

VET FRIENDLY CLUB PROGRAM

RUGBY CLUB PROFILE

Australia's only dedicated program assisting sporting clubs and veterans to join forces.

Both commit. Both benefit.

To apply for or confirm your participation in the Vet Friendly Club program, Rugby 1st require some background information so we can assist your Club and Veteran enquiries. Could you please return this form at your earliest convenience and Rugby 1st will be in contact to discuss how we can support your community support our Veterans.

While the accreditation process is simple and the Club-Veteran relationship remains one-to-one once established, VFC seeks to ensure each participating Club embraces the 5 C's: Culture, Compassion, Community, Capability, Commitment. Registering as a Club or Veteran is free.

Rugby Club Confirmation / Application Checklist

VFC Rugby Club Profiles should be emailed to alex@rugby1st.com and include the following attachments:

- Completed Rugby Club Profile
- Club Training Schedule – Days and Times
- Rugby Club Logo

For all enquiries or assistance contact:

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Rugby Club Profile & Training Schedule – we will not share the information you provide in this Profile with any third parties without your consent and will contact you if we believe it would be to your benefit. It is required purely to assist with Veteran enquiries and provide Rugby 1st / VFC with a snapshot of your community to better help us, help you.

Club Logo – we request that you provide us with your Club logo so this can be uploaded to our websites:

- Rugby 1st Website (VFC page) – Logo and VFC Liaison Officer Name
 - Email contact details will be embedded in our site and interested vets can email the VFC Liaison Officer with enquiries direct without this information being published. Rugby 1st will also receive notification of these enquiries.
- VFC Website – Logo / VFC Liaison Officer Name and Contact Mobile / Club Welcome (provided by you)
 - Veterans will be able to search their local Rugby Club by location, click on your logo and view your personal welcome.
 - Veterans will receive the VFC contact details will be embedded in our site and interested vets can email the VFC Liaison Officer with enquiries direct without this information being published.

Privacy

For full privacy terms and conditions, please view our website/s. Note:

- Rugby 1st website – Veterans must register general contact information (name/email) to access any secure Club enquiry form.
- VFC website – Veterans must register more detailed information (name/email/confirmation of location/participation timing information and areas of interest) to be able to access the direct contact information for VFC Liaison Officers. Copies of this information will be sent to the Club and VFC.
- Both Rugby 1st and VFC websites have secure spam filters.
- On both websites, Veterans will receive a confirmation email that they must acknowledge to log back in to the site and continue to research Clubs / access information.



General Rugby Club Information

Club Name		
Mailing Address		
General Email		
General Phone		
Home Ground		
Training Ground		
Club House YES/NO	Address:	
Membership Numbers	Playing:	Social:

Administration

Title	Name	Mobile Contact	Work Contact	Email
President/Chairman				
Secretary				
General Manager				
Club Coach				
Welfare Officer				

VFC Liaison Officer

As a condition of participating in the VFC program, we require each Club to appoint a dedicated VFC Liaison Officer as a point of contact for interested Vets and to assist with their introduction and ongoing involvement in your Club/community. Contact information will be provided on the Rugby 1st and VFC websites so Veterans can communicate directly with this Officer.

Title	Name	Mobile Contact	Work Contact	Email
VFC Liaison Officer				

Club Stats

Please supply some current information on the size of your community by applying relevant figures in the space below each category as/if applicable:

Juniors	Colts	Grade Players	Over 35's	Women
Vets	Military	Coaches	Managers	Medical

Please add any additional / applicable information you'd like us to know here (you can take as much space as required for additional information boxes and/or send attachments with your forms:



Club Sponsors and Supporters

Whether your Club is big or small, we know you'll value your sponsors and supporters and we want to make sure that we take this into account when we are planning support for you via Rugby 1st and/or VFC program supporters. We don't need to know the value or nature of their relationship with the Club, but we want to be mindful in our planning that your supporters are supported by us.

Please tell us / name your key Club sponsors and supporters, here:

RSL Sub-Branch Support

There's a lot that alignment with a local RSL sub-Branch can do to support your Rugby Club and your participation in the VFC program. If you're not currently in touch, we can help with that process:

Does the Club have a current relationship with an RSL sub-Branch?		
If YES, please provide the name of the sub-Branch and contact details	Sub-Branch Name	
	Contact Name	
	Email	
	Mobile	
If NO, are you happy for us to put you in contact with the Club's most relevant sub-Branch to offer assistance?		

How Rugby 1st and the Vet Friendly Club program, can help your Rugby Club

Finally, just a bit more information so we've got you on our radar and with the anticipated support from our partners, can help your Club:

Is or has your Club been linked to or involved with any Military or Veteran events or Programs?

- If you are planning events, please also provide date information here and let us know how we can help support your event.

Would your Club consider hosting a Veterans Open Day/s or an event to support your participation in the VFC program?

- If so, how could Rugby 1st / VFC best support you to help you manage, promote and make this a success?



Does your Club have any key Military people or current Service Men or Women as part of your community?

- If so, we'd value their opinions and you can include any background or contact information here so we can be in touch about how to best make VFC work with your Club.

Rugby 1st are actively seeking support for the VFC program and want to support your Club.
Please let us know if you'd be interested in any or all of the below and we'll be in touch.

	YES	NO	MAYBE
Rugby 1 st and VFC are working on providing Rugby Clubs in the VFC program with co-branded (Club/VFC/Rugby1st/Sponsor) Rugby equipment and gear – are you interested?			
If YES, what would best work for your Club? If NO or MAYBE, why?			
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If YES, what would best work for your Club? If NO or MAYBE, why?			
Rugby 1 st has a 12,000+ following on Facebook, a growing database and presence on LinkedIn and Instagram, and all these platforms are growing – are you interested in our support via our social media?			
If YES, what would best work for your Club? If NO or MAYBE, why?			
Is your Club interested in hosting training or accreditation events for Vets in Rugby and other social service activities?			
If YES, what would best work for your Club? If NO or MAYBE, why?			
Would your Club like to discuss Rugby 1 st hosting an event/s for you during the season that supports the VFC program and your community?			
If YES, what would best work for your Club? If NO or MAYBE, why?			

Thank you for your support of the Vet Friendly Club program.

At the core of the VFC is an understanding that transition from service to community is not always an easy process for the men and women who serve our Country. They often need, and would benefit greatly from, genuine encouragement and appreciation of their history, as they and their families navigate civilian life.

They deserve our understanding. They deserve our support. They deserve our acknowledgement. And, they deserve our welcome.

An accredited Vet Friendly Club commits to this understanding, support and acknowledgement while they welcome the contribution of Veterans into their Clubs and communities.