

## Mannering Park Amateur Sailing Club's Child Safe Commitment Statement

Mannering Park Amateur Sailing Club (MPASC) is committed to ensuring the safety and wellbeing of all Children and Young People (CYP) who are involved in MPASC.

MPASC has a zero-tolerance approach to any form of child abuse, and we are committed to ensuring that MPASC events are a safe and friendly environment for CYP. It is imperative that CYP who access our activities, programs, events, or services feel safe and supported.

MPASC Policies and Procedures aim to address risks to child safety and promote a Child Safe culture and practices in line with the **National Principles for Child Safe Organisations**.

We commit to making sure that everyone involved with MPASC, from our Executive Committee to all members and volunteers, parents, participants and visitors understand the important responsibilities they have in relation to child safety.

Our commitment extends beyond creating an environment that minimises risk and danger. We are committed to building an environment that is both child- safe and child-friendly.

We promote equity, respect, diversity and a Child Safe culture by;

- Actively anticipating CYP's diverse circumstances and responding effectively to those who additional vulnerabilities;
- Providing all CYP access to information, support and reporting processes.
- Empowering CYP to speak up and encouraging them to speak up about decisions that affect them.
- Creating a fun and positive environment for CYP to be involved in.
- Paying attention to the cultural and individual needs of CYP including CYP who are
  Aboriginal or Torres Strait islander, CYP with a disability, CYP who identify as LGBTIQ
  and CYP from a culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds.

Together we can provide an environment in which children feel respected, valued, and encouraged to reach their full potential.

The MPASC Board endorses the Child Safe commitment to keeping CYP safe from abuse and neglect.