.
3. Teams failing to meet the minimum team size requirements in a set will incur a forfeit of that set.
4. Teams will not be penalised should players be injured during the course of the match causing the team to be reduced to five (5) players.
5. Teams may not be penalised should players be injured during the course of the tournament causing the team to be reduced to five (5) players. The decision will be at the discretion of the Chief Referee or Tournament Manager.
6. When the team is reduced to 5 players, the player in position No. 5 may be used as a front or backline player when the blank is rotated to the front line.
7. When the team is reduced to 5 players the blank shall forfeit the serve on its rotation.
8. If a team is reduced to less than five (5) players, it shall forfeit the remainder of the match. Any sets or points gained to that point shall count and the team recorded with a loss. Their opponent will be recorded with a 3 set, 75-point win.

4.9. FORFEIT SCORE

1. A set forfeit will be recorded as twenty-five (25) points to nil (0) in favour of the opponent.
2. A match forfeit will be recorded as three (3) sets to nil (0), seventy-five (75) points to nil (0)

4.10. PLAYER ELIGIBILITY

1. Teams which field an ineligible player(s) during a match will forfeit that match
2. Players will be deemed to be ineligible if they are not current financial registered members of Volleyball Victoria or they do not meet the player eligibility requirements outlined earlier in this document.

4.11. TOURNAMENT LADDER FORMAT

1. Match Points will be recorded as:

WIN	3 points	LOSS	1 point
DRAW	2 points	FORFEIT	0 points

2. In the event that two or more teams in a division are equal on points at the end of the preliminary rounds, then the higher placed team will be decided when the first of the following criteria, applied in order, favours one team:
 - a. TOTAL MATCH POINTS ACCRUED (i.e., matches won).
 - b. PERCENTAGE OF SETS WON.
 - c. PERCENTAGE OF POINTS WON.
 - d. If all of the above are equal, the result(s) between the teams in question shall be considered.

4.12. FINALS

1. All finals matches will be played as the best of three (3) sets with a 50 minute time limit. The first 2 sets will be played to 25, with an advantage of 2 points; while the deciding third set will be played to 15, with an advantage of 2 points.
2. In time limited finals, a match shall be deemed drawn (tied) if at the sound of the siren there is no clear winner by sets and, where applicable, points in the final deciding set (i.e. at least 8 points with a 2-point advantage)
3. If a game is tied at the end of the regulation time the game will continue in the deciding set until a team has reached at least 8 points, with an advantage of 2 points.
4. Where there are 3 or 4 teams in the division, the top team will proceed to the Grand Final and teams that are placed second and third will play-off for a position in the Grand Final.
5. Where there are more than 4 teams in the division, the top team will play the fourth for a position the Grand Final and teams that are placed second and third will play-off for a position in the Grand Final. Both winners will play the Grand Final.
6. Where there are more than 6 teams in the division which has been merged, the teams will be split into top 3 and second 3 (4th, 5th and 6th places) with finals played as per item 2.
7. To be eligible for finals, players must have played at least two (2) matches in the round robin competition of that division.

4.13. PROTEST RESOLUTION

1. Any disputes or protests that arise during a match shall be referred to the Chief Referee or Tournament Manager for immediate resolution.
2. Protests will be resolved by the Chief Referee and or Tournament Manager. Their resolution will be immediate, and the match will resume as directed by the Chief Referee. The match will not be replayed. If a protest is upheld the match will resume immediately. If the protest is rejected the team captain will be sanctioned with a yellow card (Delay Penalty) and the game will resume immediately.
3. If a second protest occurs by the same team during the same game and it is dismissed, the captain will be sanctioned with a red card thus removing him/her from the court for the rest of the current set. The game will resume immediately.

5. GENERAL POLICIES AND INFORMATION

5.1. FOOD and DRINK

It is a venue requirement that consumption of food and drink (with the exception of liquid in sealed sports drink bottles) is not permitted in the sports halls. Water must be contained in sealed sports drink bottles to limit the amount of water/liquid on the floor resulting from accidental spillage.

Water fountains are available throughout **Maroondah Nets** and **The Rings** for refilling water bottles. For health reasons the water fountains will not be available for direct drinking.

Maroondah Nets and **The Rings** have a Canteen on site which has a selection of: Hot Chips, Hotdogs, Pies, Sausage Rolls, Sandwiches, Chips, Lollies, Chocolate Bars, Hot and Cold drinks, including Sports Drinks.

5.2. NEARBY FACILITIES – Maroondah NETS; H.E. Parker Reserve, Heathmont

To get to the following nearby facilities it is necessary to return to Canterbury Road via Heathmont Road.

A short distance from **Maroondah Nets**, is the Heathmont Shopping Centre.

A short drive is the town centre of Ringwood with many shops and the Eastland Shopping Centre.

Alternatively, there are shops at nearby Bayswater and North Bayswater and further to the Knox Shopping Centre.

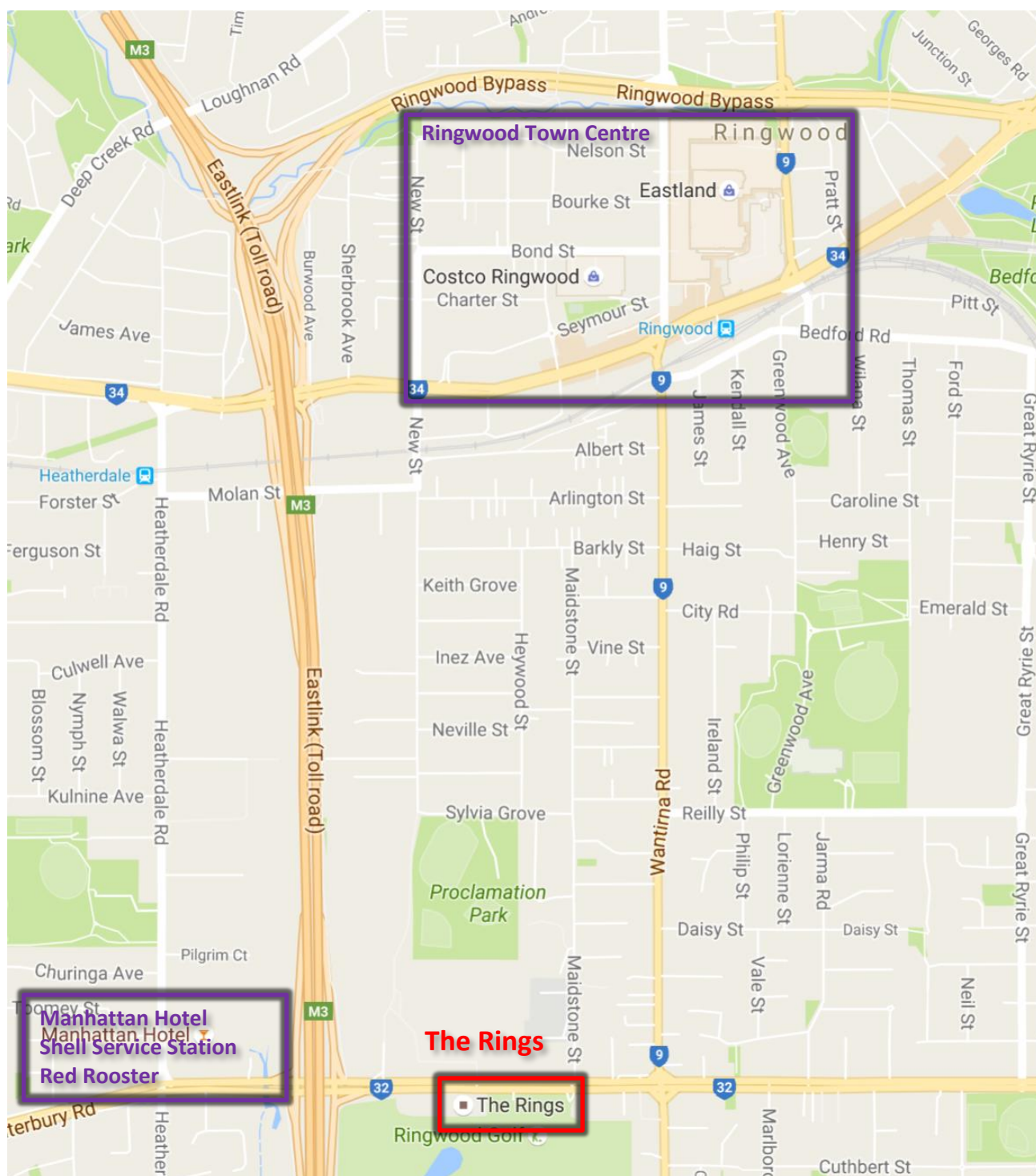
Shell petrol stations in North Bayswater and Bayswater.

Red Rooster and McDonalds are located in North Bayswater and the Bayswater Hotel is in Bayswater.



5.3. NEARBY FACILITIES – THE RINGS

A short distance from **The Rings**, is a Shell Service station, Red Rooster and The Manhattan Hotel. A short drive is the town centre of Ringwood with many shops and the Eastland Shopping Centre.



5.4. FIRST AID

A First Aid Practitioner will be present throughout the duration of the tournament

5.5. BLOOD

In keeping with current sports practice, matches cannot proceed if there is a bleeding player, or blood on balls or equipment. Should bleeding occur, the player will be removed from the game, as per the rules concerning an injured player, and cannot take their place on the court until there is no more

evidence of blood or bleeding. Matches will be halted until such time as all blood has been removed from the court/playing equipment. Any delay shall not cause the game to proceed beyond the the scheduled finishing time.

5.6. PLAYER CONDUCT

The current rules of the game provide for the match officials to contain incidents of unsportsmanlike behaviour before any penalties are given. When conduct is considered to be significantly bad – a penalty is awarded in the form of a yellow card. Should a player, coach or team management incur two yellow cards during the course of the event, they will be immediately suspended for the subsequent match. Suspension means the offending participant cannot be present in the playing hall or its viewing galleries or stands for the duration of the match.

5.7. CEREMONIES / MOST VALUABLE PLAYER (MVP)

1. Presentations will be scheduled at the conclusion of the grand final or play of each division.
2. A *'Most Valuable Player Award'* will be awarded to the most outstanding player in the finals in each division. The MVP is named after Noel Smith, a former mayor of The City of Croydon who the stadium at the Croydon Leisure Centre (now AquaHub) where CDVA/Maroondah has played since 1978. The generosity of committee member and treasurer, David Fuller is acknowledged for his donation to make these awards possible.

5.8. TOURNAMENT MANAGER AND VOLUNTEERS

The Maroondah Volleyball volunteers are identifiable by their grey and green Maroondah Volleyball shirts and will be found throughout the stadium and in the tournament office. The Maroondah Volleyball Officials will be identifiable by their hi-visibility orange vests.

6. CONTACT DETAILS: MAROONDAH VOLLEYBALL

Please do not hesitate to contact administration with any queries relating to Maroondah Volleyball.



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