

Off The Scoreboard

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The Committee welcomes you to the New Year & trust you all had a wonderful Xmas, & enjoyed the break. The new Season for the Big V. Competition will be commencing soon, so its goodbye to the break & into the busiest time of the year. The Coaches will be doing their Rosters for the coming season, so hopefully all clubs have paid their fees, so they can be placed onto the list for consideration.

SCHOOLS

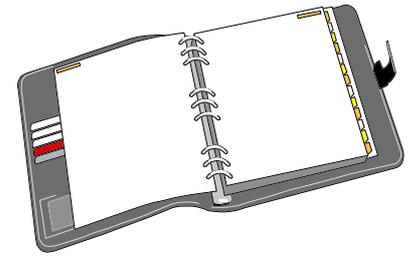
Schools will be held at the following venues :-

Level 1. 20th February Keilor Basketball Stadium, Stadium Drv, Keilor Ref. Mel. 15.D.4

Level 2. 6th March Broadmeadows Basketball Stadium, Dimboola Rd, Broadmeadows. Ref. Mel.6.D.7

*The cost for the Level 1 is \$29.00, being split into:- **Affiliation**, \$15.00, **Course** \$10.00, **Handbook** \$4.00. to be paid on the day.*

The cost for the Level 2 Course is \$10.00 All Level 2 candidates must produce their current 2005 membership card and must attend at 9.00am for approximately 5 hours. Carol Flint must be notified via the E.mail address or phone her on 5148 0362



Victorian Conveners Report

Once again I have to say the VBSA had a busy year. I say this every year, but it is true every year. In 2004 we had 540 members. With even more teams playing in the VBL that number will again have to increase to cover the games played in 2005.

I would like to extend my thanks to all the officials who volunteered for the Deaflympics in January. The Officials who assisted at the practice games deserve special thanks, they travelled all over Melbourne to get to the venues where the teams were having their practice games. Sue and Daryl (Coaches of men and women's teams) made a special "thank you" to me to pass onto you all. I always feel so proud when I receive the congratulations from visiting coaches and Team Liaison members on the ability and professionalism shown by the Victorian Scoretable Officials. Also "thank you" to Carol Flint for a job well done.

In September 2004 we applied to Basketball Victoria for a pay increase for Scoretable Officials, to this date we have not received a reply to our letter.

I have had some correspondence this year with Officials working at the MMBL games. The venue is to provide one qualified Scoretable Official and each team must have a competent person available. If the teams do not have these people then the first priority of the appointed Official is the Scoresheet, then the game clock, the shot clock and last the visuals. If all three people are working then the qualified Scoretable Official should work the shot clock. Under no circumstances is the Scoretable Official to try to work the game clock and the shot clock at the same time.

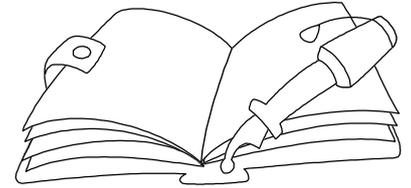
You will all have received the Points of Emphasis and changes to the Victorian Handbook. Please ensure you read these and make the changes to your Handbook. The Handbook must be taken to all games, with all Level 3 Officials carrying the Rule Book also.

We had a great Dinner in November at Henry's. You are missing a great night if you do not attend. The Darts Club are a lot of fun to mingle with. The date is the Saturday after the Melbourne Cup Tuesday, so put it into your Diary NOW.

All conveners should be in possession of the Rules of Management and the Level O course. If you do not have these please contact us on the VBSA email site, or ring me on 94572979.

Thank you all again for your work during 2004 and a special thank you to the Committee who again have worked hard to look after all your affairs.

Avis Scullin



EDUCATION REPORT

Another season is about to commence all though for some basketball never ended and won't until after the Commonwealth Games in March 2006.

You have all been mailed a current Points of Emphasis and new inclusions for your Handbook.

Handbooks must be completed as required. Coaches will be requesting to sight your handbook during the season.

*Please read through the Points of Emphasis **thoroughly** and implement as required.*

Some items to note:

- *One jump ball to start game.*
- *½ time procedure with alternating possession arrow.*
- *PRINT your name on the scoresheet.*
- *Timekeeper to sound buzzer twice.*
- *24 shot clock – jump ball procedure.*
- *Substitutes*
- *Technical fouls*
- *Unsportsmanlike fouls*

These are only some of the areas to be covered.

I cannot stress enough how important it is for you to read this document in conjunction with your new rules.

Direct any questions VBSA50@yahoo.com.

The coaches will be meeting soon to plan the calendar for evaluations in 2005.

We look forward to catching up with you all and let's all hope for a great year ahead.

Carol

XMAS DINNER

The end of year dinner at Henry's was a huge success!. The numbers were up, with 33 score table officials enjoying good food, good company and a great night out. Again we were joined by the local darts club, who as in previous years added to the fun of the evening. So, if you were not one of the lucky ones who celebrated in style, make a definite date to finish on a high note this year. Keep your eyes on the events reports for details,

cheers

Gail Dunlop

DEAFLYMPICS REPORT

The VBSA had 33 Technical Officials – Scoretable participate at the Deaflympics held at MSAC between 5th & 16th January 2005.

At the end of the Deaflympics high praise was received from the Technical Commissioners for Basketball that our people were very professional in their approach to the game, were always smiling and enjoying the experience of being a volunteer.

For basketball there were 9 days of competition, 63 games commencing at 9am with the last game (on most days) scheduled to start at 9pm. All games were played on the show court apart from 2 which were scheduled on one of the back courts. Long days!

All games were 4 person scoretables (Scorer, Assistant scorer, Timekeeper and Shot Clock) with a Technical Official also rostered.

The VBSA has now learnt to run a shot clock with 4 people. I'll let you in on the secret.

The games that were scheduled on the back court –shot clocks can not be used on this particular court – the Technical Commissioners and Coaches of the teams involved came up with -

- *One official using a clock that is used for counting down time-outs as the 24 shot clock (not visible to either team) with another person beside them complete with microphone to call (very loudly) when shot clock got down to 10 seconds then 5 seconds then zero. (The person watching this clock count down did not get to see any of game.) At the same time there was a scoretable official seated at either end of the court with a red flag – when the person on the microphone called 10 seconds they would raise their flag up above their heads when the call came for 5 seconds they would bring it down and hold out at waist level, when we hit zero it would drop all the way down and then be raised up and waved furiously. (hallelujah!!)*

Points to notice from these games

1. *It was noticeable at these games, that counting down of the game clock at end of each quarter is starting too late. If you commence your calling at approximately 5.5 seconds all will finish as it should.*
2. *Calling starting 5 and players coming into the game must be called in numerical order. A good practice to get into is to also call the players going out. The reason for this is if you are working a board that needs the players marked in then you need to know who is coming out. Calling should be one team at a time - colour, players in, players out.*

The VBSA along with Basketball Victoria successfully submitted a budget for Scoretable to the Deaflympics and this was agreed on which meant that all Scoretable Officials received a cheque for their services. These officials were not aware of this at anytime until receiving their cheques after the Deaflympics was over.

Thank you to Avis who produced a newsletter for Scoretable and Statisticians daily, this became the document to see every morning on arrival.

Finally to everyone who took part thank you for your cooperation and hard work.

Updated 01.03.05	<u>F.I.B.A.</u>	<u>ABA MEN SEABL & BIG V</u>	<u>ABA WOMEN SEABL & BIG V</u>	<u>VBL MEN</u>	<u>VBL WOMEN</u>	<u>MMBL WINTER</u>
MATCH BALL Use for warm-ups	Neither Team	Neither Team				
PLAYING TIME	4 X 10 Minute Quarters	4 x 12 Minute Quarters	4 x 10 Minute Quarters	4 x 12 Minute Quarters	4 x 10 Minute Quarters	4 x 10 Minute Quarters
TEAM UNIFORMS	Home team wears the light colour	Visiting Team changes. All numbers permitted	Visiting Team changes. All legal numbers permitted			
SCORESHEET	F.I.B.A.	F.I.B.A.	F.I.B.A.	F.I.B.A.	F.I.B.A.	F.I.B.A.
DIRECTIONAL DEVICE	To be used	To be used				
DELAY OF GAME	To Player/Team	To Player/Team				
TIME-OUT Request from	2 in first half, 3 in second half Coach or Assistant	2 in first half, 3 in second half Coach or Assistant	2 in first half, 3 in second half Coach or Assistant	2 in first half, 3 in second half Coach or Assistant	2 in first half, 3 in second half Coach or Assistant	2 in first half, 3 in second half Coach or Assistant
FOULS PER PLAYER PER TEAM BEFORE BONUS	5 each Player 4 per team	6 each Player 4 per team	5 per Player 4 per team	6 per Player 4 per team	5 per Player 4 per team	5 per Player 4 per team
SUBSTITUTION	As per rule book	As per Rule Book				
LAST TWO MINUTES OF GAME & EXTRA TIME	Clock stops on all baskets. Starts on live ball touched on court	Clock stops on all baskets. Starts on live ball touched on court	Clock stops on all baskets. Starts on live ball touched on court	Clock stops on all baskets. Starts on live ball touched on court	Clock stops on all baskets. Starts on live ball touched on court	Clock does not stop on made baskets
SCORETABLE QUALIFICATION	As specified	Chair should be 3 all others at 2	Chair should be 3 all others at 2	2 at Level 2, the rest at 1	2 at Level 2, the rest at 1	One Qualified, plus one competent from each team
SCORETABLE	4 Officials and TC	5 Officials	5 Officials	5 Officials	5 Officials	3 Officials